



PARNELL DISTRICT SCHOOL

Newsletter 10, 28 August 2021

Kia Ora Whanau,

Welcome back for term three, and another amazing term of focused learning for our students. This week we launch into our new inquiry 'Media'. Classes will be thinking like explorers, to understand the role the media plays in our lives, and how we can use tips and tricks to help make our messages strong and clear to our audience. We'll also be looking at the breadth of media around us, and exploring different ways to share our messages. I look forward to hearing about lots of dinner table conversations about media and the role it plays in our daily lives. Also closing in is our STEAM week in week 5, where children will revisit the scientific thinking we were doing in Term Two around earth systems, this time in a new and different context.

Friday is Red Nose day!

Parnell District School has a long and valued relationship with Cure Kids. Cure Kids is a charity that supports children with a variety of illnesses, and Red Nose Day helps raise money to fund research into childhood illnesses. Money raised in past Red Nose Days has funded research into childhood cancers, inherited heart conditions, epilepsy, infectious diseases, cystic fibrosis, adolescent mental health, and many other areas.

You can help!

We will be selling red noses to wear on Friday for red nose day! Every dollar you donate goes straight to cure kids to help fund their work. We have two kinds of noses for sale, with foam noses available for a minimum donation of \$2 each, or molded plastic noses for a minimum donation of \$4 each. You can donate as much as you'd like, and every cent helps cure kids in their work. Noses will be for sale from outside the admin block on Thursday afternoon, or on Friday morning. We have a limited number of noses, so get in quick to make sure you don't miss out!



Term time holidays

At Parnell District School we support families in providing rich, broad experiences to their children. At times, this means taking children out of school during term time. While we believe every learning minute counts, often these experiences broaden and enrich the background knowledge our children bring into their learning in class. We encourage families to make the most of any such trips, and beyond reading every night, leave the school work for when the children get back to school. Class teachers will not provide work for families in these circumstances. To request leave for your children, you can email enrolment@parnell.school.nz and let Kathy know when your children will be away, and the

purpose of the trip. Keeping us up to date also avoids extra calls from Darryl in the morning asking where you are!

Important Dates: Term Three

26/07	Term 3- Week 1, Inquiry focus 'Media'
30/07	Assembly Room 4
02/08	Week 2- PAT Testing
06/08	Assembly Room 13
09/08	Week 3
10/08	PTA Meeting
13/08	Cross Country
16/08	Week 4
19/08	Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle
20/08	Cross Country Save Date, Assembly Room 27
23/08	Week 5- STEAM, Zone Cross Country
25/08	New Entrant Transition Day
27/08	Assembly Room 11
30/08	Week 6- New Entrant Midterm starts , NIPS (30/8-02/09)
03/09	Celebration of Learning
06/09	Week 7
07/09	PTA Meeting
08/09	New Parent Breakfast, Parents movie night
10/09	Assembly Room 7
13/09	Week 8
15/09	Te Arawa Bakesale
17/09	ETAP Reports, Assembly Enviro
20/09	Week 9
24/09	Assembly Room 9
27/09	Week 10
29/09	Parent Helper Morning Tea
01/10	Assembly Te Arawa



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Hello everyone!

Welcome to term 3 at C4.

The school holiday programme was a huge success and several days were sold out! The children enjoyed a wide range of activities at school and two fun filled trips. Please remember to book early for the next school holiday programme!

After school classes start next week on Monday 2nd August and bookings need to be made by Friday 30th July.

Just to remind you:

Monday: Shine

Tuesday: Brain Play

Wednesday: Chess

Friday: Wynrs

C4 is going from strength to strength and is more popular than it's ever been! In order for us to ensure we have enough staff, supplies & food we ask that you book well in advance, preferably the week before and not in the weekend preceding the start of the week. I can't guarantee a booking will be confirmed if it's made less than 24 hours before a session begins.

Please get in touch with my anytime!

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COACHING PROGRAMME

Dear Parents,

Playing chess in school helps students achieve many learning outcomes faster and more effectively. Chess enables all students to shine and develop intellectually in a way they really enjoy. Playing chess develops self-confidence, concentration and problem-solving skills.

Put simply, chess makes kids smarter.

We are pleased to continue the Chess Coaching Programme at our school and look forward to bringing the excitement, competition and educational benefits of chess to your children.

Chess Power has been educating Chess in many schools in Auckland and across New Zealand. Our coaches are all professionally trained and accredited and our support systems are world-class.

WHAT HAPPENS IN A CHESS POWER COACHING PROGRAMME?

- ✓ Grow Kids Minds™!!
- ✓ Improve concentration and focus
- ✓ Develop important life skills - fair play and decision making
- ✓ Develop Tactical & Strategic thinking
- ✓ Prepare for Chess Tournaments against other schools
- ✓ Develop a love of chess, of learning and of thinking
- ✓ Play Chess Online safely and for free



Each session starts with a formal lesson; all players will learn a new strategy, idea or skill each week. Then they put those skills into practice with activities and games. All games are monitored and supervised by the coach who provides individual feedback along the way.

Throughout the programme, we reward kids that do well and encourage and support kids that are struggling. At completion of the programme, we recognise each child with a certificate based on their performance.

CLASS DETAILS

Sessions will be held weekly on Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:30 pm in Library starting Wednesday 4 August 2021. The last session will be held on Wednesday 22th September 2021. This is 8-weeks program.

REGISTRATION

If your child would like to be part of this for Term 3 please visit school's website and sign up:

<https://pds.aimyplus.com/>

TO LEARN MORE:

VISIT OUR WEBSITE WWW.CHESSPOWER.CO.NZ AND CLICK PARENTS CENTRE



AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL

2022 In Zone Enrolments

A reminder that In Zone enrolments for 2022 are now open. We encourage you to complete your online application as soon as possible. Please submit applications for Term 1 2022 by Friday 24 September 2021.

1) Go to the Auckland Grammar School website (www.ags.school.nz).



2) Click on 'Enrolment' (highlighted), then click on 'In Zone Enrolment' (the first option from the menu).



3) On the left-hand menu, click on '2022 Enrolments' (highlighted).



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