Term 2 Week 11

Monday 22 June 2020

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

From the Principal's Pen

Dear Parents and Caregivers

A busy end for a very unusual term with only two weeks left to go and at the end of this week we have our 3-Way Conferences that were postponed from Term 1 due to COVID-19.

3-Way Conferences

Please remember that this Friday, 26 June, is Teacher-Only Day and therefore NO STUDENTS at school, as we are holding our 3-Way Conferences. They are called '3-Way' as your child is expected to attend, along with yourself and with the teacher's support (if needed) to share their learning journey so far and the next steps they have identified to work on. If you have forgotten or misplaced the very bright pink form, or it did not make it home, please ring the office and we can see what times are still available on that day.

As the term is moving on and everything is becoming more normal, or is it the 'new normal' for our school, we are looking at the systems we have in place to ensure that everyone is safe.

School Contact App

Flexibuzz/Tiqbizz our old school app is being discontinued by the company, at the end of this month, therefore, please download our school app <u>Kiwischools</u> To ensure you get online information and updates.

Entertainment Books

"Friends of the School' are our wonderful fund-raising group of parents who organize the use the selling of the Entertainment Books as a way of raising funds for our school - to provide for the additional items we use. Order your Digital Membership for the Entertainment Book and support our school. Bonus Offers available at the moment:

- \$10 Countdown Gift Card for a single-city membership
- \$20 Countdown Gift Card for a multi-city membership
- 2 months extra membership free

Please share with friends and family https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/953m43

COVID-19 Updates

From Ministry of Health under Level 1 and the Ministry of Education

- ⇒ Teachers are cleaning their tables every day if not twice a day
- ⇒ Hand sanitizer at every entry point
- ⇒ Please reinforce with your child the importance of washing their hands with soap, and completely drying them.
- ⇒ Show them how to blow their nose, and dispose of the tissues, also how to sneeze into their elbow.
- ⇒ Make sure your child has their own tissues at school in their bag for their own use.
- ⇒ Please remind your child not to share their food and to keep their drink bottle to themselves.
- ⇒ In a school environment, we need to be extra-vigilant.

If your child shows any symptoms of being unwell, keep them at home. If your child becomes unwell at school, they will be in the sick bay and will need to be collected immediately.

A few parents have asked whether we are going to return to normal, now that we are at Level 1, as they are missing the social interactions with parents during pick -up times. Other parents have been keen to share that they love the drop-off in

CALENDAR DATES

Friday 26 June

- Teacher-Only Day
- 3-Way Conferences 8:00am—4:00pm



2020

Term 2

Tuesday 28 April to Friday 3 July

Term 3

Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September

Term 4

Monday 12 October to Friday 11 December

the morning as they can then get on with their day, and the knock-on effect has been less cars around school and less congestion on adjoining roads. A win for 'walk into Wykeham'.

After school has been harder especially with the weather influences. We have found the independence of the seniors walking home first, has seen an increase in their confidence to be organised to leave with all their belongings, and to meet up with their parents off the school site. A great learning curve in readiness and preparation for Intermediate School.

The juniors have shown great courage as they have mastered which gate they leave from, and getting their belongings organised for going home. Their independence is shining through.

But, we will be trialling:

Moving forward for the last week of term, we will be continuing with the morning drop off at the gates, as it sets the children up for the day of learning and gives the teachers the opportunity to sort out any issues they might have.

If any parents want to collect their children from the school grounds, then the gates will be open at 2:55pm. We ask that you wait in the courtyards and not sit on the benches outside the classrooms, (as this distracts the children) for your children to come out to you with their bags and belongings.

Lastly, could you please not allow your pre-schoolers to play on the playgrounds. Thank you.

The school bell will ring at 3:00pm for school to end. Children who walk home alone, can leave by the Wykeham gate as the new 'normal' and go home. Teachers will still be on the gates at Archers Rd and Chartwell Ave for parents who wish to collect them from their new 'normal' gates. At the 3-Way Conferences could you please let your child's teacher know where you will be collecting your child, or if they have permission to walk home independently.

A second bell will ring at 3:10pm for all parents and children to leave the school grounds. The gates will then be locked after this to ensure that our site remains clean for the next days learning and activities.

QR Codes

The Ministry of Health's NZ COVID Tracer app page has instructions to help you download the app. Please use the QR code on doors and windows, to record your visit to our school site.

New Enrolments—Proposed enrolment zone

Do you have a younger sibling that is due to start school? Please check out our website and look at the proposed 'enrolment scheme' (zone) for our school. This will take effect at the beginning of the school year of 2021

Anyone who is due to start at our school **this year**, is an automatic enrolment. Please get your forms in to register your place, so we can organise staffing.

If you are currently enrolled at our school, you do not need to worry about the proposed zone. You automatically stay on our school roll. If you have siblings of currently attending children, and you are living out of our proposed zone in January 2021, you will need to apply for an 'out of zone' enrolment consideration. The Board will be releasing this information as soon as the zone is confirmed. Any queries, please contact the Board of Trustees Chairperson (Cherie Holland) via the school office (office@marlboroughprimary.school.nz)

Merit Certificates for last week

Room 1	Cindy J., Giverley M.	Room 11	Jacob N., Katie A.
Room 2	Miah C., Prisha U.	Room 12	Kelly L., Mikayla M.
Room 3	Hadassah N., Tobias O.	Room 13	Evelyn M., Zoey J.
Room 4	Chirag P., Nathan E.	Room 14	Emma X., Jonathan N.
Room 5	Zhymon C., Asiya H.,	Room 15	Lennan S., Nathaniel D.
Room 6	Alice W., Luis É.	Room 16	Alexis B., Khushi P.
Room 7	-	Room 17	Michael B., Akshana S.
Room 8	Nathan M., Penelope G.	Room 18	-
Room 9	Lilly S., Lewis E.	Room 19	Tia S., Giovanni A.
Room 10	Jacob N., Zach T.		

These certificates are presented in class by the Principal, Mrs Sue Buckley and Mrs Deanne Wotton (DP)

Have a great week everyone Sue Buckley (Principal)

'Learning is at the heart of our journey together'