



"Te Ako i te Ora" - "Learning through Living"

From the Principal's Pen

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Well, it's finally arrived! The last week of Term 4 2018! For some of our students, it will be their last week at Primary School and the start of a new adventure in their lives, and we wish them all well. The last week for some of our staff too.

- ◇ Mrs Matkin is retiring after 25 years of dedication to Marlborough Primary School and we wish her well in everything she decides to do in the future. We will miss her at school and sporting events.
- ◇ Mrs Raewyn Mitchell is also retiring after 20+ years as a dedicated Teacher Aide. We will miss her smile and words of encouragement to both staff and students alike.
- ◇ Jessica Davies and Wasan Al—Khafaji, two of our wonderful Teacher Aides are off to pursue other career opportunities. Best wishes to you all, as we will miss you, but have enjoyed getting to know you.

Monitorial Trip

As normal, we do not let anything pass us by. Today the Monitors of 2018 are off to Parakai Pools as a 'Thank You' for all the dedication and commitment they have shown this year in the many varied roles they have carried out. A school cannot run so easily without these dedicated leaders.

Camp

Last week saw all the Year 5 and 6 students attend the camp at the Sir Peter Blake Marine Education Centre at Long Bay. Although the weather was not always kind, and at times very windy, rainy and sunny, it did not stop the students, parents and teachers taking full advantage of all the different sporting amenities available. As we know, these events cannot take place without the support of parents, so thank you for giving up your time, to ensure the camp could go ahead. Finally a huge THANK YOU to the teachers involved.

Prize Giving Ceremonies

Last Friday, we held two of the school Prize Giving ceremonies— the Junior classes and the middle classes. It was lovely to hear the singing, see the class presentations as well as the presenting of the End of Year certificates and announcing trophy winners. Thank you to all who were able to attend. The last Prize Giving ceremony will be at tomorrow evening (Tuesday) at 6:30pm, for Rooms 2, 3, 4 and 16 - the Senior Team.

Books

Please remember to keep searching for lost library books, journals and reading books, and return them to the class teacher who will direct them to the correct place. Thank you in anticipation of this.

National Library - fun in the holidays

Looking for fun, free ways to keep your Children/tamariki learning and building their reading skills over summer? Sign up for Kia Maia te Whai - Dare to Explore, at the Auckland Libraries' summer reading programme for children aged 5yrs to 12 years. Don't miss out. Register at: www.daretoexplore.nz for bilingual programme, OR www.Kiamaiatewhai.nz for Te Reo Maori programme OR visit one of our 54 participating libraries. This is a great activity to do with friends. Encourage your child's friends to come along and join in the adventure. You can join the

Look!

Tuesday 11 December
Year 5/6 Prizegiving and Year 6 Graduation
6:30pm

Wednesday 12 December

Year 0-2 classes to Marlborough Park

School Reports are taken home

Thursday 13 December

FOS Iceblock Day

'Opposites' Day for Senior classes

Friday 14 December
School closes for the Christmas holidays at 12:30

2019

Term 1
Monday 4 February
To
Friday 12 April

Term 2
Monday 29 April
To
Friday 5 July

A Thank You

Mrs Matkin would like to thank the Marlborough School community for attending her special afternoon on Saturday. She was overwhelmed by the support shown.

End of Year Merit Awards for Junior and Middle School

Room 1 Lorraine L., and Liam B.
Room 13 Czarnelle R., and Giverly M.
Room 14 Nathan E., and Adam G.
Room 15 Jorja S., and Isaac B.

Room 17 Isla H., and Jackson W.
Room 5 Rena M., and Hamdan Q.
Room 6 Liyana A., and Zheng L.
Room 7 Leo Y., and Saiah B.
Room 8 Eldon D., and Zara R.
Room 10 Eshaan K., and Julia O.
Room 11 Kai Z., and Tina L.
Room 12 Tom H., and Annie T.

PB4L Trophy (Juniors) Emma Xia
Excellent Academic Progress Callum Donnell

PB4L Trophy (Middles) Zahara O'Loughlin
Excellent Academic Progress Ben Lim

Thank you to you all for the support you give to not only your child, but to us all. Enjoy the holidays and have a lovely Christmas and New Year. See you in 2019!

Sue Buckley
'Learning is at the heart of our journey together'

'Opposites' Day - Thursday 13 December

The Student Council will be holding an 'Opposites' Day for the **senior students** (Rooms 2, 3,4 and 16) on Thursday . Come dressed as a boy/girl, wear your clothing back-to-front, etc

Reminders:

- ◆ Sushi Orders to the Office by 12noon each Tuesday
- ◆ Sunhats must be worn when outside during the day.

School Closes for the Holidays
End of Term is Friday 14 December at 12:30
Children will have their lunch at home.
School re-opens on **Monday 4 February 2019** at 8:30am