

Friday 1 April 2022

Kia ora koutou

Over the last few weeks you will have seen lots of posts going up onto your children's profiles on Hero. These posts are related to their learning goals in *Reading, Writing and Maths*, but also include other posts about *exciting learning* your tamariki have been engaged in.

We share these posts with the children and it is lovely if you are able to leave them a comment or are better still able to discuss this learning with your child/ren at home.

Under the Reading, Writing and Maths on their report page you will also see which goals they are presently working on in class. This will give you some information about what you could do to assist their learning at home.

We are partners in educating your tamariki and hope that this new system gives you more up to date, regular feedback about what your tamariki are learning at school. It also gives you the option to comment on this and praise their progress and awesome achievements.



Next week on Wednesday 6th April Erin and I will present a HERO morning information session from 9.00 to 9.45am in the staffroom. Please join us if you are able and we will help any of you that are finding it difficult to manage the application and how you are able to access the fantastic learning the tamariki are engaged in at school. (We will video this session and post it with notes for those not able to attend)

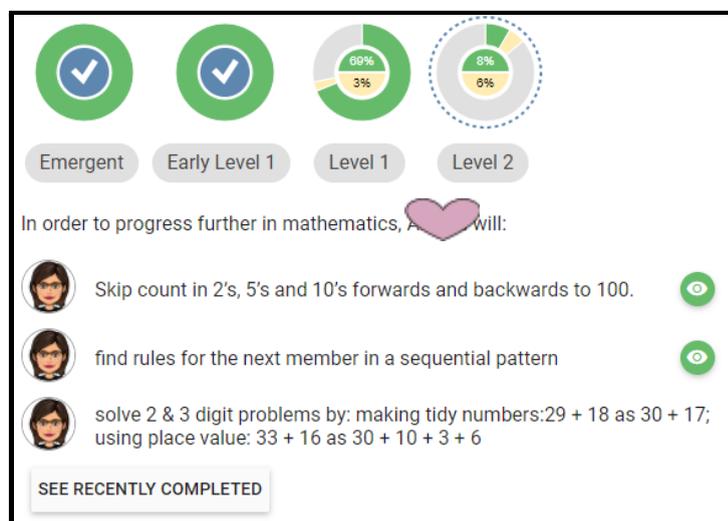
We will also be holding our "Kaiako me Whānau hui" (teacher and family meetings) in Week 3 next term.

These will be held on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th May. At the start of next term a panui (notice) will go out, where you will be invited to choose dates and times to connect with teachers.

If you have not signed up to the Hero App as yet, information on how to do this is attached. Erin and I will support anyone that wants help doing this next Wednesday, but Kelly and Mandy in the office are also able to assist with them any time you are in school.

Kia pai te mutanaga wiki koutou

Robyn



LOGGING ON TO HERO

Here at Birchville we use the communication and reporting system, Hero. An online sharing platform with complementary smart app.

Hero allows schools to customise an online environment that enables teachers, students, and families to **view and share content anytime, anywhere on any device**. The software is secure, easy to use and brings together all school-related information in one place.

With Hero, you have the ability to:

- read and comment on posts relating to your child's learning
- view information on your child's progress and goals,
- read and comment on school notices sent to the class or groups your child is part of
- respond to school notices such as surveys and trip permission requests
- view school term dates
- view a school calendar of events
- notify the school if your child is absent or late
- navigate to other school-related webpages
- customise your account by adding a profile image
- select how you wish to receive notifications

Learning posts combined with curriculum information and goal-setting will form an online report designed to build year-on-year so that over time you will have access to written posts, images, video, work samples, and helpful resources all in one place.

Over the coming year, staff and students will be posting rich content to our Hero software. We are looking forward to sharing this with you, including you in your child's learning journey.

For information about Hero including how to log in, go to:

<https://linc-ed-hero.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360026349934-Logging-into-Hero-Information-for-Parents>
or contact Kelly in the office at office@birchville.school.nz or call 04 526 7128

