

Edendale Primary School

Kahu Team Newsletter Term 3 2018

Important dates

Fairy Tale Parade and Open Day -
25th September
Term 3 ends - 28th September

Our Learning

Room 16 making sandwiches and cutting them in half. We are using real life examples to help us understand fractions.

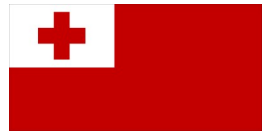


Independence

Thank you to all parents & whanau who are encouraging children to put their own bag and book bag away each morning. The Year 2 teachers have been working towards encouraging a greater sense of independence and problem solving ability to prepare our learners for Year 3, and beyond, when they will be expected to increasingly manage their own belongings.



Room 21 has been learning about 2D and 3D shapes. One of our challenges was to make a repeating pattern that started with a red circle and ended with a blue triangle.. Can you do it a different way?



MATHS

This term the classes have been studying Geometry. We have been learning about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes and have identified these shapes in 'real life'. Some children have been on a shape hunt around school! We have also looked at symmetry, rotation and tessellation. Ask your child if they know which way is clockwise and which way is anti clockwise? Hint for our children: Imagine there is a clock on the ground in front of you. Which way do the hands go around?



Room 17 have been creating their own tapa patterns. They have been translating, reflecting and rotating shapes to make eye catching art for Tongan Language Week.

This tapa design is by Emily in Room 17.

INQUIRY

We have been looking closely at fairy tales this term for our Inquiry. The children have made some great observations about the commonalities between different fairy tales. We noticed: fairy tales end with "happily ever after", there are always good characters and bad characters, fairy tales have a 'moral of the story'. We have discussed how the morals in the stories we have read are still relevant in our lives today. This discussion has sparked the children's imaginations and lead to some great writing, publishing and art.



LITERACY

We have tied our Inquiry in with our Literacy this term. The children have been learning about the structure of fairy tales to help them write their own narratives. The teachers have been so impressed with the creative ideas and enthusiasm from the Kahu children! They are showing increased understanding about how to entertain their audience, using speech marks, other punctuation and more interesting language. Please feel free to come in to class and ask your child to read one of their stories to you.



Room 18 have been learning about fairy tales. We focussed on retelling fairy tales using our own words and made 'The Three Little Pigs' houses. Is there a different fairy tale you can read and retell at home?



Room 17 Investigation time

Some children in Room 17 created their own puppet theatre to act out some of the fairy tales they have learnt about.

EOTC Day to Gribblehirst Park

Kia Ora to all our whanau who offered to join us on our adventure to Gribblehirst Park on Wednesday 19th of September.

We are hopeful that the weather will be better for this trip next Wednesday the 26th and that you can all join us then.