

Wednesday 1 July 2020



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

**Community Consultation: Covid-19 Alert Level 1**

Seeing the news at night makes me feel so grateful to be living in New Zealand. The stories from overseas show millions of people now getting sick and countries in crises. While we are at **Alert level 1** we need to do two things. Manage the borders and that's the Governments job and our job is to continue keeping up our good hand washing practices. Soap not only kills the Covid virus but it also kills general cold and flu bugs too. As we



**sick Doctor's visits are free for children under 14 years old.**

**Term Mid-Year Goal refresh**

At the beginning of the year in our first Triadic Interviews (Pupil/Parent/Teacher) we set goals for your child to work on. Covid-19 then came along and had us all in lock down at home. Learning has been interrupted not just for us but for every school in the country so don't worry. It's probably timely though that we revisit your child's goals. In Term Three we will resend out the goals that were written back in March. If you are happy with what was agreed on and you know how to support your son or daughter then we just continue to focus

move into winter please reinforce handwashing at home as we will at school and let's try and keep everyone healthy.

**A reminder too if your child is**

on these goals. If you need more help or think we need to revisit the goals, then in Term Three Wk 2 you are invited to come in after school and meet with your child's teacher and look at the goals and how to support them. A letter with more details about this will be sent out at the beginning of Term III.

**Eat my Lunch; Art work**



**Some of our delightful artist from Rm12.**

Earlier this term Rm12 worked on a huge painting on canvas as part of a fundraiser for Eat My Lunch. Our tamariki certainly had a lot of fun doing it. The art work is now going up for auction and they hope to make about \$500 from it. The money will go to help provide quality lunches for free for those whanau who need this support.

**Roll growth: Rm 2**



It has been wonderful to see nearly everyone back at school and our numbers are still growing. In Term Three we will be opening another classroom for our delightful five year

olds who are continuing to join us. Opening another classroom will mean we may need to re-group some children in our existing Year 1 classes. This will give us smaller class sizes and more individual attention for your child. Ms Kher will be our new teacher for R2. A letter with full details will be sent home to those involved.

**Health and Well-being**

The dental clinic will be back at school again in Term III and will be again checking our tamariki's teeth. Last time they were here one of the dentists spoke to me at length about sugar and the damaging effects it has on teeth. Lollies, sweets, fizzy drinks are just bad news for a child's tooth enamel and the sugar eats away at the teeth and destroys them. **Simple as that: sugar in sweets and fizzy drinks destroy your child's teeth.** So for that reason in the Junior School we have a ban on fizzy drinks. If you wish to give this as an occasional treat please do this at home. **The dentist said that the best thing for your child is water and milk.** Thank you for your support with this.



**NB. Remember we all need to brush our teeth twice a day: once after breakfast and after dinner at night.**



**Lost property**

At the moment we have three jumbo sized bags of uniform in the resource room and this gear is worth a fortune. We have jumpers, gold skivvies, blue shorts and raincoats and they all belong to your children. However without any names on them we can't tell what belongs to who. We have asked children to

come in to check but they can't tell. So this Thursday and Friday if your child has lost a uniform item please feel free to come in and check and that missing jumper you are looking for might just be sitting in one of these bags



**Junior Awards**

The hardest working pupil this week are: Valu Hiko R7 for being a hard worker throughout the week.

**End of term dates**

Time goes so fast and I can hardly believe it but the end of Term II is drawing close. **School will finish for the pupil's break on Friday 3rd July at 2.45pm.** **We will recommence for Term III on Monday 20th July at our usual time of 8.45am.**

I hope you are able to take time out during the break and enjoy your child. Spend time with your kids they are only little once and grow so fast.

Yours truly,  
**John Shearer**  
**Principal**

**Return Slip** (Return this slip and go in the draw for a book prize!)

I have received the newsletter & I have read it.

Signed.....

