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Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava

This week is Book Fair week at Clifton School. Reading to children (and reading by children) plays an important role in a child's learning and development. It is undoubtedly one of the best practises to stimulate intellectual development. It opens up a whole world of understanding and comprehension for the child, helping them to make sense of the world around them.

Feel free to come and browse through these books at your leisure in our Discovery Centre this afternoon and tomorrow. The books will be available to purchase tonight through until 6:00pm as well as tomorrow night until 5:00pm.

Good news! We can now accept credit cards, as well as cash and cheque payments for book fair purchases - still no eftpos, however.

We will be serving hot chocolate and reading books to the children between 5:00pm and 6:00pm tonight. Come dressed in pyjamas for a fun evening.

On Thursday, children can come to school dressed up as their favourite book character and there will be prizes for the best dressed junior, middle and senior students.

A reminder that this coming Friday is a Teacher Only Day and school will be closed.

In today's world, technology is becoming more and more prevalent. Children and teenagers seem to be far more savvy than adults and know all the ins and outs of the internet and devices far better than us. It is worth thinking about the fact that there is a lot of negative and detrimental information and websites out there. Be aware of what your children are looking at, and checking the browser history every now and again is not a bad thing. We need to be aware of what our children are up to in today's society and we can do this easily without making the kids feel as if we are impinging upon their freedom. If you have any questions about this, or how to check history, then please feel free to come and see your child's teacher or myself.

Fidget spinners seem to be the latest craze around schools at the moment. I know that my own children love just sitting there spinning these things. With crazes, however, often come problems where some children don't have them and want them, and disagreements can occur over who owns them. It is great to see the number of children at Clifton School who are happily playing with these latest toys. We would like you to understand, however, that if toys from home come to school, they come at the owner's risk. There is always the danger that they may go missing or get broken. When we can, we will attempt to solve the issues but this is not always possible. Please bear this in mind when allowing your child to bring special toys to school.

Have a great week and a good extra long weekend.

Adrian Burn, Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday 29 May.....	Book week opens
Tuesday 30 May....	Book Fair in our Discovery Centre
Wednesday 31 May....	Book Fair in our Discovery Centre
Thursday 1 June.....	Book Character Dress Up
Friday 2 June....	Teacher Only Day - no school today
Monday 5 June....	Queen's Birthday - no school today
Thursday 8 June.....	Clifton School's Open Morning
.....Matariki concert
Friday 9 June.....	Rm7 Presentation Assembly
Friday 16 June.....	Clifton School disco
Thursday 22 June.....	Raise Resilient Families at BTH
Friday 23 June.....	Rm5 Presentation Assembly
Wednesday 28 June.....	Parent/teacher interviews
Thursday 29 June.....	Parent/teacher interviews
Friday 7 July.....	End of term 2
Monday 24 July.....	Start of term 3
Friday 29 September.....	End of term 3

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Tayla-Jane (Rm4) is 8 today! Kerrie (Rm8) turns 11 tomorrow; Alita (Rm4) will be 8 on Saturday, and this Sunday, Lili and Manaia (Rm8) both turn 12, and Aurora (Rm4) will be 8.

Nga mihi nui i to ra whanau.

Wishing you many happy returns of the day.

Most Valuable Pupil

ROOM 1: Zander Herdson for great autumn creations and participation in Discovery Time.

ROOM 2: Nevaeh Cotton for excellent role play and list writing in Discovery Time.

ROOM 3: Kymani Tikotikoca-Lal for working hard to be a great role model in Room 3.

ROOM 4: Noah Wade for showing kindness to others.

ROOM 5: Lucas Mitchell for excellent comprehension about bridges with Mrs Musella.

ROOM 7: Kyla Cornish for an amazing writing assessment.

ROOM 8: Amber Barbarich for awesome personal experience writing.

Canteen this Thursday (not Friday!)

As school will be closed on Friday due to the Teacher Only Day, canteen will be held this Thursday. Orders need to be returned to our school office by 9:00am tomorrow (Wednesday).

Well done, Corbyn!

Corbyn Quader has been selected to represent the Rangitikei Year 7 netball team. Good luck for the season, Corbyn!

Rugby results

Bulls U9s lost 55-5 to Kia Toa. Player of the Day was awarded to Kaea Ngamoki, Jaeviah Kemp and Derek Katene.

Matariki Concert on Thursday, 8 June 2017

You are invited to a Matariki Concert celebrating Clifton School and Bulls School kapahaka roopu on Thursday 8 June 2017 at Bulls Town Hall from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Entry is by gold coin donation. We look forward to seeing you there.

School disco on Friday, 16 June 2017

Our Friends of the School Group have organised a disco for Clifton School students from 6:00pm on Friday, 16 June 2017. Tickets are on sale from our school office and cost \$10.00 each or \$25.00 for a family. The theme is "Wacky" - come dressed in whatever takes your fancy, the crazier the better!

Parent/teacher interviews in June

Our parent/teacher interview times are available on:

- Wednesday, 28 June - 1:15pm to 6:45pm
- Thursday, 29 June - 3:15pm to 5:15pm

Please note that school will finish at 1:00pm on Wednesday, 28 June with a bus available for students who usually travel home by bus. Parents, please make sure you have arranged alternative pick up and after-school care for your child as staff will be busy in interviews and unable to supervise children. School finishes at the usual time, ie, 2:55pm on Thursday, 28 June.

To make your booking, please go to:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/> and enter the code **h3uyn** then follow the on-screen instructions. If you get stuck, please come to our school office and we will help you make your booking.

Raising resilient families

Join Karen Field at the Bulls Town Hall on Thursday 22 June from 7:30pm to 9:30pm for a fun night out talking about the joys of parenting, with helpful tips to help you Raise Resilient Families. This is an excellent opportunity to learn some parenting skills from someone who would normally cost lots of dollars! Karen Field is an expert, but not the kind who tells you how to do it - she is the kind that highlights the good bits and gives excellent ideas for moving forward positively in your parenting journey. She fully acknowledges the many challenges that parenting presents us with and her ideas are practical and realistic. You really shouldn't miss this one!

CLIFTON SCHOOL PRESENTS

A WACKY DISCO

JUNE 16TH 6-8PM

IN THE DISCOVERY CENTRE

Tickets \$10 each or \$25 per family

Cash only no refunds sorry

Starring Clifton School kids only

Dress up as wacky and crazy as you want!



Join
Karen Field
CEO drummond street services and
Step Families of Australia-National Body
For a fun night out talking about the joys of
Parenting
With helpful tips and fun activities so you can
Raise Resilient Families
Bulls Town Hall, 22nd June
7.30 to 9.30pm
RSVPS to bullsccommunity@xtra.co.nz

Informal time to chat with Karen

"All children learn, but not in the same way or on the same day." - Art Costa

Is your parenting toolkit feeling depleted after the school holidays, This night is a must for you.

Supper Provided

An engaging honest conversation about the joys of Parenting.

Create decisions in the tupper bowl

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn." - Benjamin Franklin

Handy Tips and Resources

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DO YOU WANT TO GO TO THE CIRCUS?

We have seven complementary tickets to give away. If you would like to go in the draw to win a ticket, please complete and return this form to our school office by 9:00am tomorrow (Wednesday, 31 May 2017). Tickets will be drawn and sent home with the oldest child.

YES! I would like to go in the draw for a complementary student's ticket!

Parent's/Caregiver's Name: _____ Oldest child's name: _____

