

Term 1 Week 4

Monday 19 February 2018



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

From the Principal's Pen

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you to all those parents who braved the muggy and humid weather to attend the 'Meet the Teacher' evening. It was lovely to see you there and for the teachers in their teams and classes to share what was essential or a focus for your child's success this year, as well as to explain their routines and expectations within the class.

Home Learning

I know from these very informative evenings that 'Home Learning' and class expectations were shared with you. The Year 5 and 6 children have a home learning sheet that lasts for 8 weeks, and one aspect of their learning is shared in class every week.

The Years 3 and 4 children's home learning will be available online or as a hard copy practising basic facts, place value knowledge, spelling and reading, on a weekly basis.

The Junior children in Years 1 and 2 have reading as a daily homework. Reading to you as well as you reading to them. This is enjoyable for all, but it helps to improve their abilities—listening, speaking, asking questions and Extends their oral language ability and broadens their vocabulary. Children also have high fluency words to learn and some basic facts information.

Signs and Symbols around the School

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) - the Ministry of Education Behaviour Management Programme. This is seen in our school as MPS:

M - respecting my self

P - respecting people

S - respecting my surroundings

You will see posters in classes and in the hall that explain the expected behaviour in our school environment.

FOS (Friends of the School) Update

Thank you to all those parents who joined us after the 'Meet the Teacher' evening to attend a FOS meeting. It was great to see new faces as well as our regular members too. We know that not everyone can commit to be a regular team member, but FOS appreciate all the extra help they can get for the special events they organise for the children. Please watch for ways in which you can help.

FOS (Friends of the School) were fundraising last year for pool upgrading and we have now ordered new 'Tube matting' for the changing rooms, and it will be here before the end of the term.

Await further details of pool area improvement projects in readiness for Term 4 swimming. Hopefully underway in Term 2 and 3.

FOS are holding a **Family Fun Night on Friday 9 March**, and are looking for Donations of prizes to be raffled. If you or your business are able to donate Anything, please pop into the school office, or get in touch with Mrs Henty in Room 8 or Mrs Leathart in Room 11.

School Donations

Thank you to all who have paid or have set up an automatic bank payments for the school donation. This helps us greatly with organising purchases to help support our children's learning. Full payment of \$150.00 per child (or an arranged AP with your bank) by 29 March enables access to Athletics.

Look!

Wednesday 28
February
New Entrant Parent
Meeting

Thursday 8 March
FOS Ice block day

Friday 9 March
Family Fun Night

Tuesday 13 March
Class Photos

2018

Term Dates

Term 1
Wednesday 31 January
to Friday 13 April

Easter Break
Friday 30 March to
Tuesday 3 April

Term 2
Monday 30 April
to Friday 6 July

Term 3
Monday 23 July
To Friday 28 September

Term 4
Monday 15 October
To Friday 14 December

House Points Winner

The winning House from last year's accumulation of House points and 'Shout Out's' was **MIRO**. They will have the opportunity to have a swimming pool party at lunchtime this Thursday.

Weekly Merit Certificates

Room 1	Jayda A., Hannah F.	Room 2	Jessica D., Mieke F.
Room 3	Meleseini T., Olivia H.	Room 4	Khyber L., Sarah-Jane A
Room 5	Wyan F., Grace S.	Room 7	Millie E., Ethan E.
Room 8	Mirabel O., Burak S.	Room 10	Emma X. Oliver M.
Room 11	-	Room 12	Luke G., Jenny L.
Room 13	Abby E., Jake H.	Room 14	Daniel C., Kaavya T.
Room 15	Hadassah N., Ollie Mc., Sasuke S., Isaac B.		
Room 16	Mason R., Tuini A.		

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 28 February	New Entrant Parent Meeting at 6:00pm in Room 7
Friday 9 March	Junior and Senior combined assembly at 9:10am
Tuesday 13 March	Class Photos
Wednesday 14 March	Minifair—organised by Senior team
Tuesday 20 March	School 'A-Thon'
Wednesday 21 March	Celebration of Learning at 3:15—5:30pm
Friday 23 March	Middle and Senior combined assembly at 10:45am

Have a great week everyone.

Sue Buckley

'Learning is at the heart of our journey together'

Terracycling - Outside Room 8

There are 5 bins located outside Room 8. We collect the following empty packaging to be recycled:

- ♦ Coffee capsules
- ♦ Glad wrap
- ♦ UNO yoghurt suckies
- ♦ Colgate oral care - toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes, boxes and mouthwash bottles.

These items are collected and sent away and points are earned for us to redeem sustainability items for our school.

Library

This is open every Wednesday after school between 3:00 and 3:30pm. Please come along and share this time in the library with your child/ren and explore the range of books we have.

School Fun Run

A fundraising booklet for our school 'A-thon' will be coming home tomorrow (Tuesday). Please keep an eye out for it. The school A-thon is an Aquathon for Year 1 and 2 students, and a choice of Duathlon or Triathlon for 7-11 year olds. The A-thon is held on **Tuesday 20 March** starting at 9:00am and all parents and whanau are welcome to come and support the participants. More information will be coming soon.

School Docs

Our school policies are easy to access at:

www.schooldocs.co.nz

Type in our school name to get to the login page, and log in with:

Marlborough (in lower case), and the password is: **primary** (in lower case)

Dilworth School - scholarships available

Dilworth is a school like no other. They select boys from families which are experiencing financial and/or personal hardship and offer them a free scholarship - a fully funded, Christian-based, boarding school education with all expenses covered - including tuition, boarding, uniforms, music lessons and sports trips.

Applications are invited from boys entering **Year 5 or Year 7 in 2019 (next year)**. Interested families are invited to visit an Open Morning at Dilworth Junior Campus, 29 Omaha Road, Remuera on Saturday 24 February or Friday 23 March from 9:30 to 12 noon.

For further information visit: www.dilworth.school.nz