

# FIRST 6 MONTHS

## LEARNING OVERVIEW

Here's what your child will be learning this year and how you can support them at home.



### READING PĀNUI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Learn the letters of the alphabet and the sounds they make
- Read simple words by putting sounds together
- Use letter sounds to work out unfamiliar words
- Correct mistakes when reading by trying again
- Read simple sentences and talk about new words
- Predict what might happen next in a story
- Make connections between stories and their own experiences
- Read decodable books using the sounds and letters they have learned



### WRITING TUHITUHI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Handwrite letters and numbers correctly
- Spell simple words by breaking them into sounds
- Spell common words such as "I", "the", and "a"
- Use drawing and writing to communicate ideas, experiences, and information
- Use letters, sounds, and words to write simple messages
- Write for different purposes such as sharing information, telling a story, or sending a message
- Think about who will read their writing



### MATHS PĀNGARAU

#### Your child will learn to:

- Recognise small groups of objects without counting them one by one
- Count forwards and backwards to 10 and then to 20
- Read, say, write, compare, and order numbers to 20
- Recall simple addition and subtraction facts to 5
- Copy, continue, and create simple repeating patterns
- Compare objects using words such as taller, shorter, heavier, lighter, more, and less
- Name the days of the week and connect them to everyday routines
- Recognise and describe common 2D shapes and sort them by their features
- Follow and give simple directions to find places and objects



#### How you can help at home:

- Read together every day for at least 10 minutes
- Look for letters and words in everyday places
- Talk about stories and ask questions together
- Help your child connect stories to their own life
- Practise letter sounds and encourage your child to sound out simple words



#### How you can help at home:

- Practise writing letters, names, and simple words
- Make letters using playdough, blocks, shells, or other materials
- Encourage drawing and writing at home
- Help your child hear the sounds in words
- Write notes, messages, emails, or shopping lists together



#### How you can help at home:

- Count everyday objects and practise counting forwards and backwards together
- Notice and talk about numbers in everyday places
- Play board games that involve counting
- Talk about patterns, shapes, and how objects are the same or different during play
- Talk about days of the week, upcoming events, and give simple directions together

AT TE KURA O PĀTIKI  
WE VALUE



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# YEAR 1

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#### Your child will learn to:

- Read words with common letter patterns such as ch, sh, ee, -ed, and -ing
- Read simple words and sentences by putting sounds together
- Fix mistakes by using what they know about sounds, letters, and meaning
- Read longer sentences that join ideas using words such as and and but
- Identify different types of texts such as stories, poems, and factual texts
- Answer questions about what they have read and learn the meaning of new words
- Predict what might happen next and make connections to characters and events



#### How you can help at home:

- Read together every day for at least 10 minutes
- Practise sounding out unfamiliar words
- Visit the library and choose books together
- Talk about stories and ask questions about what is happening
- Look for words in everyday places such as signs, labels, and shops



### WRITING TUHITUHI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Handwrite letters and numbers neatly using a good pencil grip
- Spell simple words by breaking them into sounds
- Spell common tricky words such as was, of, and said
- Think about who they are writing for and why they are writing
- Plan their writing by talking about ideas first
- Write simple sentences to tell a story, explain something, or share an opinion
- Use capital letters and full stops correctly
- Check each sentence as they write



#### How you can help at home:

- Practise writing letters, words, and simple sentences
- Encourage writing for real purposes such as notes, lists, messages, emails, or letters
- Help your child hear and write the sounds in words
- Talk about ideas before writing
- Read your child's writing together and encourage them to check it makes sense



### MATHS PĀNGARAU

#### Your child will learn to:

- Count forwards and backwards in 1s, 2s, and 10s to 100
- Read, write, compare, and order numbers to at least 100
- Use place value to understand numbers (e.g. 17 is 1 ten and 7 ones)
- Develop addition and subtraction strategies using numbers to 20
- Learn basic facts to 10, including doubles and halves
- Explore multiplication and division through equal groups and sharing
- Recognise and use halves and quarters
- Tell the time to the hour and describe daily routines
- Sort, describe, and create patterns, shapes, graphs, and simple data displays



