

# Home Learning: Term 2 2019 - Waenga Team

**\*\*During the term, check the News Flash for optional tasks which might interest YOU! Look out for “Challenge Central!”**

## Religious Education....

**Our Big Idea:** “Why should we care for God’s creation?”

**Manaaki whenua, manaaki tangata, haere whakamua-** *Care for the land, care for the people, go forward....*

- Perhaps make time to walk with your family/whanau free of technology, phones etc and view our surroundings with awe and wonder and openness to learning about God’s creation.

We are called to promote a new way of thinking about human beings, life, our relationships with one another and our relationship with nature. We need to take a moment and remember....

- To have a sense of gratitude...recognising that the world is God’s gift, give in love and trust. Pope Francis encouraged us to return to the beautiful practice of Grace before meals as the moment of blessing reminds us of dependence on God for life and strengthens our feeling of gratitude for the gifts of creation.

**‘The Holy Spirit- Te Wairua Tapu “the Lord, the giver of Life”**

- Please ask your child to say a simple prayer by saying Holy Spirit help me to....., or Come O Holy Spirit...

**Talk about:**

- about the Fruits of the Holy Spirit Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control what it looks like and sounds like.
- About and people they know in church who are part of their family- whanau, school, parish or wider church who bear the Fruits on the Holy Spirit by their words and actions. Eg Mum bears the fruit of love when she hugs me.

## The cornerstones of learning...

**Explore.....Talk.....Read.....Write.....Think about Number**

## Explore...

- How do we at Marist School reduce and recycle our waste at the moment?
- How do we sort our waste at home?
- What supermarkets or shops in NZ are saying no to plastic bags? You can record your findings in a tally chart or bar graph.
- How can we encourage others to reduce, reuse and recycle? Make a poster to spread the message.
- How can we reuse our rubbish? Here is some ideas you could try
- How to make bags from newspapers: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pSfusvAP1vw>
- How to make a football from plastic bags: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fBT7fwZ-fXE>

**Share your learning with your class whanau.**



### Talk...

- Share 1 or 2 maths strategies you have learnt this year.
- You could tell you parents about one of the special events in which we are taking part this year:
  - Cross Country
  - Wastewise Trip
- You could share with your family/whanau what you notice about the new buildings at school and what you wonder....

### Reading – 15 minutes daily.

Continue with your personal reading.

We know that the best way to improve our reading ability is s by reading more! It is really important that you read every day.

This term your goal should be to read more than last term!

**Set yourself a goal and write it down.**

*This term my aim is to read.....*

*How will you share something about your reading with your class? Create a presentation.*



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You could: Use this site to read an e-book

<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk> (You need a parent's permission as you need a login)

**Or look for these books that are relevant for our Inquiry from the school/ public library**

**The Paper Bag Prince** by Colin Thompson, **The Last of Maui's Dolphins** by Maria Gill and Bruce Potter, **Seeds of Change** by Jen Cullerton, **The Lorax** by Dr Suess, **One Plastic Bag** by Miranda Paul

## Spelling.....

1. Daily learning of words that are given to you by your teacher each week to learn for weekly spelling test.  
(Use the technique of look, say, cover, write and check.)



2. This site is useful for practising spelling skills: <https://www.studyladder.co.nz/>
3. Use a site such as <http://worksheets.theteacherscorner.net/make-your-own/crossword/> to construct and then complete a crossword based on your spelling words.  
(You could swap with a friend!)

## Numeracy...

### Term 2 focus: Multiplication and Division- Knowledge and Strategy

Daily practice of your fast facts- adding and subtracting numbers, using your basic facts to guide.  
Daily practice of your times tables and division facts.

These sites might be useful :

<https://www.timestables.co.nz/> <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables>

If you and your family would like to find more maths activities, a good site to check is:

<http://www.nzmaths.co.nz/families>

*We all have maths eyes we need to take a moment and see that maths is everywhere look for numbers, patterns and signs around us. Here is an example: Look at this hopscotch picture.*

Talk about 'I notice.....I wonder.....'



## EXTRA.....

You might enjoy... listening to these songs that relate to our Inquiry

- Earth, we're in it together - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tUHZsEtJXdk>
- Creation Calls Brian Doerksen [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G\\_eXpjYqmgo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G_eXpjYqmgo)