



# Glen Eden Primary Team Newsletter, Term 2, 2020



## Nau mai, haere mai! Welcome to Term 2!

It has been wonderful getting back into learning at school and seeing how happy and settled our students are. Lockdown gave us the opportunity to trial new ways to teach and learn. We are in the process of looking at the feedback from the Lockdown surveys and thinking about ways we may be able to continue to incorporate some of this new learning and ways to connect with whānau.

Lockdown also gave us the opportunity to change our curriculum focus schedule for the year. The exciting news is that we have been able to reschedule The Lion King production for the end of Term 3. More details will come next term. Most classes will now be finishing off work on Papatūānuku from last term before beginning a focus on Kitchen Chemistry for the rest of the term. This aspect of science includes lots of fun hands-on experiments with common kitchen and household components. What students do will vary across classes and levels throughout the school.



### Kiwi Team Information



We loved being able to connect and share work with students and whānau using ClassDojo during Lockdown and we are planning to continue using this in a variety of ways. If you have not signed onto ClassDojo yet, please see your child's teacher.

Thank you for understanding the need for us to manage the gates during Level 2. A positive outcome of this has been that it has given students the opportunity to develop their self-management skills as they have all been able to independently hang up their bags, put their bookbags away and prepare for the day. Once we no longer need to have a contact tracing register, it would be wonderful to see this independence continue.

Classes will begin doing lots of experiments as part of our Kitchen Chemistry unit of work. They will be focusing on observing, thinking about and discussing what they do and see. We are also planning an exciting trip to My Science Playroom in Henderson. This will be near the end of the term and we will provide more information once it is confirmed. As always, we will need extra adults to accompany us and assist with supervision.

In maths, students have begun focusing on measurement where they are ordering and comparing objects by measures such as length, volume, weight and temperature. For the rest of the term, they will be working in groups on place value and multiplication with lots of counting and number work.

### Important Dates:

**May**  
25<sup>th</sup> Samoa  
Language Week

**June**  
1<sup>st</sup> Queen's  
Birthday holiday  
2<sup>nd</sup> Board of  
Trustees  
meeting  
25<sup>th</sup> Out of zone  
ballot date

**July**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Last day for  
reports to go  
home  
3<sup>rd</sup> Last day of  
Term 2