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Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava • Bula Bula

This is the last newsletter for the term and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support with everything that we have done.

Today and tomorrow is, of course, parent interviews and we are sure that these will be a wonderful celebration of your children's achievement so far this year.

The term has been full of many great events - Matariki was the most recent where the children put on a truly wonderful performance; we can all be proud of what they do and how well they represent our school.

Open morning was held earlier in the term and it was great to have all the parents join us in the classes. In addition to these events, there was National Young Leaders Day, a school disco, as well as the normal activities and programmes that occur. It has been a fantastic time!

As I write this I am also reflecting on being at Clifton School for three years. The time has flown by - as the saying goes time flies when you are having fun. Genuinely, this is a wonderful place to work and be. Working with the children and the parents, as well as the staff is very enjoyable. Clifton School is a remarkable school and community, and the old saying of 'one big family' is so real and relevant here. I want to publicly commend the staff for all they do for you and your children. They have a genuine feeling that all the children at our school are theirs, not just those in their class.

Last night we had a staff meeting to discuss what was happening within each class and the children's progress. It was such an enjoyable atmosphere where your children's successes were celebrated, and the teachers complimentary of what each other was doing. There is a real feeling of collaboration here, where all teachers are learning from each other and are not afraid to say they aren't sure and to seek help and guidance. Your children are very well known by their teachers which has been evident in meetings I have held with staff about their class. They all speak freely and easily about the children's progress and where they are at, without notes or information in front of them. This can only occur when there is a genuine interest in the children by their teachers.

We are all very lucky to have such a wonderful group of dedicated staff and it is this camaraderie that has made my three years so enjoyable. I wish you all a wonderful break and I am sure that while I am away next term Jo Whitehouse will do a great job filling my shoes - maybe too well!

I look forward to seeing you all again in term 4.

Adrian Burn
Principal

Congratulations to last week's MVP recipients!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday 26 June.....Parent/Teacher interviews
Wednesday 27 June.....Parent/Teacher interviews
Thursday 28 June.....Union meeting for teachers
Friday 29 June.....Sausage sizzle
Tuesday 3 July.....BIG DAY OUT!
Friday 6 July.....Mufti Day
.....End of Term 2
Monday 23 July.....Start of Term 3

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Karanga (Rm5) is 10 and Dayna (Rm4) is 9 today. Jade (Rm7) turns 11 tomorrow and on Sunday, Aiden (Rm7) will be 11. On 2 July, Leia (Rm2) will be 7, Brooklyn (Rm7) will be 10 and Emma (Rm3) will be 8. During the holidays, Cadence (Rm3) turns 8, Matthew (Rm8) will be 13 and Teagan (Rm8) will be 12.

Most Valuable Pupil

WEEKS EIGHT AND NINE

ROOM 1: Lewshion Dalby for his awesome reading. Lilly Tricker for her enthusiastic "Grumpy Elephant".

ROOM 2: Ben Berg-McKinnon for his great coordination with the marble run. Abigail Holdaway-Barr for enthusiastic participation in music with Mrs Beckers.

ROOM 2a: Gabrielle Davis for creating a beautiful matariki art piece. Cullen Roux De Buisson for writing an excellent story about the Gruffalo. Ka pai!

ROOM 3: Charlie Ramese for listening quietly on the mat - he is a great role model. Cade Roux De Buisson for always working hard on his learning tasks.

ROOM 4: Tayla-Jane Sole for the whanaungatanga she displays every day. Heather Holdaway-Barr for her fantastic reading and discussion of the text.

ROOM 5: Whitney Raikes for her fabulous attitude at school all the time. Kian Whakatihī for being a responsible and consistent learner in the classroom.

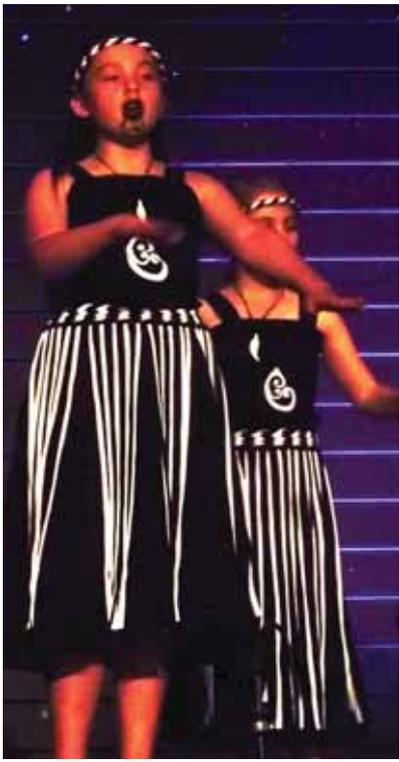
ROOM 7: Amarni Macaulay for diligence toward his learning and respect for others. Charlee Kirk for creating an amazing wall display.

