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Levin School Values: Respect, Excellence, Attitude, Co-operation and Honesty.

Term 4

Newsletter

6th December 2018



From the Principal:

Kia Ora koutou, Talofa lava & Malo e lelei,

Next Thursday sees the end of the school year and what an eventful year it has been, with many exciting activities and learning opportunities.

Remember the visit to the Zoo and Te Papa, Police Dog demonstration, Harold and The Woolshed, just to name a few. With the holiday season almost upon us it is a timely reminder to be safe over the holiday period, especially take care on the roads if you are traveling. Remember to Slip, Slop, Slap and cover up when the sun shines.

Next Wednesday at 1:30 pm we will celebrate the achievements of our Year 6 students, a number who have been here since they were 5 years old. We will be acknowledging academic, sporting and cultural excellence as well as our school values of REACH. It is also where we will see the graduation of our Year 6 leavers. Well done to you all for reaching a significant milestone in your educational journey. Remember to go forward holding your head high, stand tall and be proud. All the best for your next learning step. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who contribute to the successful running of our school. What you do is an extremely important contribution. The students and staff here at Levin School very much appreciate it. Thank you.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season. Enjoy family time, relax and rest up.

Nga Mihi

Paddy Sannazzaro

Staffing for 2019: There are a few changes to the staffing for 2019.

Mrs Kathryn Brown will continue to teach in Kowhai class.

Mrs Paulianne Taylor will teach in Tarata class.

Mr Justin Wilton will continue to teach in Rimu class.

Mrs Kylie Edwards will teach in Manuka class.

Miss Tanja Gerritsen will continue to teach in Kauri class.

Mrs Jeanette Wilson will continue to teach in Totara class.

Mr James Wylie will be the release teacher for the Senior School.

Mrs Maria Fraser will be the release teacher for Kauri and Manuka.

Deputy Principal Release teacher for 2019 is yet to be confirmed.

Support Staff will remain the same as this year.

Reports: As we do Anniversary reporting in the Junior School some of the Junior students have already received their report. For all others reports will be sent home on Monday.

Duffy Books: Many thanks to Brett Mitchell and his team from Warehouse Stationery for their continued support for Levin School with the Duffy Books in Homes programme.



Happy birthday to Jack, Jaemie, Nathaniel, Taizarrah who celebrate their birthdays this week. Arias and Levi will celebrate their birthdays next week. Hope you all had and have awesome birthdays.

Welcome: Welcome to Chloe Candy who joined Tarata class last week. We welcome Chloe and her family our Levin School Community.

Sports:

Water Polo: The team played their last game last week and they remain undefeated. Well done.



Softball: Your game tomorrow, Friday 7th December, is at 4.30 pm against Levin North. This is your last game for the season. Remember your skills and have fun. Please return your sports top to the office on Monday.



Soccer: The team played their last game for the season last night. Again the team worked well together, even though the playing conditions weren't the best. Please return your sports tops to the office on Monday.

Fun Day: On Monday 10th December, 11.00 am- 1.00 pm, the whole school will be walking to the Aquatic Centre for an end of year fun day. There will be a free sausage sizzle thanks to Home and School. Children will still need to bring a packed lunch and water bottle. You are more than welcome to join us.



Plastic Bags: It is great to see so many people making the change from using plastic bags. These can cause so much damage to our environment. Here at Levin School we re-use plastic bags so if you do find you have a surplus of plastic bags, please don't throw them away. Bring them to school and we will re-use them. Thanks.

Stationery for 2019: All stationery for 2019 can be purchased from Warehouse Stationery. Please note that Levin School only stocks minimal stationery. Children will be given a stationery list for 2019 with their reports next week.



Dates to remember:

Friday 7th December: Assembly at 2 pm. Kauri hosts.

Monday 10th December: Whole school fun day out at the pools.

Wednesday 12th December: Graduation assembly at 1.30 pm.

Thursday 13th December: Last day of Term 4. School will finish at 1 pm.

Monday 28th January: Office open for enrolments and uniforms.

Monday 4th February: First day of Term 1 2019.

Community News:

Tots to Teens: Tots to Teens magazine is a free community parenting resource for Kiwi families. We focus on positive, well-researched parenting advice to support children's reading, learning, behaviour, nutrition, health, well-being, and resilience. We have distributed 550,000 free magazines nationwide each year to families through schools, preschools, libraries, and Plunket for over 16 years. To help support more New Zealand families, Tots to Teens is being produced as a free digital magazine, using technology that ensures an easy-to-read experience for parents, particularly for those parents who read emails using their phone. To check out this month's digital magazine click on the following link - issue1812ns.totstoteens.co.nz



From the Editor: *This is the last newsletter for the year. What a wonderful busy year it has been and **my** hasn't it gone fast! I wish you all a very safe and Merry Christmas, Enjoy your family time. Remember it's not about the presents but about being present with your loved ones, this is more important and precious. I*

look forward to seeing next year. Mrs P



