

24 July 2019

Kia ora Whānau,

Welcome back to term two, I personally would like to welcome Willy as my teaching buddy in Mangatarere - please come in and introduce yourselves. The students are already enjoying Willy's strengths in physical education and music.

Two other fantastic things that have happened are:

- The students have all come back ready to learn and with a lot fewer bugs than we ended the term with!
- The new turf is in and there is a lot less pressure on the toilets now the students have the use of the renovated toilet block - with a lovely sheltered deck. The new windows in our hub are making our room much warmer and lighter. We look forward to this alteration being completed.

This is going to be another very busy term and the students are already becoming excited about our production, "A Night Under the Stars." This will be our major focus for the term and you can expect some information regarding ways you can become involved in the following weeks. We are also continuing to develop the radio station, broadcasts and promotion. Mangatarere are also taking an environmental focus, looking at our local streams with the possibility of helping with some riparian planting.

Events this term (with some dates and times for confirmation):

Week 1	
Week 2	
Week 3	Miniball Yrs 5-6 Football Tournament
Week 4	Maths week and Matharapa
Week 5	22 August Trip - Carter Observatory in Wellington
Week 6	Year 6 visit to tech (Featherston)
Week 7	Tech (Yr7-8)
Week 8	A Night Under the Stars: Dates TBC Tech (Yr7-8)
Week 9	Tech (Yr7-8)
Week 10	Kapa Haka Festival Year 7-8 Day Tech (Yr7-8)

Finally, many of our students need their pencil cases replenished and some headphones have found their way home. We have listed below any items your child needs. Our students will tell you they use their whiteboard markers frequently in small group work therefore we are asking for all students to purchase two more markers. The cost is \$5.00 from the office.

Regards Jeanette

## A Word from Willy

Kia ora koutou,

It has been a fantastic start to the term and my time here at Dalefield. I have had the pleasure of getting to know most of the students by now. Their imagination, creativity and a love for learning is making my time here most enjoyable. A huge thank you to all the staff who have got me up to speed with what's going on and to the families I have met, thank you for being so welcoming.

As mentioned, we have a super busy term ahead, one that we are all excited about. I look forward to meeting you all and hope you stay warm and healthy through the winter.

Willy