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## NEWSLETTER FOUR, TERM THREE

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## KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, AND WELCOME.

Welcome to the new children and their whanau who have recently joined our school this week: Helaina and Kyra.

### **COVID-19 Alert Level 2**

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting us by following the Alert Level 2 guidelines we reintroduced last week. These guidelines will be in place until we are advised these are no longer required. Below are the admin guidelines we ask parents/caregivers and whanau to follow.



All children are expected to attend school unless they are unwell.

# **Start of Day Drop off**

- All children are to come in through the front gate in the morning. <u>All other gates will be locked during the day.</u> We are asking all parents/caregivers and whanau to remain outside the school gates.
- Any adult or family member who NEEDS to come on site must register using either the COVID-19 Tracer App and QR code provided or the paper register. The COVID-19 register can be downloaded at Apple App store or Google Play. This is for contact tracing purposes. All information will be held at the school.
- Any children arriving at school between 8.30-9.00am will need to go straight to their classroom. Any children arriving after 9.00am will need to check in at the office.

# **End of Day Pick-up**

We are asking all parents/caregivers and whanau to remain outside the school gates. Your children will be delivered to you ©

- At the end of the day we will have three pick-up points to avoid congestion and to help us manage distancing at school. Pick up for family groupings the oldest child to collect siblings and then go to the youngest child's collection point.
- Main School Gate: Kowhai Block Rooms 8, 9, 10 & 11
- Montgomery Street "Matt's Gate" Rooms 12, 13, 14 & 15
- Hall Entrance Gate Rooms 1, 23, 4 & 5

A teacher will be on the gate -10 minutes before school finishes to help manage children leaving the school grounds.

ALL OTHER GATES AROUND SCHOOL WILL BE LOCKED AT ALL TIMES.

#### SICK CHILDREN

Thank you to the parents/caregivers who are keeping their sick children at home. This is helping keep our school healthy and safe. If you are keeping children home, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE. We are continuing to ask that even if children are feeling slightly unwell, they need to remain at home and parents contact school. We ask that parents take their children to see the doctor if they are showing any symptoms linked to COVID-19 such as a fever, cough, sore throat, loss of taste or smell.

If children display any signs of illness at school, we will put a face mask on them, put them in the medical room and contact parents/caregivers to come and pick them up.

# **Classroom Hygiene**

- classrooms will be arranged to cater for "Moist Breath Zone" distancing. We will do all we can to provide spaces and environments where children have appropriate space in classrooms and in the school grounds.
- all classrooms have been supplied with disinfectant, bars of soap, liquid soap, hand sanitizer and towels.
- we will follow the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health guidelines around distancing, using the "Moist Breath Zone" rule for distancing. A video has been produced for children coming back to school.
  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yZvtoVrykb8&feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yZvtoVrykb8&feature=youtu.be</a> Please show this to your children and talk with them about keeping distance to help everyone stay well.

<u>Morning Tea & Lunch breaks</u> – children will eat at their desks/tables inside their classrooms – 10 minutes morning tea, 15 minutes at lunch time.

<u>**Drinking Fountains**</u> – these will remain closed while we are in Alert Level 2. Children are to bring named water bottles to school.

THERE IS TO BE NO SHARING OF FOOD OR DRINKS AT SCHOOL.

We have postponed this trip due to Alert Level 2. We will wait to see what happens with Alert Levels before setting a new date for this trip.

## AVALON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING



An information evening for parents and Year 6 students will be held at Avalon Intermediate School on Thursday 20 August 6pm - 7:30pm.

#### **HEAD LICE**



We have been informed by some parents that their children have headlice. We ask that you please check your children's hair, especially if you notice them scratching. Information about preventing the spread of headlice can be found at the following website <a href="https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice">https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice</a>. We have some treatment products available at school. Please contact the school office for advice and support.

## CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

We have a lot of lost property gathering around the school again, mostly un-named. Please make sure all clothing is named and check your children are bringing their clothing home with them each day. Please check the lost property for any of your children's clothing.





<u>50 Cent Stalls</u> – No 50 cent stalls this week. We will reassess this at the end of this week.

LUCKY BOOK CLUB – <u>only online orders are being taken</u>. No cash will be accepted at school. All orders for Term 3 need to be in by Friday 11 September.



#### **ENROLMENTS**

Do you have or know of any 5-year old children who are starting school this year? New student enrolment forms are available at the office or on our website under "About us". If you require further information, please contact the office on 939 9707 or message us on our school website or Facebook page.

# WHATS COMING UP THIS TERM?

# Term 3

Week 5

• Wednesday 19 August: Board of Trustees Meeting

Week 6

- Monday 24 & Tuesday 25 August: Multi Sports Festival for selected students (TBC) Week 8
  - Monday 7- Friday 11 September: Takaro programme in school
  - Wednesday 9 September: Board of Trustees Meeting
  - Sunday 20 September: Year 6 Swimathon at SV Pool 4.30-6.00pm

Week 10

- Monday 21 & Tuesday 22 September: Multi sports Festival for selected students
- Tuesday 22 September: Rimurimu citizen science field trip all day 1213
- Thursday 24 September: Rimurimu citizen science field trip all day 1213

• Friday 25 September: End of Term 3

Ngā mihi nui Dave Lamont, Principal

## **SPORTS NOTICES**

Can everyone please keep an eye on school Facebook page for updates about sports.

- Cricket in school has been postponed until September 7th
- All Netball cancelled until we are back in Alert Level 1.
- Please return all interzone notices as soon as possible.

# **Interzone Cross Country update from Lower Hutt Primary Schools Sports Association (LHPSSA)**

We are pleased to have confirmed a new date for the Interzone Cross Country - Friday 28th August at Trentham Memorial Park. This event will take place on this date, provided the weather plays its part and we are at Covid-19 Alert Level 1.

If this event cannot proceed due to weather, or Covid-19 alert level restrictions, we will select the regional team through the means outlined below under plan B.

PLAN B: If the weather is bad or we are in Alert Level 2, 3 or 4 on Friday 28th August, then the Inter-zone Cross Country will be cancelled this year. In this case, the LHPSSA team to compete at regionals will be selected. We appreciate that this is not ideal, nor will it be perceived as fair by all.

- Year 4 students: top 3 place getters from the SW Zone event, top 3 place getters from SE Zone event and top 4 place getters from the combined North/Central Zones event (this is a similar ratio to how it works currently between the 4 zones).
- Year 5 and 6 students: top 2 place getters from the SW Zone event, top 2 place getters from the SE Zone event and top 4 place getters from the combined North/Central event. The last 2 places will go to students that got through to Inter Regionals or Regionals (in that order) in 2019, but weren't in the top 2 for their Zone in this year's event and would have missed out otherwise. The decision by the Director of Sport (myself) in this circumstance will have had a lot of thought and consideration go into it and the decision will be final.

#### ENJOY THE SIMPLE THINGS WHIST SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL!

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