



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

From the Principal’s Pen
Dear Parents and Caregivers

It does not seem possible that we are already into Week 5 of the term. Where has the time gone? - we still have so much we want to do!

As normal, we are trying to fit in as much as possible - over the last 2 weeks we have had **Pink Shirt Day/Rainbow Shirt Day**, - and what a wonderful turn out that was from the whole school; and last Friday was **Gumboot Day** - dancing to jump jam music in gumboots, and gumboot throwing. The children loved it!

Last week we had most classes (those with adequate parental supervision) walk to **Glenfield Public Library** and experience what it can offer. Some of the feedback from parents was that they had not been there since they left school, and how amazing it was! They were all keen to get a library card for their child—so they could access the library services during the holidays as well.

On **Wednesday** of this week, if the weather remains kind to us, we will be having a morning of **tabloid sports** which all children will take part in. It looks like it will be a fun time for all. Photos will come in the next newsletter.

This **Friday**, Glenfield Intermediate School will visit our Year 6 students and showcase their Roadshow.

There will also be an opportunity for **parents of Year 6 children to meet the Principal and/or Deputy Principal of GIS in the Library on Thursday at 2:30pm** to find out more about their school and what it offers to students.

Bullying

This word is full of negative connotations and used by a lot of people and the Media, to explain incidents that occur in society. The definition of bullying is: “does it happen everyday?” If the answer is ‘yes’, then it is bullying, and it needs to be shared with the class teacher as soon as possible, so that the school can provide support to both the victim and the bully.

If it is a one-off incident, and although it can still be upsetting, it still needs to be shared with an adult - but it is NOT bullying.

Change of Contact Information

If you change your contact phone numbers, or emergency contact details, please let the Office know on: office@marlboroughprimary.school.nz.

Sickness

Winter is coming, as experienced by myself at the Wykeham Place gate each morning. That wind can be so chilly! Please ensure all winter clothing is named. If your child is sick with a cough, cold, runny nose, vomiting etc, please **KEEP THEM AT HOME UNTIL THEY ARE BETTER**.

We are trying to protect all staff and students and their families. When a cold, cough, runny nose can result in having a COVID test being requested by the Doctor you must be away from school or work whilst waiting for the test results.

Walk in to Wykeham

It is wonderful to see our children walking into Wykeham Place, and the knock-on effect of less cars entering. This week, as I have continued to be on gate duties, I have certainly been aware of the increase in the number of cars as the weather gets colder, or when it rains. Can we please try to keep the number of cars entering Wykeham Place to a minimum, as this will mean the crossings are safer for all as we encourage the/your children to walk to meet you.



CALENDAR DATES

◆ **Tuesday 1 June**
Choir rehearsal at Epsom Normal Primary

◆ **Thursday 3 June**
GIS information meeting 2:30pm in Library

◆ **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.

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.

Our Neighbours

Please do not park/pull in to, or park across our neighbours driveways, or on the dotted yellow lines near our school gates, while your child exits/gets in your car as you drop off/pick up. There is always more parking if you park in Lingfield Street or at Marlborough Park, and walk into school using the nearest pedestrian gate. We rely on the goodwill of our neighbours at pick up and drop off times. We do not want to abuse the support they provide, by being inconsiderate with parking.

Advance Notice

There will be a **Teacher-Only Day on Friday 25 June**, where the school is not open for classroom instruction on this particular day. This day is one of the additional days that the Ministry of Education agreed on last year, that teachers could have in 2020, 2021 and 2022.

Principal’s Awards

Malakai B., for writing his full name independently. Excellent work.
Nathan M., for successful completion of the Reading Recovery Programme. Well done. You read so well.

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



Exciting News! Now is the time to Buy your Entertainment Book!

For a Limited time Entertainment Book are offering a FREE upgrade from a Single City Membership to a Multi City Membership!

Yep, that’s right! For the first time ever, anybody who purchases a \$69.99 Single City Membership will be upgraded to a Multi City Membership valued at \$119.99 for FREE! That’s a \$50 saving and access to over 10,000 offers!!!

As we are currently unable to travel overseas, people are exploring Australia and New Zealand a LOT more, which makes the Multi City Membership the perfect option.

We think this is going to be huge so there is one thing you need to do...let everybody know! This is a limited time offer and it ends Monday, June 14th at 11.59pm NZDT, so be quick!

<https://nz.entdigital.net/orderbooks/953m43>

Marlborough Primary School

Be in to win a \$10,000 sports grant for our school!

AA Insurance are giving one North Island and one South Island primary school the chance to win one of two \$10,000 grants. We can spend it on whatever will help the children tackle their sporting dreams. It could be turf on the courts, extra coaching sessions, bus hire to a game, - the ideas are endless! Winning takes team work, so spread the word and ask colleagues, parents, friends and the community to nominate Marlborough School and tell AA Insurance why our school needs the support of \$10,000!

