DEAR PARENTS AND WHANAU

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you enjoyed your holidays, that they were relaxing and you are well rested.

We are in for a very busy term with lots of different events. Clubs, cross country and Ag day are just some of the events this term.

We are looking for parents to help with clubs. If you can take a club or even help with transporting please let Mrs. Saia know. All help is appreciated.

Thank you to all those parents who came to our student led conferences. It was great to see so many of you attend. If you wish to meet with me for any reason please do not hesitate to contact me.

If there are any issues or you wish to talk to me about **anything**, please do not hesitate to drop me an email <u>davidm@tehihi.school.nz</u>. Alternately you can call and leave a message with Mrs Dell at the office, or drop in before or after school. I believe it is important to have good working relationships with the caregivers of the children I teach. In this way we can ensure the learners in Room One reach their full potential. I look forward to talking to you soon.

David Martens

Dates to Remember

9th August- School Cross Country

13th August - CLUBS start (for 5 weeks)

30th August – Speech Finals

31st August – Ag Day animal registrations due

28th September – Ag Day Indoor Exhibits

29th September – Ag Day

Uniform

As a part of Te Hihi School Policy every child must be in a school uniform. That means that children must come to school in the formal school uniform. Many children are coming in their sports uniform which is incorrect.

Please make sure that your child is coming to school in their proper uniform.

If your child is wearing a non uniform piece of clothing please make sure that it comes with a note and a date that it will be rectified.

Please remind your child that it is they are responsible for their own clothing. Last term saw large amounts of clothing and shoes left in Room 1 after school. Also just check if your children's clothing is named clearly. The lost property was overflowing at the end of the last term.

Homework

To help with home learning here are a few of the expectations in Room One.

- We give 110% in everything that we do.
- Homework is given out on a Monday and is to be handed in on the following Friday.
- Homework is an important aspect of encouraging learners to take responsibility for their learning.
- As a part of our Te Hihi School Homework Policy each child is required to complete homework tasks set by their teacher. The learners of Room One will be given tasks to complete over a one week period. It will consist of Reading, Maths, Spelling and Unit Studies. Parents can assist by helping students manage their time. Should circumstances hinder homework from being completed, a brief note is appreciated.
- Your child will be bringing spelling home each week. This has been tailored to your child and focuses on a spelling rule.
- Reading logs need to be kept up to date. Reading books will be sent home through the week, and learners will also have self selected library books to read. Each night learners should be reading for at least 20 minutes.

Room 1 Blog.

An integral part of Room 1 is the creation of our class blog. It is constantly updated with events from Room 1 and school. We are very proud of it but we want to see more people looking at it. So spread the word.

http://tehihiroom1.weebly.com/

<u>Uni</u>ts

We are so busy this term. Our focus is twofold. We will be looking closely at the upcoming Olympic Games. We will also be looking at flight and are hoping to help the birds around Te Hihi School.

We are looking for a small donation of ply wood to help us with our technology project. If your able to help please get in contact with me.

As the term draws to a close we will hope to Skype with our friends in Canada again. We will alert you of this when it happens.

P.E and Health.

Your child will need to bring their sports gear in every day as daily physical activity is part of Room One's philosophy.

Cross County training will start please make sure that your child has their uniform as well as a towel and footwear. (footwear is optional but is recommended)

The Adventures of Domo

on a USB stick.

Please continue to look at the blog as it is being updated lots.

Domo is the mascot of Room One. He will be spending time with each student for 1 week.
Domo is a very special member of our class and needs to be treated with respect and love.
While Domo is a part of your family life we would like your child to take photos or write something

blog about his adventures.

If you do have Domo and you wish to have photos could you give me a digital copy to put online. You can email them to me or bring them

about what Domo has done to add to our class

To catch up on Domo's adventures you can visit his website

http://tehihiroom1.weebly.com/adventures-of-domo.html