



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

From the Principal's Pen

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A wonderful week at school where enthusiasm for everything that was on offer was shown by most of the children, and they took up the opportunities, culminating in a wonderful senior and junior combined assembly on Friday. The senior students were supportive of the youngest children in Room 6, helping them with their speaking parts and modelling assembly expectations. Well done to you all.

Year 5 and 6 Speech Finals

The finals were held in the hall on Thursday evening of last week. A first for us, with external judges choosing the winner. We welcomed Mr Mark Whitford, Principal of Glenfield Intermediate School, and Ms Lara Syddall, Leader of Learning, at Glenfield Intermediate as the officiating judges.

Our children rose to the challenge to speak clearly and with passion, in front of their own, and others, parents. They were confident, articulate and were highly praised for their efforts. The twelve finalists were: Daniel L., Zoe C., Nate C., Johnny X., Marco R., Olivia H., Sasha S., Mason D., Lukas B., Alisa I., Jacob F., and Tuaine R.

The winning speech was about his love and passion for Tomato Sauce, and why it should be classified as a superfood. Well done to Jacob Freestone who was very convincing in his argument. A big Thankyou to our Mcee's, judges, parents and teachers who attended.

Minifair

The Year 5/6 minifair was an outstanding success raising over \$1200 for the monitorial trip and camp. Well done to all those students who contributed with goods for sale, games to play etc and to all those student who remembered to bring their money to school on Wednesday to join in.

Cross Country at School this Wednesday 5 September

This will start with the Year 3 boys after morning tea, from 10:50am, followed by the Year 3 girls, then Year 4 boys, Year 4 girls, Year 5 boys, Year 5 girls, Year 6 boys, then Year 6 girls. The Year 2 children will run in the afternoon starting at 2:15pm, followed by the Year 0/1's.

All children will be to bring a pair of shorts and a t-shirt to run in, and a towel, in case they need hosing down from mud! Seniors Years 3-6 will also need to wear sandshoes/trainers that can get muddy.



Daffodil Day

We managed to raise the sum of **\$313.00** to support Cancer research. Well done! You all looked superb dressed in yellow, orange and green.

Friends of the School (FOS) - Chocolate Money

Outstanding chocolate money will now be invoiced for, and follow-up calls made.

Enrolments for 2018 and 2019

If you know of any soon-to-be 5 year olds for this year or next, please contact the office for an enrolment pack. This includes brothers and sisters of current students.

Leaving our school? Leavers who are not currently in Year 6, please let the Office know of your intentions, to help us with planning for next year.

Look!

Wednesday 5 September
School Cross Country

Thursday 6 September
Rippa Tournament

Thursday 20 September
Trash to Fashion
6:30pm in the Hall

2018

Term Dates

Term 4
Monday 15 October
to Friday 14 December

2019

Term Dates

Term 1
Monday 4 February
to Friday 12 April

Term 2
Monday 29 April
to Friday 5 July

Term 3
Monday 22 July
to Friday 27 September

Term 4
Monday 14 October
to
Wednes. 18 December

Weekly Merit Certificates - Congratulations to these students:

Room 1	Liam B., Lorraine L.	Room 2	Sean T., Shayaan K.
Room 3	Sashana S., Abdullah H.	Room 4	Johnny X., Joji S.
Room 5	Harry C., Arielle S.	Room 6	Katie A., Rhion K.
Room 7	Leo Y., Milly E.	Room 8	Eldon D., Callum D.
Room 10	Saila W., Vanessa J.	Room 11	Kai Z., Brian L.
Room 12	Daniel P., Jenny L.	Room 13	Abby E., Nazeeha F.
Room 14	Kaavya T., Simran S.	Room 15	Vraj P., Jorja S., Benjamin L., Tray S-S

Principal's Award

Chase PC for his writing about Forest School and car racing.

PB4L Gold Certificates

Tuini A., Room 16
Olivia H., Room 3



'Marlborough Has Talent'

In week 2 of Term 4, the Student Council will be holding 'Marlborough Has Talent'. It will be on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of that week. The winner will be performing at the International Food Festival.

To sign up, you will need to go to the hall or library doors and put your name down on the sign-up sheet.

Miniball

No games this week due to the Secondary school's tournament

Mobile Phones

Rummage around for those unwanted mobile phones to donate to Sustainable coastlines. Each year at least 8 million tonnes of plastic ends up in our oceans. The equivalent of a full garbage truck every minute! With "Beat Plastic Pollution" as the theme for this year's 'World environment Day' **we ask for your support by bringing into school any unwanted mobile phones you may have and dropping them into the Office.**

Phones collected help raise funds for Sustainable Coastlines - a multi award winning NZ Charity run by a small team of hard working staff and volunteers. Our school also benefits by gaining valuable rewards from the Mobile Phones we collect.

Have a great week everyone.

Sue Buckley

'Learning is at the heart of our journey together'

Friends of the School (FOS)

Calendar, Diary and Cards Fundraiser

The children have been very busy over the last few weeks creating some wonderful artwork for this year's fundraiser. Order forms will be coming home this Friday and orders will be accepted from Monday 10 September until Wednesday 26 September.

Artwork will be available to view in your child's classroom as of Monday 10 September.

You can choose to upload a favourite photo in place of their artwork, if you wish to do so. Further details about this will be on the order form.

These items make wonderful Christmas presents for family and friends, especially those who live overseas.

Repair Café

Bring your broken items to be repaired by volunteer experts from our community. Small electricals, clothes (inc school uniforms), bikes, toys, wooden items, small furniture and jewellery. Don't dump it in landfill, see if we can fix it! **Free** community event.

When: **Saturday 8 September**

10am - 1pm at Highbury Community House, 110 Hinemoa Street, Birkenhead.