#### How you can help at home:

- Count forwards and backwards during everyday activities
- Notice and talk about numbers around you
- Talk about time, shapes, and measurement in daily life
- Share food, toys, or objects equally and talk about halves and quarters
- Play board games and simple counting games together

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# YEAR 2

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### READING PĀNUI

Your child will learn to:

- Read words with more complex letter patterns such as ai, igh, oi, and ou
- Read longer words with two or more syllables
- Use different sounds and letter patterns to work out unfamiliar words
- Read a range of texts including stories, poems, and information texts
- Figure out the meaning of new words using clues from the text
- Retell important events and key details from what they have read
- Predict what might happen next and make connections to characters and events
- Share opinions and ideas about texts



How you can help at home:

- Read together every day for at least 10 minutes
- Encourage your child to sound out unfamiliar words
- Read a variety of books, poems, and songs together
- Talk about stories and ask questions about what they have read
- Look for and read words in everyday places



### WRITING TUHITUHI

Your child will learn to:

- Handwrite letters and numbers correctly using a comfortable pencil grip
- Break longer words into syllables and sounds to help with spelling
- Spell words with common endings such as -s, -ed, and -ing
- Use joining words such as and, but, and so to connect ideas
- Use capital letters and full stops correctly and independently
- Write short narratives with a beginning, middle, and ending
- Write a group of sentences to explain ideas or share an opinion
- Check and improve their writing by fixing spelling, punctuation, or word choices



How you can help at home:

- Practise writing words and simple sentences
- Encourage writing for real purposes such as notes, lists, cards, and messages
- Talk about ideas before writing
- Help your child hear and write the sounds in words
- Read your child's writing together and encourage them to check it makes sense

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### MATHS PĀNGARAU

Your child will learn to:

- Read, write, compare, and order numbers to 120
- Count forwards and backwards in 1s, 2s, 5s, and 10s
- Use place value to understand two-digit numbers
- Add and subtract numbers using a range of strategies
- Recall addition facts and doubles and halves to 20
- Multiply and divide using equal groups, sharing, and skip counting
- Recognise, compare, and use fractions such as halves, thirds, and quarters
- Use money to count, group, and solve simple problems
- Tell the time to the hour, half-hour, and quarter-hour
- Sort, describe, and compare shapes, patterns, data, and measurements



How you can help at home:

- Count forwards and backwards, and practise skip counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s
- Share food or objects equally and talk about halves and quarters
- Talk about time, shapes, measurement, and directions during daily routines
- Notice and talk about numbers and money in everyday life
- Play board games and simple maths games together

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# YEAR 3

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Here's what your child will be learning this year and how you can support them at home.



### READING PĀNUI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Read longer and more complex words with increasing confidence, including words with less common spelling patterns
- Use different sounds and letter patterns to help work out unfamiliar words
- Find the main idea in a text and explain important details
- Predict what may happen next using clues from the text
- Share opinions and make connections between texts and their own experiences
- Use clues from the text and word parts to work out the meaning of new words
- Identify whether a text is written to entertain, inform, or persuade



#### How you can help at home:

- Read together every day
- Ask questions before, during, and after reading
- Talk about new or interesting words
- Encourage your child to make connections to their own life and the world
- Encourage your child to explain their thinking



### WRITING TUHITUHI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Write different types of texts such as narratives, explanations, and persuasive writing
- Plan and organise ideas clearly for the reader
- Think about the purpose of their writing and who will be reading it
- Write detailed sentences using joining words such as because, although, and though to connect ideas
- Use punctuation correctly, including capital letters, full stops, commas, question marks, and exclamation marks
- Spell many high-frequency words and topic words correctly
- Check and improve their writing by adding, changing, combining, or correcting ideas



#### How you can help at home:

- Talk about ideas before writing
- Encourage writing for real purposes (notes, stories, lists, letters, emails)
- Praise effort, creativity, and improvement
- Help notice spelling patterns and syllables
- Encourage your child to read their writing aloud