ROOM 8: Kohere Te Rupe for great manaakitanga on the touch rugby field. Owen Evans for his skill and drive on the hockey field.



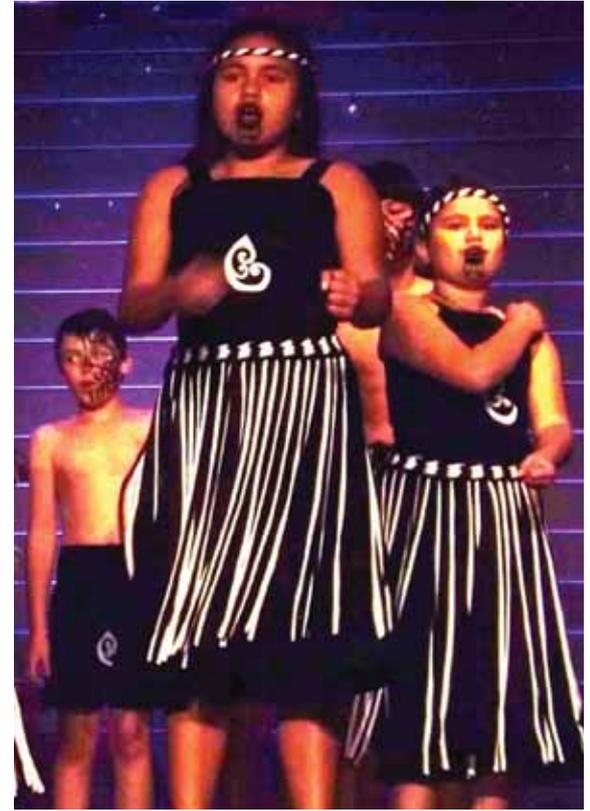
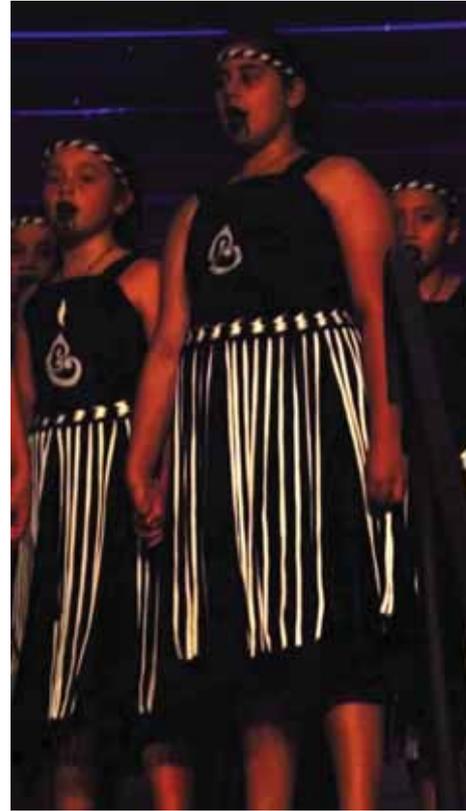
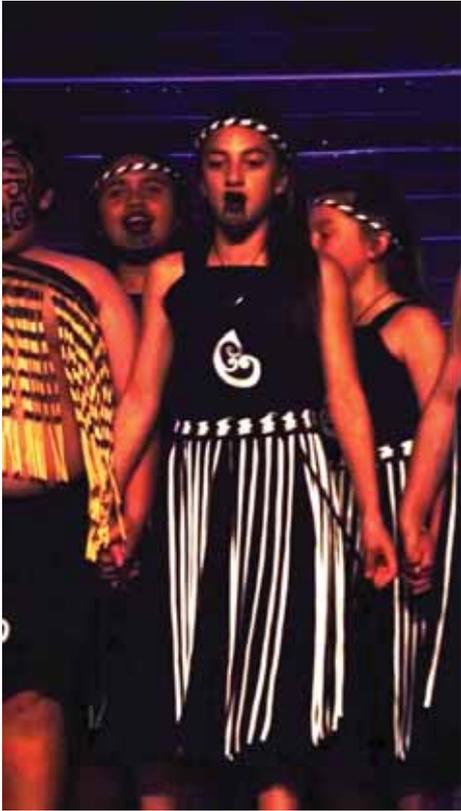


Congratulations to these rugby players who were all nominated for Player of the Day: Marshall Uncles, Fraser Guerin, Issa and Leia Tikotikoca, Jayjay Holland, James Wineera, Rocky Michie and Lewshion Dalby.



