

**Papatoetoe Central School  
Year 2 - Team Tui Newsletter**

***Kia ora e te Whanau  
Hello to the Tui Team families***



**Welcome to Term 3**

It is already term 3 and we are looking forward to another busy term of learning. It was great to see most parents at the 3 way conferences and to share with you more about your child's learning. Later this term we will be officially welcoming our new principal Linda Jefferies into our PCS whanau.

Remember teachers are available before school for a quick chat at 8.30am. Please do keep in touch.

**Term 3 Curriculum Focuses**

**Maths** - Basic facts , simple multiplication and division development

**Reading** - Talking about what we are reading to support our understanding

**Writing** - Recounts, Procedural writing, Descriptions, Explanation writing

**Topics** - Being a Nzer; Matariki and Elections

**Science** - Water Cycle **Technology** - Toy design

**Maths - Basic Fact Development**

This term we are having a big focus on encouraging your child to have quick recall of the basic facts to 10 and 20. If you would like to help with this at home you can ask your child addition and subtraction facts, with the aim being for your child to give you quick answers without using their fingers or maths equipment for support. If you need any assistance with this please see your child's classroom teacher.

**Term 3 Value - Determination**

Our term 3 value is determination. We are discussing with the children about trying their best, working hard and keeping on persevering even if a task is challenging. This can transfer into many areas of your child's life whether it be at home, sports teams or at school. We appreciate your support with encouraging your child to keep on keeping on.

**Healthy Eating - Lunches**

At the end of last term we were lucky enough to have the Life Education Caravan visit our school and teach us more about healthy eating. We are encouraging the children to bring some fruit or vegetables in their lunchbox to enjoy at break time. We thank you for your assistance with this.

**Absences**

We understand that during the winter terms this brings out the different illnesses. If your child is unwell it is best they stay home to get better. We ask that if your child is away that contact is made with school to notify us of your child's absence. Please remember that it is important that your child is at school on a regular basis to maximise the many learning opportunities offered to them at PCS.

***Join us at the Literacy seminar 9am Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August to find out more about  
Reading and Writing at PCS***

**Thank you from the The Tui Team Teachers**