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Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava

This week we have Mark from the Life Education Trust with us. He runs health programmes for the children that are interesting and fun. He will be working with all classes (except for Room 8) over the course of the week, so ask your children about their time with him and his friend, Harold the Giraffe.

Last week we were lucky enough to have Stu Duval visit. He is a fantastic storyteller and artist, and had the children enthralled with his drawings. The seniors were fortunate enough to have workshops in the afternoon on storytelling and cartoon drawing. If your child happens to be drawing cartoons all over their spare paper, this would be why!

As we are well into the third term, we are starting to see the effects of winter and the weather. More and more children seem to be coming down with the flu and little sicknesses and coughs. If you are in any doubt, then please keep your child at home. It is far better for them, as well as the school, if your child is home rather than here and spreading their illness with others. With this in mind, please remember that being unwell is the only valid reason for your child not to be at school. When your child is away for prolonged periods of time they run the risk of falling behind in their learning and social development. Please do everything you can to have your child/ren at school every day. The Ministry of Education has now implemented a new act that states that once a child is enrolled in a school they must attend unless sick. As part of this, they collect our attendance data to evaluate and analyse. This then goes into their system and we are answerable for it.

The other thing the Ministry is now looking at is implementing a cohort start for new children to school. They are suggesting that there is one starting point for new five year olds each term. This enables them to all start on the same day which will ease the stress for the student as well as the teacher. This is something that we are currently thinking about. Whatever we decide to do we will work closely with Bulls School and our community before implementing anything. The Ministry's idea is that it would then enable four year old children to be at school prior to their fifth birthday. This is something that neither school agrees with so our system may be slightly different. We will keep you informed about any developments in this area as we go.

We are progressing nicely through this third term; I can't believe how quickly the year is going by!

Enjoy the sun and slightly warmer weather, and have a good week.

Adrian Burn, Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday 21 August.....	Life Education week
Wednesday 23 August.....	Scholastic orders close
Friday 25 August.....	People Savers - Rm7
Thursday 7 September.....	Cross Country/Fun Run
Monday 11 September.....	Kids for Kids Concert
Wednesday 13 September.....	BoT meeting
Tuesday 19 September.....	Yr7 & 8 Quad Tournament
Thursday 21 September.....	Yr5 & 6 Quad Tournament
Friday 29 September.....	End of term 3
.....	Tough Kid Challenge @ Ohingaiti
Monday 16 October.....	Start of term 4
.....	HPV immunisations for Yr8
Thursday 19 October.....	School photos

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

This Friday, Devon (Rm3) is 7 and Isabelle (Rm7) will be 11. On Saturday, Cade (Rm3) turns 7 and Skylah-Rose (Rm2) will be 6. Next Monday, Blake (Rm7) turns 10.

Nga mihi nui i to ra whanau.
Wishing you many happy returns
of the day.

Most Valuable Pupil

ROOM 1: Harper McRae for effort and enthusiasm in reading.

ROOM 2: Leia Tikotikoca-Lal for a fabulous start in Room 2.

ROOM 3: Louise and Fraser Guerin for a wonderful start in Room 3.

ROOM 4: Illusiv Macaulay for putting amazing effort into self-management.

ROOM 5: Kyla Hughson for showing responsibility and being a great role model.

ROOM 7: Kyla Cornish for amazing work with Mrs Carter.

ROOM 8: Miri Lambert and Phoenix Fryer for excellent team work.

Clifton School's Books in Homes: A cabinet has been put in our school office where you can donate children's books for children to share. Clifton kids will be able to look through what is on offer, take any book home to read, then return for the next kid. Please note that we won't be keeping track of the books - if one is borrowed, we simply ask that it be returned.

Don't forget to name your child's uniform: There are always items of uniform in our lost property box that isn't named. If it isn't named correctly, we cannot return it. We would also ask that you check that your child is wearing their own uniform. Mistakes are often made in the playground where someone picks up someone else's polar fleece without realising it. If your child has brought someone else's uniform home, please return it to our school office.

Scholastic orders due tomorrow: Please bring your order form and payment to our school office by 9:00am tomorrow, or order online with credit card payments. Orders will be finalized tomorrow (Wednesday) at midday.

Rugby results from the weekend: Bulls U9s beat HSOB 75-40. Player of the Day certificates were awarded to Derek Katene and Kaea Ngamoki.

Canteen is back this Friday: One serving of a sausage wrapped in bread for \$2.00 is available this week. Please fill out the order form below, return it to the office in a bag with the correct money by 9:00am Thursday morning, for lunch on Friday. Please note that **NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 9:00AM THURSDAY.**



Room 8 enjoy the rewards of their work in the garden at this week's Plant to Plate programme.



This week's MVP recipients: Kyla C, Louise, Fraser, Harper, Leia, Illusiv, Phoenix and Kyla H.



Is your cat or dog more than seven years old?

During August, we are offering owners of senior pets a **VERY SPECIAL DEAL:**
A discounted Senior Health check plus a HALF PRICE blood test

Many of the hidden enemies and issues our older pets face can be controlled. There are lots of things we can do to keep your pets active and happy.

Book for an appointment now!



BULLS CLINIC
233 State Hwy 1

06 3222 333

MARTON CLINIC
48 Tutaenui Road



CANTEEN ORDER FORM WEEK 5

This week, sausage and bread for \$2.00 each is available. Bring your order to our school office by 9:00am Thursday for lunch on Friday. Place the correct money with your order in the bag provided. **No late orders accepted.**

Name and Room No:	Qty:	\$ enclosed