On Thursday, 21 June 2018, our extension kapa haka roopu performed at the Matariki Concert at Bulls Town Hall.
Congratulations to everyone who participated - you were part of an amazing performance and did our school proud!





Thank you to Whaea Danelle, Whaea Sara, and Whaea Aroha for their willingness to share their knowledge and time coaching the roopu as well as sourcing the amazing uniform. We acknowledge, and appreciate, all the hard work that they have done for our students.

AN APOLOGY FROM MAYOR ANDY WATSON: To the Principal, staff, pupils and extended family of Clifton School Bulls.

Earlier this term I was invited as Mayor to take part in the planting day at Clifton School something that I readily agreed to. Somehow the invitation was misplaced and I did not honour that commitment. I apologized to the Principal as soon as I realized but over time I have thought that my apology should be to the wider community especially to the students. Please accept my heartfelt apology and congratulations on the planting.

Yours truly, Andy Watson, Mayor, Rangitikei District Council

ROOM 8'S RAFFLE WINNERS: The raffle was drawn at the Bulls Police Station by Constable Rhys Brown in the presence of Mr Burn.

• 1st prize Ayrton Quader; 2nd prize Peter Ayers; 3rd prize Aroha Ngaau

Thanks to everyone who bought tickets and supported our school camp fundraising.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE THIS WEEK: Place your order at our school office tomorrow and Thursday morning (Friday morning is too late!) for lunch on Friday. Cost is just \$2.00.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S UNIFORM: We are on the look out for Kian's polar fleece; it is named and we would appreciate it if you could check that your child is wearing their own uniform.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS TOMORROW: Interviews will be held tomorrow (Wednesday 27 June) from 3:15pm to 5:00pm. Interviews will be for 15 minutes and can be booked online at: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>. Click on the Make a Booking tab and enter **czsr9** when you are prompted for the password. Then simply follow the instructions online. If you have any difficulties with your bookings, or aren't able to access the website, please come into school and we can help.

TEACHER UNION MEETING THIS THURSDAY: A notice was sent home with every child yesterday advising that teachers will be attending a union meeting this Thursday from 1:30pm. We will have a skeleton staff supervising children in our Discovery Centre for the afternoon, but you are welcome to collect your child at 12:30pm on Thursday if you prefer.

BIG DAY OUT NEXT TUESDAY: A notice will be sent home tomorrow regarding next Tuesday's BIG DAY OUT. This is a reward for the children who usually make good choices in class and the playground. We will be leaving at approximately 9:15am, travelling by bus to our destination, then return to school around 2:30pm. Children need to wear their school uniform, bring their swimming gear and an extra big lunch (including snacks and drinking water). Please check your child's bag tomorrow for the full notice.

MUFTI DAY LAST DAY OF TERM: Children are invited to wear mufti for the last day of term (next Friday). Gold coin donation to your teacher, please.

WORKING BEE AT SCHOOL ON SATURDAY 21 JULY: We will be spreading more mulch, weeding and having a bit of a tidy up during the holidays. If you would like to help, meet at school on Saturday 21 July at 9:00am (finishing approximately midday). NB: If it is very wet or windy, the bee will be postponed to a later date.

NO CALVES THIS SHOW DAY, PLEASE: Due to the Mycoplasma bovis outbreak, schools have been asked not to have calves as part of their Show Day. Therefore, we won't be holding a calf competition at our Show Day in Term 4. NB: The lamb competition will run as usual.

SPORTS NEWS

Netball: On 16 June, Clifton played Huntley A and won 20-19. Player of the Day was Te Ao Marama for her excellent rebounding and shooting. Clifton played Marton Junction A on 23 June, and won 28-19. Player of the Day for her brilliant full court defence was Myley Ward.

Congratulations to both Corbyn Quader and Te Aomarama Smith who have both been selected for the Rangitikei Netball Representative team.

Hockey: 11-a-side hockey won 9-0 against Huntley 2nds. Once we got out of first gear it was a great game with lots of fantastic passing and teamwork shown.

Rugby: Bulls Junior Rugby Club's day this Saturday down at the Domain, come along and support the teams.



Matariki

Room 3 have been reading stories learning about, and celebrating, Matariki.

Groups of students made kites after reading "The Seven Kites of Matariki" and...

...they also created some kiwi art after reading "The Little Kiwi's Matariki" using mixed media.

Can you tell how they made the kiwi?

Thanks to Sara Procter and Mike Skates for their help constructing and hanging the kites.