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### MATHS PĀNGARAU

#### Your child will learn to:

- Read, write, compare, and order numbers to 1,000
- Recall multiplication and division facts for 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 8s, and 10s
- Use multiplication and division facts to solve problems using grouping and sharing strategies
- Add and subtract numbers using a range of mental and written strategies
- Recognise, compare, and use fractions such as halves, thirds, quarters, and fifths
- Read analogue and digital clocks and use time in everyday situations
- Read graphs and describe what the data shows
- Follow directions, use simple maps, and describe movement and position
- Identify patterns, symmetry, and features of 2D and 3D shapes



#### How you can help at home:

- Practise basic facts regularly (add, sub, mult)
- Cook and measure together
- Talk about time, money, and numbers during daily routines
- Use directional language such as left, right, forward, backward, half and quarter turn
- Read simple maps together and talk about where places are located

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# YEAR 4

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### READING PĀNUI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Read longer texts independently, including texts related to their interests
- Read and understand words with multiple syllables and word parts
- Work out the meaning of new words and phrases using clues from the text and prior knowledge
- Identify whether a text is written to entertain, inform, or persuade
- Find the main message in a text and explain how details support it
- Make predictions and connections using information that is stated and implied
- Share opinions and respond respectfully to the ideas of others



### WRITING TUHITUHI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Organise ideas into paragraphs and build writing stamina
- Spell common homophones correctly, such as their, there, they're
- Use apostrophes correctly to show possession
- Identify the purpose and audience for their writing
- Plan writing using notes, key words, and ideas
- Use a range of sentence structures to make writing more effective
- Write narratives, information reports, and persuasive texts
- Reread, edit, and improve their writing using feedback



### MATHS PĀNGARAU

#### Your child will learn to:

- Read, write, compare, and order numbers to 10,000
- Add and subtract numbers with up to four digits
- Recall multiplication facts (2–10 times tables) and use multiplication and division to solve problems
- Explore fractions and decimals and understand how they are connected
- Add and subtract simple fractions and decimals
- Use money to calculate costs and change
- Measure length, weight, capacity, temperature, perimeter, and time
- Identify angles, symmetry, shapes, and use maps and grid references
- Collect, display, and interpret data using graphs and charts



#### How you can help at home:

- Encourage your child to read independently every day
- Read a variety of books, articles, recipes, instructions, and online texts together
- Talk about characters, ideas, and messages in texts
- Help your child work out the meaning of unfamiliar words
- Visit the library and encourage reading about personal interests



#### How you can help at home:

- Talk about ideas before writing
- Encourage writing for real purposes such as emails, cards, lists, and messages
- Help your child reread and improve their writing
- Encourage them to share their writing with family members
- Play word games, crosswords, or spelling activities together



#### How you can help at home:

- Practise multiplication facts and skip counting regularly
- Use money, fractions, and decimals during shopping or cooking
- Measure and compare objects around the home
- Read clocks, calendars, timetables, and maps together
- Talk about graphs, tables, and information you see in everyday life

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# YEAR 5

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### READING PĀNUI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Read longer and more complex texts independently
- Work out the meaning of unfamiliar words and phrases using clues from the text and prior knowledge
- Recognise different types of texts such as stories, articles, poems, and plays
- Summarise key ideas and explain how evidence supports the author's message
- Use stated and implied information to deepen their understanding
- Make connections between texts, their own experiences, and the wider world
- Share opinions about texts and discuss ideas respectfully with others
- Identify how authors use language and text features to create meaning and engage the reader



#### How you can help at home:

- Encourage your child to read independently every day
- Read a variety of books, articles, recipes, instructions, and online texts together
- Talk about characters, ideas, and messages in texts
- Help your child work out the meaning of unfamiliar words
- Visit the library and encourage reading about personal interests



