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Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava

On Thursday of this week we have our Whole School Camp. Thank you to those of you who have offered tents and let us know whether your children are staying the night. We do need a form back for each child from year 3 and up, letting us know if they are sleeping overnight onsite. At present, we have received completed slips for approximately half of these children. Please inform the office as to whether your child is staying over before 3:00pm this Wednesday (this helps with our planning).

We also only have tents for 50 children at the moment. We need space for another 50 - again, if you can help then please let our office know either by phoning 322 1544 or email office@clifton.school.nz.

With regards to the weather, at this stage the weather looks a little dicey. We will be making a decision by 12:30pm on Thursday as to whether the camp goes ahead or not as we will have to cancel if it is too wet or too windy. We will make the decision based on sleeping in tents. We will not simply move everyone inside to sleep as this becomes too complicated and loses the effect of camping out. If you are unsure on Thursday, then please feel free to check Facebook or ring the school. I will also put an alert out over the school app. Providing it all goes ahead, then please feel free to come and join us at the school for a picnic tea (bring your own food) at the back of the school, followed by a short item from each class. Non sleepers will then leave at approximately 8:00pm and are free to return to school anytime from 7:30am to have breakfast with us.

A reminder that school will conclude at 12:30pm on Friday with a school bus running at that time also.

Hopefully the weather manages to come to the party and we will have a great time and enjoy this experience - fingers crossed.

Have a good week and we will hopefully see you on Thursday evening for a picnic tea.

Adrian Burn, Principal

Swimmers at Sanson Pool



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday 16 February.....	Whole school camp
Friday 17 February.....	Sanson swimming fees due
.....	School finishes at 12.30pm
Friday 23 February..	School assembly hosted by Rm3
Tuesday 28 February.....	Senior Swim sports
Wednesday 1 March.....	Road Patroller training
Thursday, 16 March.....	Cluster swimming sports
Friday 17 March.....	School assembly hosted by Rm2
Wednesday 22 March.....	Scholastic orders due
Friday 7 April.....	Cluster athletics
Thursday 13 April.....	End of term 1
Monday 1 May.....	Start of term 2
Friday 7 July.....	End of term 2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Monday 24 July.....	Start of term 3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Friday 29 September.....	End of term 3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Monday 16 October.....	Start of term 4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Friday 15 December.....	End of term 4

Most Valuable Pupil

ROOM 1: Samuel 'Atonai Kami-Kimui for a great effort in all his learning tasks.

ROOM 2: Flynn Herdson for great effort in swimming.

ROOM 3: Natalie Fellingham for listening carefully to instructions and helping others to follow instructions.

ROOM 4: Tayla-Jane Sole for fantastic listening and following instructions during swimming.

ROOM 5: Branson Doorey for being an excellent role model at swimming.

ROOM 7: Blake Sarjant for amazing writing and resilience.

ROOM 8: Charlize Nicholson for being such a positive class member.

SuperStar Cricket is an entry level game, best suited to children from six to 10 years old (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6), and is designed to help participants learn the basics of cricket. All children will receive equal turns at batting, bowling and fielding as well as undertaking a series of cricketing skill drills. All gear is provided.

Kowhai Park, Tuesdays 3:45pm to 5:00pm.

For more information, please go to their Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/FeildingJCC>



Boomerang lunches off to a great start

Thank you to all our families who have jumped on board our Boomerang lunch initiative. Our school is already looking much tidier with many teachers and parents commenting on the huge improvement. A few suggestions to help reduce rubbish being returned in lunch boxes:

- There are some examples of plastic containers in the office which are readily available from variety shops or supermarkets
- When you purchase fruit or veg from the supermarket, re-use the plastic bags that these items are packed in
- Use greaseproof paper to wrap items

HPV immunisations for both Year 8 boys and girls

Marilyn Archibald, Public Health Nurse advises:

This year the Public Health Centre for the Whanganui District Health Board are offering the HPV immunisation for Year 8 boys and girls with the first round due to roll out on the 13th March 2017. We are aware that the public may have questions surrounding the inclusion of males therefore we would like to take this opportunity to have an open information evening to be held at James Cook School Hall on the 23rd February 2017 from 5.30pm to 6.30pm.

The presentation will include a short DVD following question time for anyone to discuss any queries or concerns one may have. Information will be handed out at the end of the evening.

Marilyn Archibald, Public Health Nurse, Rangititkei Health Centre. Phone 327 5778

Bulls Kindergarten's waiting list

A reminder that Bulls Kindergarten takes enrolments for their waiting list for children two years and over. If you would like to enrol your pre-schooler, please call into the kindy on Wilson Street or phone 322 1466.

Lost!

A magnifying glass has gone astray from Room 4. It is black with red inside. If found, could this please be returned to our school office. Thanks!

After School Kids

After School Kids in Adullam House, 123 Pukepapa Road, Marton is offering child care in the mornings, afternoons and holidays. They offer:

- Fun activities for five to 13 year olds
- Caring staff
- Afternoon tea
- Music tuition
- OSCAR approved/WINZ subsidies
- School pick up and drop off at Clifton School
- Mornings from 7:00am, afternoons until 5:50pm.

For more information, please contact Christina on 06 327 7657 or 021 357 864, email info@afterschoolkids.co.nz or visit their website at www.afterschoolkids.co.nz.

Did you know? (from our Parent's Handbook)

Bicycles: Parents are asked to use their discretion in allowing children to cycle to and from school. Please be sure that your child can ride safely and obey road rules all the way to the school gate from your house and back home again before allowing them to ride to school. A bike rack is available in the school grounds during normal school hours. We also have a cycle track on school grounds which children can use during break times.

Right: Room 7 worked as a team to re-create an artwork in the Fauvism style. Fauvism is the style of les Fauves (French for "the wild beasts"), a loose group of early twentieth-century modern artists whose works emphasized painterly qualities and strong color over the representational or realistic values retained by Impressionism.

*Phoenix
(Rm5) hones
her swimming
skills at
Sanson Pool.*

