

Wednesday 23rd March 2021



Dear Parents/Whanau,

Community Consultation: Covid-19 Alert L. 1

We are at Covid Alert Level 1. The Ministry of Education and Health have said that it is safe for children to be at school and to get on with their learning. Again, the simplest but most important thing that we all can do is wash our hands. It kills the virus immediately. We will also continue to remind pupils to stay home if they are unwell and to seek medical advice.



Stranger Danger

There has been a report of a man approaching a College Student in the Mayfield area really frightening her. This incident is now with the Police. Perhaps this incident is a good reminder that we need to talk with our children and refresh the Stranger Danger concepts. While most people are good there are some who are mentally unwell and could hurt a child. So your child needs to know:



Don't take anything from strangers like sweets, chocolate etc.

Don't go anywhere with someone you don't know.

If you are approached by a stranger, seek help immediately and tell a trusted adult.

You need to also talk to your child about: walking to and from school in a family/friends group. Never alone. You need to go straight to school and straight back home with no detours.

This is probably just an abundance of caution but I'd rather you talk with your child about this just in case.

Community Consultation: Goal Setting

We have Goal setting next week- Thursday 1st April. This will be a full day of parent child teacher meetings so whanau have more opportunity to choose a time that they can make and discuss their child's progress and next steps. There will be no normal classes on Thursday 1st April. A letter with full details and a booking sheet has been sent home. You need to select what time suits you and return the form back to your child's teacher. We will then do the best we can to accommodate your needs. As I have said before it is only in partnership that we can get the best learning outcomes for your child.



Free School lunch programme: Yum!

The Junior School free lunch programme continues to be a hit and has been delicious. The plan is to give every child a quality healthy lunch every day and at the same time this will help save you money. Our lunch programme is in partnership with Pita Pit and alongside this we have our Fruit in Schools programme so your



child's nutritional needs are well taken care of. As a result of the Free Lunch programme the tuck shop has closed. Middle and Senior School lunch programmes will start later this month.

Duffy Assembly

On Monday 29th March we will be holding our next Duffy Assembly at 9.30am in the Junior/Middle School gym. I hope you can join us as we celebrate reading and the accomplishments of the term.



Museum EOTC

Just a final reminder that on - Tuesday 30 March (Rooms 5,8,12) and DAY 2- Wednesday 31 March (Rooms 7,9,18) our Senior Syndicate will be going to the

Auckland Museum to study biodiversity and how to be a scientist. Pretty cool. A letter with full details has been sent home to those involved and permission forms must be returned for your child to take part. Again this Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) is all this free.



Easter Dates

This year Easter begins on Friday 2nd April which is Good Friday, and the Easter Break continues through to Tuesday 6th April. School recommences on Wednesday 7th April at 8.45am.



Junior Award

The hardest working pupils this week are: Joseph Vaimeia and Azaliyah Vaituliao in Rm16 for working hard on their spelling words. Our congratulations to both these pupils.

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.....

