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## Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava

We are very pleased to advise that Mrs Sharon Spall is joining us at the start of 2018 as our new entrant teacher. She comes from Palmerston North, has had many years of new entrant teaching and is very highly recommended. The children met her here at school yesterday at our school assembly. We look forward to what she brings and having her as part of the staff.

We are having some issues with children using other children's bikes and/or scooters - no one should be using or touching bikes or scooters that do not belong to them. We have had a few incidences where bikes and helmets have either gone missing or been damaged. We want the children to continue to have bikes and scooters at school but we need their things to be safe.

We have received three valid nominations for our board of trustee elections. Voting forms will be posted tomorrow to the addresses that we have on file for you. Please follow the instructions which will be included, and remember that voting closes at midday, Friday 1 December 2017.

Mrs Beckers and the children have been working hard practising for the Clifton School Musical Showcase tomorrow. The whole school will be performing, including our kapahaka roopu. Kapahaka roopu members need to be at the Bulls Town Hall by 5:00pm to get into costumes; all other children need to be there by 5:45pm. Please wear bright or colourful clothing, NOT school uniform. The performance starts at 6:00pm and entry is by gold coin donation. We look forward to seeing you there!

Nathan Baish (our caretaker) is working towards getting our school pool up and running shortly. Pool keys will be available for the holidays - we will let you know when these will be ready.

*Adrian Burn, Principal*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday 22 November.....Musical Showcase  
.....BoT election forms posted  
Friday 1 December.....BoT election voting closes  
Thursday 7 December.....Yr8 Leavers' Dinner  
Tuesday 12 December.....BIG DAY IN!  
Wednesday 13 December...Volunteers' morning tea  
.....Board of Trustee meeting  
Thursday 14 December.....Prizegiving  
Friday 15 December.....School finishes at midday  
Tuesday 30 January.....Start of Term 1 2018

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Kwynee (Rm2) will be 7 tomorrow; on Thursday, Tom (Rm5) will be 10 and this Saturday, Eva (Rm5) will celebrate her 9th birthday.

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

## Most Valuable Pupil

ROOM 1: Dallas Walker for a great attitude to learning and settling well into Room 1.

ROOM 2: Paetyn Macaulay for excellent effort and work all the time.

ROOM 3: Carolyn-Rose Ngaau-Harnett for being kind and caring to those who are hurt.

ROOM 4: Max Skates for always being respectful to all his teachers.

ROOM 5: Tyler Sole for showing empathy during Circle Time.

ROOM 7: Montana Fryer for excellent personal experience writing.

ROOM 8: Kohere Te Rupe for awesome writing.



Above: Luca McRae and Sarah Connelly presented their speeches last week. Other finalists were Kaitlyn Jewell, Montana Doorey, Sophia Ayers, Georgia Kirk, Kerrie Daines and Corbyn Quader. The winners will be announced at this year's prizegiving on Thursday, 14 December at the Bulls Town Hall.



### Clifton School Music Showcase tomorrow...

...from 6:00pm, at the Bulls Town Hall! Remember your gold coin entry fee, and some extra cash for a Kapahaka Raffle ticket. All our students will be performing so if your child is unable to attend, please let their teacher know at school tomorrow as some students have specific instruments to play.

KAPAHAKA students: please be at the Town Hall by 5:00pm to get changed into your costumes. All other students, please be in the Supper Room (back entrance of the Town Hall in Criterion Street) by 5:45pm. Wear bright or colourful clothing, NOT school uniform.

Students will not be allowed to leave the Hall at the end of the show until collected by an adult. If parents/caregivers are not attending the show, please go to the Supper Room at approximately 7:45pm to pick up your child/ren. Whanau are welcome to take their own child's art work home after the show.

**Volunteer help required:** if anyone can take photos/video footage of the show that they are willing to share with me, please text/call Sheila Beckers on 027 452 5802. Also at the end of the concert, we would appreciate any help with packing up the seating, taking down the artwork, cleaning the hall, and loading all the instruments into vehicles - thank you in advance!

### Lost uniforms

Please check your child's uniform items to ensure they are wearing their own fleeces and polo tees. There is also a huge pile in the lost property box outside the staffroom. If you find any items that have come home by mistake, please just drop them into our school office.

### Christmas trees for \$12.00 each

Rotary Club of Marton will be selling Christmas trees (the real sort with pine needles and scent!) at St Andrew's Presbyterian Church car park, Saturday 15 December from 8:30am to midday. More information, phone David Smith 327 6513.

### Community consultations

A community consultation questionnaire has been sent home again with this newsletter, but includes another questionnaire regarding health. We would appreciate it if you could complete these (it won't take long!) and return to our school office by Friday 1 December 2017. If you have already completed the first questionnaire, please don't complete it again - just leave it blank! Thanking you in anticipation.



**KAPAHAKA FUNDRAISER**

First Prize = \$2,500  
Second Prize = \$1,500  
Third Prize = \$750  
Fourth Prize = \$250

Tickets just \$5.00 each and are available from our school office.

Proceeds go directly to helping purchase new uniforms and resources. Drawn under police supervision on 15 December 2017, winners published on our school Facebook page and notified by phone. Limited to 2000 tickets.



Artwork by Room 5's Tyler Sole (top) and Amanda Holdaway (right).



## BULLS CHRISTMAS PARADE

The Bulls Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, 2 December 2017 at 10:00am. If you would like your child to be on the Clifton School float, please ensure they are at school by 9:30am and they are dressed as presents.



Please contact us if you need any help with costumes. More information to come, closer to the event.