



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

From the Principal's Pen

Dear Parents and Caregivers

It has been a fantastic start to Term 2, with lots of enthusiastic children who want to share their knowledge and experiences with others. The different Inquiry units happening across the school has created lots of talk and opportunity to share new findings, and 'aha' moments. It is lovely to see and hear this happening when I walk through the school.

What a wonderful turnout for the Book Character parade this morning - the children were very enthusiastic as were the teachers. The amazing character Costumes were very inventive. The children put on a wonderful parade on the catwalk in the hall, and all took part as they celebrated the start of Book Fair Week. Cramped conditions, wonderful atmosphere. Well done to all.

The Book Fair is open before school from 8:30am—9:00am and from 3:00pm—4:00pm Monday to Thursday.
You can pay for your purchases by that old fashioned thing called 'money' (coins or notes) or we do have an eftpos machine available as well.

Last Friday saw us holding assemblies for the Year 1-2 and also the Year 3-6 in the hall. It was lovely to see how proud the children were as they shared their work with the audience - be it parents or their peers. They confidently spoke and shared their work. Well done to you all.

Week 1 saw the start of the Netball and Miniball trainings at school - some before school and some at lunchtime. The children love the challenge and being part of the team, especially if they can see the skills practiced and learned, being used on game day.



Pink Shirt Day - Friday 21 May

Join us this Friday as we Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora - Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

In Aotearoa, Pink Shirt Day works to create schools, workplaces, communities and whānau where everyone feels safe, valued and respected. To increase our acceptance of diversity, the students are also encouraged to wear shirts in one of the colours of the rainbow.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L)

Marlborough Primary School continues to be a proud PB4L school, teaching our expectations of: Respect Myself, respect People and Respect Surroundings, through in-class teaching and weekly assemblies. Students are directly taught behavioural expectations in different settings, for example, how to treat books in the library, where to play at break times, or how to resolve conflicts with friends.

We reward positive behaviours through a whole-school reward system where students earn certificates for 10, 20, 40, 80 or 100 stamps or stickers. It would be fabulous for whanau to follow through on these lessons at home and discuss what 'respect' means to your family and culture. Teaching (and then re-teaching) your expectations will allow the child to fully understand how they ought to behave.

Little rewards (these can be totally free) will help to focus on the positives and decrease those negative behaviours.

Our teaching at the moment has surrounded greeting adults respectfully. Encourage your child to greet their teachers and peers with eye-contact and their name. This helps make MPS such a lovely place to work and learn.

CALENDAR DATES

♦ **Monday-Thursday 17-20 May**
Book Fair

Cake/Bake sale
3:00-4:00pm

♦ **Friday 21 May**
Pink Shirt Day

♦ **Tuesday 2 June**
Choir rehearsal at
Epsom Normal Primary

♦ **Monday 7 June**
Queen's Birthday
Weekend
School Closed for instruction

♦ **Friday 25 June**
Kai Hui Ako Day
Accord Day
School Closed for instruction

Term Dates

2021

Term 2
Monday 3 May to
Friday 9 July

Term 3
Monday 26 July to
Friday 1 October

Term 4
Monday 18 October
to
Monday 13 Dec.

Leaving School

If you are collecting your child early from school (before 3pm), you MUST go to the school office to sign them out. This is for Health and Safety, so we know who is on, or off our school site.

Holidays During Term Time.

If your child is going to be away on holiday during the school term please notify the Office directly - either by phone (481 0365) or email (office@marlboroughprimary.school.nz).

Please note: holidays taken during term time are classified as 'unjustified' by the Ministry of Education.

Uniform Reminders

We are very proud of our uniform - so please ensure your child wears the correct clothing to school. Name your child's clothing - lots of polar fleece jumpers have been collected and placed in the Lost Property and they are not named!

Please pack a spare set of clothes in case your child falls on the muddy field, or has an accident in the toilets and needs a change.



Have a great week everyone

Sue Buckley

“Learning is at the heart of our journey together”

School Docs

To view our school's policies, head to the following website:

www.schooldocs.co.nz

Login: Marlborough (lowercase)

Password: primary (lower case)



Skool Loop App

Please be aware that we are no longer using the KiwiSchools app.

Please download the Skool Loop app and register with your child's class

