NEWSLETTER TERM I WEEK II ~

School News

This Friday will be the last day of Term 1 and we have certainly achieved a lot in just 11 weeks of school. We have welcomed 26 new students and 3 new staff members. Our roll is currently 190 and we have 6 more students set to join us next term. We have enjoyed learning about the Living World- through the rocky shore environment and we have also learnt a lot about our Awhina group trees and spent time learning with our buddies in our Awhina groups.

We are excited to announce that Mrs Petrie (Piwakawaka Teacher) is expecting her first baby and will be heading off on maternity leave towards the end of Term 2.

Just a reminder that school starts at 9am, so you need to ensure your child/children are here by 8:55am at the latest. If your child arrives at school after 9am they need to come to the school office and let Andrea know they have arrived so she can update the attendance register. If you do not do this you may receive a text asking why your child is away- this causes undue stress on both staff and yourself if you think your child is not in the school grounds.

Reminders

- Ice blocks for sale every Friday lunchtime- \$2 each.
- Our school website has a live Google Calendar if you need to check school events and also all the teachers contact email addresses.
- School finishes for Term 1
 on Friday 12th April at
 3pm.





Celebrations

A group of students competed in the X Race over the weekend and had lots of fun doing this alongside their parents. Congratulations Scarlett, Fletcher, Cami, Georgia, Samantha and Cameron.

Lucy and Leah were awarded certificates and medals for their accomplishments in gymnastics. Aidan is the Year 7 Boys Auckland Champion for the Orienteering Sprint Series. Congratulations Aidan this is a fantastic achievement.







Pick Up Zones

Pick up in the afternoons can be a little bit hectic and we are aware that our school is on a very busy road and the traffic often moves very fast past our gates.

The carpark at the front of the school between 2:45-3:15pm is a pick up bay ONLY. Please stay in your car and wait for your child/children to be brought to your car by the teacher on duty. This is also means you are in your car and can move forward as the cars at the front exit the bay. Please do not leave your car parked in this bay as it causes a back log of cars trying to turn into the driveway.

If you want to get out of your car and wait for your child/children in the school grounds then please park on the road.

If you are driving and trying to turn right into the driveway and there is no where to go please keep driving and turn around down the road and come back a few minutes later- do not stay in the lane and hold up the traffic behind you.

If you park opposite the school on the road please model good and safe road safety practices by crossing the road at the pedestrian crossing. It is unsafe to walk across the road with your children amongst the traffic.

If you pick your child/children up from the carpark by the school hall you also need to remain in your cars and move all the way forward in two lanes so we can get the cars moving quickly. If you need to see a teacher or come into the school for any reason please park in the area closer to the tree line. Please do not park across the driveway beside the hall.

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday 10th April- Ukulele & Spanish
- Thursday 11th April- Year 7 & 8 Technology at Maramarua
- Friday 12th April- Ice blocks for sale at lunchtime & End of term Assembly at 2pm in the hall. School finishes at 3pm.
- School begins for Term 2 on Monday 29th April.
- Thursday 2nd May- Junior School theatre trip and Senior School- Botanic Gardens trip.
- Friday 3rd May- School Disco- theme is "Things that go together." So you can come dressed to match a friend like- Mickey and Minnie, bucket and spade, Barbie and Ken, Batman and Robin.
- Think creatively and have fun with your outfit ideas. You could also do a group costume idea. The Student Leaders are running this Disco so they will have some prizes for awesome costumes.
- Students in Year 1-4 Disco times are 5:00- 6:30pm
- Students in Year 5-8 Disco times are 5:00-7:30pm
- Tickets will be \$5 per child and we will have food, drinks and sweets available for purchase on the night.
- Tickets can be brought through Kindo or with cash in the first week back at school.
 Food and drinks can be purchased on the night and you will need cash for this.
- There will be a room open next to the hall for parents/caregivers to relax in while the kids dance and make noise. This will be a good chance to meet other parents and make connections. You are welcome to stay in the hall if you like- we are just providing an alternative option as well.

Holiday Options



Brain Play is thrilled to offer an incredible lineup of holiday programmes designed to ignite the curiosity and creativity of Kiwi kids aged 5 to 13. Join us all over Auckland and Hamilton for Minecraft adventures, STEM workshops, animation, coding, robots and more! We offer a wide range of full day holiday programmes and free workshops! Book your child's spot today at <u>https://www.brainplay.co.nz</u> and unlock their limitless potential."

Franklin Basketball Holiday Camp

This Intro Beginners Holiday Camp is for anyone in the community who would like to give bask ball a go. Come along and have some fun with us these holidays. Boys & Girls Ages 8-15, all welcon

Come hang out on the basketball court with us these holidays! There will be lots of learning, growth development, friendships and more.

Link below

Intro Holiday Camp Rego

https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLScZv-FQZcu3Lv.../viewform

Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th April Franklin Pool and Leisure Centre (29 Franklin Road Pukekohe).

Per day \$45 | Both days \$80

9am-3pm

