

Term 4 Week 7

Monday 27 November 2017



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

From the Principal's Pen

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

International Food Fair

Its nearly here. The International Food Fair on Friday from 5.00 to 8.00pm. Come along and see the entertainment provided by the students, the choir, kapa haka just to name a few. As well as the food stalls, face painting and games.

Come prepared with your coins to be entertained, fed, to buy gifts and finally, I heard a rumour that Father Christmas was flying in for photos. See you there!

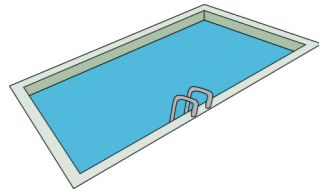
Urgent! More Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help support the International Food Fair. If you are able to give an hour of your time or more on the 1st December, please contact Sarah Wrigley on 021 2888 5550

Thank you all for your donations and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Swimming Pool

What excitement was heard and felt throughout the school when the swimming pool was opened last week, for the first time in Term 4. With the wonderful weather we are having, it was truly an essential part of the day when the children were able to enjoy the delights of the cooling water. It was a very popular time where everyone was keen to get in. Please remember to label togs and towels clearly as they quite often end up in lost property.



Unfortunately **our Pool is sick** and the pump pipe will be repaired by Wednesday. Children will be told when the pool is re-opened.

Reports

This weekend, I was able to read the first sets of the end of term report. This is always a busy time for all, - stressful for teachers with time constraints to complete them, as well as teaching every day in class. The reports I read were a tribute to those students' academic achievements and skills they have acquired and honed over the year. Well done.



Attendance

I thought I would just remind you, before you get a shock from reading your child's report, holidays taken during school term time are not justified absences.

The Ministry of Education and our attendance data shows that a number of students are taking holidays during school term time. Even though we know your reasons for doing so, according to the Ministry of Education criteria these are unjustified and are recorded as such on

the data base as well as absences on Term reports.

Look!

Thursday
30 November

Years 3/4 Athletics
9:30 am start

Friday 1 December
International
Food Fair

Tuesday 5 December
Year 3/4 Visit to
Marlborough Park

Year 5/6 Athletics
9:30 am start

5:30—6:30pm
Year 2 Parents/Pupils
Chromebook
Information evening

Thursday 7 December
Yr 5/6 Cluster Athletics

Friday 8 December
Juniors Prizegiving
9:15am
Middles Prizegiving
11:00am

Monday 11 December
Year 5 Prizegiving and
Year 6 Graduation
6:30pm

Tuesday 12 December
Yr 6 Disco
2018 Class Visits
10:00am

Thursday 14
December
Year 0/1/2 Athletics
9:30am start

Friday 15 December
12:30pm
School finishes for the
holidays

2018

Term Dates

Term 1

Wednesday 31 January
to Friday 13 April

Great News!

Mrs Smith and Miss Kim graduated from the provisionally certificated teachers programme on Friday night. Well done to you both. All your hard work has ensured you are both excellent fully registered teachers.

Library Stocktake

Please return all library books as soon as possible as we are having our annual stocktake of all the library books. Please bring them to the library and put them by the desk in the box provided.

Can you please check in bookcases, under beds, in cars and in bags to ensure that we have them back as soon as possible to count them all in readiness for next year.

Chromebook Information Evening - Tuesday 5th December from 5.30-6.30pm

This evening will be a drop-in session for **current Yr 2 pupils and parents** to see how Chromebooks are being used in our school, and an opportunity for parents to find out how they can purchase a device for their child for next year



Sunhats etc

Please make sure ALL items of your child's school uniform is named.



Principal's Awards

Patrick M for completing the Reading Recovery programme and sounding like a fluent reader.
Quintin K for his excellent diorama of Antarctica.

House Winner:

Last week saw **Rimu** with the house points competition for the week.

Weekly Merit Certificates

Room 1	Kevin W., Holly J.	Room 2	Shania L., Aashini K.
Room 3	Harmony M., Meleseini T.	Room 4	Alex H., Kiara W.
Room 5	Vanessa L., Momo G.,	Room 6	Jorja M., Wyan F.
Room 7	Adan B., Chetali P.	Room 8	William B., Vanessa J.
Room 10	Emma F., Siwon H.	Room 11	Michelle J., Ellamei M.
Room 12	Patrick M., Chloe C.,	Room 13	Alisa I., Hannah F.
Room 14	Benjamin L., Emma Rose G.	Room 15	Hadassah N., Pearl S., Millie E., Samantha A.

Have a great week everyone

Sue Buckley

'Learning is at the heart of our journey together'

Reminders:

- Sushi orders to the office by 12noon tomorrow
- Sunhats
- Named togs and towels on swimming days
- Return slips/\$2 for the Year3/4 Marlborough Park visit