



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

Term 1

Newsletter

11th April 2019



Principal's Message

Kia Ora Koutou, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Ni Hao, Chao & Namaste. Tomorrow sees the last day for Term 1, 2019. It has certainly been another busy term with lots of exciting activities and learning having been accomplished, with learning and teaching being the key focus. To

mention some:

- Learning water safety skills as part of the swimming programme.
- Developing and having a 'Growth Mindset!' Where our cup is half full and still to be filled. Changing the 'I can't' to 'I can't yet' way of thinking.
- Coming together for our Whanau family fun evening in place of formal interviews.
- Revisiting Levin School Vision statement.

Levin School Students will be empowered to become actively engaged lifelong learners.

- Visits to Te Takare
- Earthquake encounters for the senior school
- Observing Nature at its best, caterpillars becoming butterflies. The wonder of it all!

Tino Pai to the Home and School and all the helpers for arranging, co-ordinating and supporting Levin School's Car Boot Sale. There has been some very positive feedback: "When do you plan on having the next one?" "Please contact me so I can come again". A very successful fundraising event for us here at Levin School. Proceeds will benefit the students with the purchase of equipment for the Sandpit.

Thank you to all those people that have supported our school over the term- sports coaches, volunteers, parent helpers and transport providers. It is very much appreciated by us all.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday break and if travelling, please drive with care.

A Day in the History of Levin School from the Principals Log.

January 26th 1891- Resumed work this morning. Weather very boisterous and heavy rain all day. Attendance only three.

April 25th 1892: Very wet – no attendance.

Nga Mihi

Paddy Sannazzaro

Please note: Thursday 4th June will be a normal school day, NOT a Teacher Only day as planned. The finish date for the year will now be Wednesday 18th December.

Home and School: Thank You to all the sponsors of the Car Boot Sale. Kelly Coley & associates, JB's Wood, Countdown, Youth Space, Woodhaven, Fresh Pork, Benniks, Pescini Brothers, Levin New World, Bounce, McDonald's, The Warehouse and Gordon Gunther Bouncy Castle hire.



Also Thanks to all the parents that donated baking and came along to support the event.

Because of all the generous support the event was a success and the students of Levin school will benefit with new sandpit toys.

Levin School Electives

Kia ora Whanau,

During Term 2 we will be running an “electives programme” for all of our students. The children will be able to choose from a variety of exciting activities such as cooking, dance, crafts, board games, coding and sports.



We would love for our Whanau to be involved and are looking for parents who might enjoy taking a small group of children for an activity. You might like to teach children to weave or paint rocks for around the school etc.

At this stage we will be running the programme during weeks 3,5,7 and 9 on a Friday afternoon. All equipment would be provided by school.

If you think you might be interested or would like some more information, please pop into school to talk with me.



Regards

Tanja Gerritsen

Sports:

Interschool Athletics.

All that participated in the Interschool Athletics had a very enjoyable day. It was good to see our school values of REACH being displayed.

Netball: The team have their first game this Saturday 13th April. Please be at the courts by 8 am on court 8. Lunchtime practices will continue in Term 2 on Wednesdays with Erica.

Basketball: Levin School will have a Year 3/4 team and a Year 5/6 team if there is enough interest. Games will be played at the Events Centre after school on Thursdays. If you have not yet returned your permission slip and \$15, please return these on the first day back of Term 2.

Dates to remember:



Friday 12th April: End of Term 1.

Monday 29th April: Term 2 starts.

Thursday 2nd May: Junior Basketball starts.

Friday 10th May: Westpac Chopper Mufti Day. Gold coin donation.

Friday 10th May: School Assembly in the hall.

Lost Property: We have a large number of items on our lost property trolley. **Please** check this for any of your child's lost belongings. Make sure all clothing is named.

Attendance: It is a legal requirement that children attend school every day. Remember to notify the school if your child is going to be late or absent. Unexplained absences will be marked as truant.

By downloading the **free** Skool Loop app, you will not use any of your data if you need to contact the school.

An advertisement for the Skool Loop app. On the left, the text "We are Summer loving our school app!" is written in a playful, colorful font over a background of a green leaf and a pair of sunglasses. In the center is a smartphone displaying the app's interface. On the right, text reads "Simple free download: In Google Play and App Store search 'Skool Loop' and choose our school once installed." Below this text are the Google Play and App Store logos, and the Skool Loop logo itself.

Online payments: For those families who wish to pay online for school donations or uniforms, our bank account details are:

Account name: Levin School Board of Trustees

Account number: 03 0667 0247706 00 50

You need to quote your child's full name and what the payment is for.

From the Editor: Wow! end of Term 1 already, where has the time gone? Enjoy the holidays, stay safe and warm, and don't eat **too** many Easter eggs. 😊 I look forward to seeing you all next term.



Community News:

Taekwon-Do Kubz: Taekwon-Do Kubz is for 3-6 year olds on Fridays from 4.00-4.45pm, held in the Events Centre. Children will learn how to do Taekwon Do moves along with teaching social interactions, communication skills to keep safe and dealing with aggressive children and bullying. Phone Brenda Snow on 0273270388 for more information.



Tots to Teens: Tots to Teens magazine is a free community parenting resource for Kiwi families. They focus on positive, well-researched parenting advice to support children's reading, learning, behaviour, nutrition, health, well-being, and resilience. To help support more New Zealand families. Tots to Teens is now being produces as a free digital magazine, using new technology that ensures an easy-to-read experience for parents. To make it easier for parents to read the helpful articles, follow the link to the exciting digital magazine

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