

# MATAI TEAM

## 2017 TERM 2

Kia Ora and welcome back! We hope you had a relaxing break with your family and ready for what Matai Team has in store.

Term 1 was definitely busy with students getting to know their teachers, their classmates and settling into their role as leaders of the ANI. Science was a highlight for most as we explored different scientific principles and participated in a range of experiments. It was fantastic to see all the different products the students created through the two units of inquiry. Another highlight was Polyfest where the whole school was involved and students experienced different cultural dances and food.



We have another eventful term with a lot of exciting activities planned. Of course we have Matai Team camp (8 - 12 April) where students will be able to try new activities, experience an overnight camp and develop strong friendships across the team. We also have the school production (28 - 29 June) which is an ANI version of high school musical. This term, students will also be learning Te Reo with Matua Jack.



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### TERM OVERVIEW

#### WHERE WE ARE IN PLACE AND TIME

Week 1 - 5

#### CENTRAL IDEA

Journeys and exploration connects humankind in a global community

#### LINES OF INQUIRY

Traditions, values and beliefs connect groups of people

Personal identity in a multi-cultural society

Contributions in the global community

**Key Concepts:** Connection, responsibility and perspective

#### HOW WE EXPRESS OURSELVES

Week 6 - 10

#### CENTRAL IDEA

People pass on and sustain ideas, culture and heritage

#### LINES OF INQUIRY

Perceptions are culturally influenced

The role of the arts in cultures, place, time and nature

Self-expression portrays diverse ideas and experiences

**Key Concepts:** Change and function

#### OTHER LEARNING AREAS

**Literacy:** With a focus on ideas, literacy is integrated into our themes. We will be looking into different ideas across a range of text types.

**Mathematics:** This term we will be focusing on number and exploring different strategies to solve proportion and ratio questions.

**Specialisation:** Students will choose a Technology or Arts area to attend twice a week. This will also be integrated into our themes.

**Languages:** Mandarin is taught twice a week for 45 minutes by Mrs Emily-Mei Hemstapat. Students will also be learning Te Reo once a week for 45 minutes with Matua Jack Potaka.

**Physical Education:** Mr Greg Berry will take the students for PE once a week for 45 minutes.