

INCURSION ADVICE



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

To celebrate Harmony Week, we have organised a Maori Education and Performing Arts Group to perform at a whole school assembly and to also facilitate an in-class Maori experience for your child/ren.

Harmony Week is an opportunity for all Western Australians to celebrate our vibrant multicultural State. The week runs from the 15th – 21st March every year and encourages everyone to experience, explore and appreciate WA's wealth of cultural, religious, linguistic and ethnic diversity.

Wednesday 21st March - 8:45-9:30am - Whole school assembly, Kindy to Year 6 - (Kindy A students are invited to attend with their parents). Parents/Caregivers and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend this performance.

Wednesday 21st March and **Thursday 22nd March** - Over the two days, 3 facilitators will be conducting a 40-50 min incursion with each class. Below is an outline of the sessions being conducted for each year group:

Kindy – Year 2 – Waiata

- The poems and songs taught in these workshops are highly interactive. Each is targeted at the learning and development level of the year group. Workshops involve an introduction to the Maori language and will touch upon the key value of "Aroha" which is empathy/compassion.

Year 3 and Year 4 – Titi Torea

- An introduction to Maori games through percussion and rhythm activities using wooden tools known as Rakau. Workshops involve the hands on experience of cultural practice in action. Students will explore the key value of "Tika" which is integrity.

Year 5 and Year 6 - Haka

- Haka is a traditional art form that incorporates a combination of Maori oratory and martial arts. Students will explore the value of "Mana" which is the inherent power that every person is born with. Haka is a traditional demonstration of the respect and discipline needed to harness your "Mana".

Friday 23rd March - 8:45-9:40am - Normal whole school assembly. One student from each class will be presented with a Harmony Day Certificate to celebrate their inclusive nature. (Kindy students will have their Harmony Day Certificates presented to them by their classroom teacher.)

We look forward to your involvement,
Rebecca Tibbels and the HaSS Curriculum Team

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HARMONY WEEK INCURSION CONSENT - (All Students to return this section to their class teacher)

Please tick where appropriate

- I have paid using Rivergums Primary School QKR app (this is the school's preferred method of payment)
- I have paid my child's Incursion/Excursion/Class activity fee up front and give permission to allocate the funds
- I have transferred \$4.00 by direct deposit into the school bank account: **BSB: 066 040 ACC: 19903469**
- Please find enclosed \$4.00 as cash payment for the excursion

I am aware that any costs incurred as a result of accident or illness are my responsibility and that school staff are not responsible for any loss or damage to my child's personal property that may occur during the course of the incursion.

I acknowledge that, should it be considered necessary, school staff will arrange to present my child for medical assessment.

I have read and understood the information regarding the incursion and give my consent for _____
to attend the Harmony Week incursion.

- The details recorded on my child's excursion medical form are current

or

Please make the following changes to my child's medical information form.

Signature of Parent/Caregiver _____ Date ___/___/___