

Kia Ora Tātou Katoa

Petra Carruthers

It is with great sadness we say farewell to Petra Curruthers at the end of Term 3. We will miss her laughter and sense of fun. Please join me in wishing Petra all the best as she seeks medical treatment in the coming weeks. We welcome Amie Campbell stepping in to teach Koru in Term 4.

Lunch Timetable Changing in Term 4

Our school timetable will be a little different in Term 4. Lunchtime will be 11am - 11:40am to get students through the two morning learning sessions with plenty of food. If you've signed a form to say that your child will be eating a school lunch, then be assured they are receiving plenty of healthy food at school, so you don't need to send a lunch from home. You are welcome to send a SMALL snack, which they will eat during the 1:30pm afternoon tea break. If you wish to opt your child out of the school lunches, please see Mary in the school office.

Parking

Reminder that the PSV-accessible vehicle parking spot in front of the school on Alfred St is reserved from 8am until 4pm weekdays for the bus and taxis that drop off and pick up students. It is not available for whānau to park here during these times. The Vanpool parking spot in the school's Seymour Street car park is reserved at all times for the vanpool/carpool, which comes and goes several times a day. Please do not park in either space, as doing so creates a very dangerous situation for our tamariki embarking and disembarking organised transportation.

Ngā mihi, Denyse

Important Dates

Gold Grit Assembly Friday

Friday, Sept 24

Students will attend a Gold GRIT assembly on Friday. Unfortunately, as we are still in Level 2, parents will not be able to attend.

Mufti Day On Tuesday

Tuesday, Sept 28

Dress up in your best SUNSMART outfit — a colourful shirt and cool hat — next Friday as part of our "Get Spotted" melanoma/skin cancer awareness theme.

Breakfast Club

Mondays and Tuesdays

Come to Breakfast Club at 8:15 in the Hall on Monday and Tuesday morning for fun games and a great, nutritious breakfast. Free to everyone. See you there.

Get Spotted: Melanoma/Skin Cancer Prevention Week

“Get Spotted” is the school’s theme next week as we undertake some melanoma/skin cancer awareness activities at lunchtimes. The activities are being planned and will be run by a small leadership group of Year 5 students — next year’s seniors. Activities will include spotty-hat decorating, a SUNSMART treasure hunt, a colouring competition, a game of Musical Spots, and a mufti day.

Mufti Day on Tuesday

As part of our “Get Spotted” melanoma/skin cancer awareness theme, we’ll have a mufti day on Tuesday, September 28. Students are encouraged to dress up in a spotty outfit and be sunsmart. Hints: Slip on a shirt; slop on some sunscreen; slap on a hat. Go on — strut your stuff in your most colourful shirt and your coolest (or weirdest!) hat.

Breakfast Club is Back!

Breakfast Club is back on, starting on Monday. It operates Monday and Tuesday mornings starting at 8:15 in the Hall. It’s free, and everyone is welcome, including whānau, to join this time of kai and games. Our thanks to the Marlborough Community Development Trust, and to Trish and her amazing team, for providing fun times and a filling breakfast.

Touch Rugby Pre-Season Introduction

Year 3-4 students wanting to play touch rugby need to make themselves available for the pre-season introduction. Students wanting to be considered for the development teams may want to take part in the Extender Series. Touch games start Thursday, Oct 21 and end December 9.

Summer Sports

Have you returned your child’s sports form indicating their choice of Summer sport? If not, please do so as soon as possible so we can get everyone into a team.

Basketball

There will be two games in the first week of the holidays for each basketball team. If they play on a Monday, both games will be on the first Monday of the holidays. If they play on a Wednesday, both games will be on the first Wednesday of the holidays.

Lunchtime Chess Club

Lunchtime Chess Club is back on track, now operating on Tuesdays in the old staffroom (Nicole’s room). Finish your lunch on the verandah first, then come and have a game of chess.