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# Term 4 - Week 2

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

An update for you all .....

#### Week 3

Monday 26 October – NO SCHOOL for children (Labour Day) Tuesday 27 October - NO SCHOOL for children (Government agreed ACCORD day for Teachers)

## **Archers Road**

Road Works are being carried out for the next 2-3 weeks. Please be aware it might cause delays when dropping off and collecting children.

## **Proposed School Zone**

This will not be in place until Term 2, 2021 - 3 May. Therefore, until the beginning of Term 2, we will not have a school zone and everyone is entitled to enrol at our school. At present, we are working out the exact details with the Ministry of Education. Once agreed to by the Board of Trustees, we will then give you an update.

## Property Update ......

#### PE Shed

This has been finished, and last week all the equipment was moved into it for storage. This will create easier access for use and storage, and replaces the one that was demolished over Christmas, and also enabling us to reorganize the PMP cupboard ready for use in 2021. This programme for Juniors has been sadly missed this year.

## **Old Dental Clinic**

This has been refurbished and reconfigured internally, allowing us to have one space that has a heat pump, blinds, carpets and insulation. In Term 4 it is being used for Learning Support programmes with Mrs Light, and as a space for teachers or other professionals to undertake testing or hold meetings. In 2021, it will be designated as a 'Maker Space' for classes to use.

## **Top Court**

This has been levelled and the retaining wall raised to accommodate. We are waiting for the new fencing to go around it and for the line markings to be painted on. The fencing by the old dental clinic will be made higher to help alleviate the basket balls from going over!

#### Rooms 1-4 toilet blocks and cloakbays

We have re-configured these so that the toilets have external access, and are new. The old toilet areas and cloakbays have been transformed into 'breakout' spaces to work in, and within this space is a single toilet block, that has entry from the break out space. This is in case we ever have a 'lockdown' scenario – which means the children have access to toilets. The new cloakbays are located outside the classrooms with a waterproof archgola over the top.

#### Library

This will be reconfigured over the Christmas holidays. The two office areas will become part of the main library to create more space for classes to use and enjoy, and also for more books.

### **Future Property developments**

- We will be having a storeroom being delivered which will house all school resources. This will replace some of the areas that were demolished earlier this year. It will enable all resources to be in one area reading books, journals, maths equipment etc. We are all looking forward to this happening. It means we can remove the container which currently stores some of our equipment.
- Over the Christmas holiday period we will be renewing the main school carpark and installing underneath it a drainage tank to stop the carpark from flooding in heavy rain. The reconfiguring will mean we have an additional car park and there will be an additional 2-3 spaces around by the sliding gate entrance.
- Four new classrooms (with toilets and an office) will be delivered on site over Christmas this means we will once again have a Hall in 2021!

#### **Principal's Awards**

Sophia B., for sharing her Writing goals for Term 4; Ari M., for sharing his goals in Writing very creatively; Emma F., for demonstrating her Writing goals through her writing. Well done to them all.

Ariel G., Jorja M., Ryan L., and Tina L., for the wonderful printed artwork of Birds.

Regards

Sue Buckley Principal