

## Term 1 Week 4

Monday 20 February 2017

“Te Ako i te Ora” - “Learning through Living”



### From the Principal's Pen .....

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Hopefully the weather will continue to improve this week, but I can say it did not stop the children from swimming, even if a few Children in a Year 1 class were very worried they might get wet!

Thank you to all those parents who came to the 'Meet the Teacher' evening. It was well attended, due to some part by the parents of the children in the older classes wanting to know how the chrome books are working in classes. In the Year 1 classes, most of the parents had already attended a 'New Entrant Parent Meeting' as well as having a catch-up with the class teacher most days, when dropping off and picking up from the classroom.

### 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 8 weeks and one aspect of their learning is shared in class every week.

The Years 3 and 4 children's home learning daily reading and the learning of basic facts. Children are encouraged to use online platforms for these tasks.

The Junior children in Year 1 and 2 have reading as a daily homework - as reading to you as well as your reading to them helps improve their abilities - as well as listening extends their oral language and vocabulary. Children also have high fluency words to learn and some basic facts information.

### Sickness / absence

If your child has been unwell during the night or is not feeling well first thing in the morning, please keep them at home, as we are sending 6-8 children home each day as they become more unwell as the day progresses.

### FOS Meeting (Friends of the School)

Thank you to those new members who attended the latest FOS meeting, following the 'Meet the Teacher' evening. Your support and help is much appreciated. FOS always welcome new members, so please come along to the next meeting. It will be advertised in the school newsletter.

### Library

This is open every Wednesday after school between 3:10 and 4:00pm. Please go along and share this time in the library with your child/ren and explore the range of books we have.

### School Donation

A reminder that the in order for your child to gain access to Athletics, the full school donation needs to be paid, or an AP set up by 31 March.

Payment of the full school donation covers all trips, shows, and visits both in and out of school.

Payment can be made by cheque, cash, eftpos or by setting up an AP with your bank. Thank you to all that have paid or have set up bank payments. This helps us greatly with organizing purchases to support our children's learning.

### Sports Information

Any children in Years 2-6 wishing to play Miniball need to return their forms to Mrs Beattie in Room 4 or they can collect one if they have misplaced theirs. This **Tuesday** a representative from the Glenfield Rugby Club will take short 'taster' sessions at lunch time. 12:40 for Years 1/2, and 1:00pm for Years 3-6. On **Thursday** Harbour Basketball will take a session at 12:40pm for Yr 3-6 students that are interested.

# Look!

**Wednesday  
22 February**

Board of Trustees  
Meeting  
7:00pm in boardroom

**Wednesday 8 March**  
New Entrants Parent

Meeting  
6:30pm in Room 7

**Friday 10 March**  
Combined Junior/Senior  
assembly

**Tuesday 14 March**  
Photolife Class Photos

**Wednesday 15 March**  
School A-thon

## 2017

### Term Dates

**Term 1**

Wednesday 1 Feb to  
Thursday 13 April

### Walking to school

Wacky Wednesday on 1 March!

Walk to school, and wear wacky shoes, wacky hair, - be wacky! Be in to win a prize!

Friday 3 March - it's the Big Walk Day. Can we walk the length of the North Island together at lunchtime?

Any questions - see Mrs Matkin or Mrs Beattie.

### Tiqbiz

This is an app that we use to communicate with our school community. You will be notified of our news, messages, events and other urgent communications as well as our weekly newsletter. This will avoid the need to phone the school for information that arises after the publication of the school newsletter: ie, change of assembly times, bus late back from trip etc Simply use the Tiqbiz app on your phone or tablet. To get Tiqbiz, follow these instructions:



- Search **tiqbiz** in your app store
- Select 'allow' notifications
- Open **tiqbiz** and register/log in
- Select the 'search' icon and type in our name (Marlborough Primary School Auckland)
- Select us from the results of the search
- Click the 'add' icon beside the boxes that apply to you
- Click the 'back' arrow to return to search.
- Click the 'home' icon to view.

### Weekly Merit Certificates

Room 1: Jason Z., Isla Mac.  
Room 2: Mason D., Cleeve M.  
Room 3: Melissa G., Zab P.  
Room 4: Paxten J., Johnny X.  
Room 5: Eshaan K., Luke G.  
Room 7: Isaac V., Lily H.  
Room 8: James D., Kaylize R.  
Room 10: Matthew W., KiMoon P.  
Room 11: Cassady H., Isaac B.  
Room 12: Arian M., Christina F.  
Room 13: Olivia H., Hannah F.  
Room 14: Tuini A., Olivia H., Mia L.

### Principal's Awards

Holly J - for her descriptive writing about her Holiday in Fiji.

Vanioni T - for her descriptive writing about Attending a friend's birthday Party at 'Jump'.

Have a great week everyone

Sue Buckley

**'Learning is at the heart of our journey together'**

### Library Update

Parents and children are now able to access our school library at home through the WEB OPAC. This means parents can access information about their children's book choices and due-date back information. Users can also see new book is the library and can search for book that interest them, or find for research or homework purposes.

The WEB OPAC will soon be accessible through our school website:

<http://aiscloud.nz/MRL00/#!dashboard>

Years 1-2 can issue 2 books at a time for a 14 day period

Years 3-6 can issue 3 books at a time for a 14 day period.



If you shop at **New World Birkenhead** in Mokoia Road and purchase 2 x Kellogg's products we can earn free books for our school library by placing the receipt in the 'Marlborough Primary' box near the entrance to the store.