

# ***Ruru Term 2 Class update***

***May 2025***

## **Kia ora koutou**

It's lovely to be back at school.

We are well under way with our Term 2 learning. The students have settled back into class so very well. A special welcome to Lucy who has now joined the Ruru parliament.

(The collective noun for a group of Ruru/ owls is "parliament").

## **Spelling**

Our individualised spelling programme is under way. These are the words that come home in the Spelling notebook. If you are able to do a little of this on Mon/Tues/Weds nights it DOES make quite a difference to the students' spelling levels.

## **Reading**

Our usual Reading programme is under way and will continue whilst we teachers are (now) training for the new BSLA programme. (Better Start Literacy Approach).

The students will soon undergo testing to assess their knowledge and their oral language as part of the BSLA programme.

As we move through the programme we will keep you updated.



## **Maths**

Ruru's Maths programme will continue as it currently is. Some students in the school will be changing classrooms for Maths but at this stage no Ruru students will be moving to the other Year 2 room for Maths. Some students will be bringing home some Maths practise (some nights) instead of a reader, so if this is your child it would be great if you are able to make the time to do a short amount of Maths practise. Hopefully the instructions that come home with the Maths "games" will be clear!!

## **Oral Language Poetry Day**

We are going to have **Poetry day on Thursday 26 June at 1.30**. (2nd to last day of Term 2)

This will involve the students reciting a poem they have learned.

We would love to see you at our Poetry day if you are able to make it.

## **P.E. (Physical Education)**

This term we are going to have a focus on ball skills (large ball and small ball).

If you have time to catch / throw/ kick/ bounce balls at home to enhance their skills, please do so !!

### **Play on the fields**

Please send/ keep a change of clothes in your child's school bag in case they would like to play on the fields. This term they **MUST** have a change of clothes to play on the grass.



### **Yummy stickers**

We collect these in our room. They come on various fruits. If you do have some you can send them along to school or download a chart to put them onto ( these are on the Yummy fruit company website). We are also happy to print you off one and send it home- just let us know if you would like one. The more stickers we collect the more **FREE** sports gear the school gets.

Here is the link to the yummy website [Yummy stickers](#)

### **3 way conferences**

These are coming up soon and we would **LOVE** to see you at them.

Monday 26 and Thursday 29 May.

Next week we will send home a simple parent form that we would like you to fill in.

This will help make sure that we cover any questions/ queries that you may have.

If you could please send it back as soon as you can it will give us time to ensure we have any additional information that you may want, ready to share with you.

And, as always, if you have any queries or concerns you are welcome to contact us at any time. Either catch us, if you are in school, or email us. We will then make a time to discuss whatever it is that you would like to.

Kerry and Angela