### WRITING TUHITUHI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Write longer and more detailed texts for different audiences and purposes
- Plan, organise, and develop ideas before writing
- Use apostrophes correctly to show possession
- Spell a wider range of homophones correctly (e.g. their, there, they're)
- Use a range of sentence structures and vocabulary choices to engage the reader
- Write narratives, information reports, and persuasive texts
- Use digital tools to create and publish texts
- Reread, edit, and improve writing using feedback



#### How you can help at home:

- Encourage writing for real purposes such as messages, letters, journals, or blogs
- Talk about ideas and planning before writing
- Help your child reread and improve their writing
- Encourage the use of interesting vocabulary and descriptive language
- Play word games and spelling games together



### MATHS PĀNGARAU

#### Your child will learn to:

- Read, write, compare, and order numbers to 1,000,000
- Use multiplication and division strategies to solve problems, including the 11 and 12 times tables
- Work with fractions, decimals, and percentages and understand how they are connected
- Add, subtract, compare, and order fractions and decimals
- Find fractions and percentages of whole amounts
- Measure and compare length, weight, capacity, temperature, area, perimeter, volume, and time
- Measure and describe angles and use coordinates and maps
- Collect, display, interpret, and compare data using graphs and tables
- Describe the likelihood of events and explore probability



#### How you can help at home:

- Practise multiplication facts, including the 11 and 12 times tables
- Use money, fractions, decimals, and percentages during shopping or cooking
- Measure and compare objects around the home
- Read timetables, clocks, calendars, maps, and coordinates together
- Talk about graphs, data, and the likelihood of everyday events

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# YEAR 6

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### READING PĀNUI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Read longer and more complex texts independently
- Work out the meaning of unfamiliar words and phrases using clues from the text and prior knowledge
- Compare and contrast different types of texts and how they are written for different audiences
- Summarise key ideas and explain how evidence supports the author's message
- Use stated and implied information to justify their thinking
- Make connections between texts, their own experiences, and the wider world
- Discuss viewpoints, perspectives, and how ideas are communicated in texts
- Share and justify opinions while considering the ideas of others
- Evaluate whether information from different sources is reliable and trustworthy



#### How you can help at home:

- Encourage your child to read independently every day
- Talk about ideas, messages, and viewpoints in texts
- Discuss whether information from books, websites, or media is trustworthy
- Help your child work out the meaning of unfamiliar words
- Continue reading and discussing books, articles, and other texts together



### WRITING TUHITUHI

#### Your child will learn to:

- Write for specific audiences and purposes using an appropriate style and structure
- Use apostrophes correctly to show possession
- Write effective sentences by selecting and organising ideas for impact
- Use descriptive and persuasive language to engage the reader
- Write narratives, information reports, and persuasive texts
- Use digital tools to create, edit, and publish texts
- Make notes from a range of sources to plan writing
- Reread, edit, and improve writing using feedback and self-reflection



#### How you can help at home:

- Encourage writing for real purposes such as messages, emails, letters, journals, or blogs
- Talk about ideas and planning before writing
- Help your child reread and improve their writing
- Encourage the use of precise vocabulary and descriptive language
- Play word games and spelling games together



### MATHS PĀNGARAU

#### Your child will learn to:

- Work confidently with numbers up to 1,000,000, including rounding, estimating, and calculating
- Use multiplication, division, and order of operations to solve problems
- Work with fractions, decimals, percentages, and negative numbers
- Solve problems involving money and real-life situations
- Measure and estimate length, weight, capacity, temperature, area, volume, angles, and time
- Convert between different units of measurement and time
- Use coordinates, maps, scales, symmetry, and transformations
- Collect, display, interpret, and compare data using graphs and statistics
- Calculate and interpret mean and range
- Explore probability and calculate the likelihood of outcomes



#### How you can help at home:

- Practise multiplication facts and quick number strategies
- Use fractions, decimals, percentages, and money in everyday situations
- Read timetables, maps, scales, and coordinates together
- Discuss graphs, statistics, and information seen in the media
- Talk about probability and the likelihood of everyday events

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