



## Atawhai Team Newsletter



WEEK 9, TERM 4

2019

### Important Dates to Remember

- School closes on Friday, 13th December at 1.00pm.
- Kelly club will be running from 1.00-3.00pm.
- School reopens on Tuesday 28th January 2020.
- Stationery for 2020: to be purchased online. (Look at Kindo on our school website for details)



### Athletics Day Results

Year 2 Girls

1st: Imogen  
2nd: Lucy  
3rd: Angel

Year 2 Boys

1st: Kayarn  
2nd: Justin  
3rd: Aadham

Year 3 Girls:

1st: Isla  
2nd: Indie  
3rd: Amy

Year 3 Boys

1st: Archie (Not pictured)  
2nd: Marshall  
3rd: Isaac

Boys Relays:

1st: Room 8  
2nd: Room 5  
3rd: Room 3

Girls Relays:

1st: Room 9  
2nd: Room 8  
3rd: Room 10





## MAGS School Visit to watch fairy tale performance



## Matific

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Our school is trialling Matific as part of the teaching and learning of Mathematics. It is a program designed by Maths educators from New Zealand and aligns with our curriculum. Children can work on activities that relate to the work they are doing in the classroom, which makes links between teacher assisted learning and exploration learning through the Matific activities. We are having a free trial period until the end of term 1 2020. All the children have received a login and password for them to be using over the summer break. This is a great opportunity to encourage maths learning while on holiday break.

*Matific has thousands of activities for students to play throughout the year. Please ensure that your home device is using an updated web browser or the most updated version of the app.*

## Our Reflections

This year I enjoyed learning a new game like capture the flag. I really liked it because it is challenging. I also really enjoyed making new friends. My favourite trip this year was the zoo because I learnt more about animals.

Elizabeth Rm 8

This year I really enjoyed making new friends and playing soccer with my friends. I am also proud of getting better at basketball shots and winning the boys class relay.

Ollie Rm 8

My favourite thing that we did was the animal enclosure. I liked doing it because it is art and we got to work with a buddy. I so liked swimming because we played games and learned how to keep safe in water. I like doing art and I made an art owl.

Nova Room 6

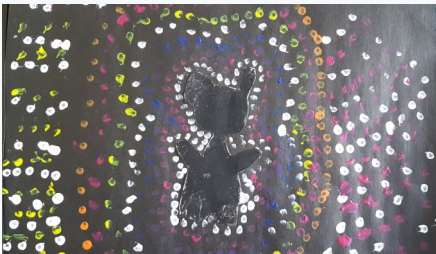
My favourite thing this year was doing the animal enclosure because my buddy was Nova and we could make whatever animal we wanted. We made a an owl family. The next favourite thing was we in our group made up a play to show our parents. It is called the 'Witch's Castle'. I loved making iMovie trailer. I loved going on all of the trips. I loved Ambury Farm as I got to feed the chickens.

Josephine Room 6





## Dot Art by Rooms 7 & 8



## Water sport play

The students had lots of fun during the water play. The experience was unique and some said they had never played like this before.





Dear Parents and Caregivers,



We would like to say a huge thank you to all of you for making 2019 such an amazing year. We appreciate not only your parent help, support and encouragement, but also your fantastic children who have been a delight to teach.

When we look back on the year, it is unbelievable how fast it has gone by, yet we have had so many exciting adventures and experiences. Some highlights have been the fabulous trips to Auckland Zoo, Ambury Farm, MOTAT and Birkenhead Leisure Centre. We have loved learning alongside the students as we venture further into learning through play and collaborative teaching. Another highlight has been seeing students grow in confidence as they have presented to the class their cultural boxes, science experiments, animal dioramas and books in a bag. It has been an exciting year of inquiry into the world of recycling, the animal kingdom, science and movie making. And not to forget all of the other experiences we have shared such as Garden to Table, art classes, music, swimming, fairy tale performances and classroom activities.

We are so proud of how far students have come this year; new friendships formed, increased resilience, and greater independence are some of the many areas of growth. Congratulations to all Atawhai students on your perseverance and the positive attitude you show when learning.

We wish Atawhai students and your families a very happy holiday. For those of you returning to Year 2-3 next year we look forward to working alongside you next year. To those of you moving to Year 4, pop back in to see us in 2020!

Arohanui Atawhai teachers  
Latha, Katrina, Grace, Hayley and Julie

