

Soaring to Success

We Value Integrity, Respect, Curiosity, Risk-Taking, Resilience, Diversity

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Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava • Bula Bula

Having a growth mindset, being positive and not fearing failure are all vital to the overall hauora of our kids. Attached to your newsletter this week is a "Parent's Guide to a Growth Mindset" which provides you with some key ideas, questions you could ask, and things you can say to your kids as they progress as learners.

At Clifton School we are focusing on having a growth mindset learning environment. Our learners are given the opportunities to choose and set goals that are relevant to their learning, and to struggle and fail. It is vital for children and adults to understand that we all learn from our mistakes. Our brains love mistakes, that's how our brain grows.

We have a visit from the Education Review Office (ERO) on Monday and Tuesday next week. They will be in our fabulous school for a couple of days to see how our kids are progressing in their learning. They will talk to the children, the board and the staff about what is happening here at Clifton.

In the next week you will be receiving current information about the correct uniform to wear at Clifton School. We have children wearing all sorts of non-uniform clothing and it is unacceptable. Whilst we understand it is winter and clothing is harder to dry, some children wear non-uniform items all year round. We will be providing you with a list of places to shop for uniform, that are really inexpensive. Wearing uniform is important. It helps create a sense of belonging and that we are all together in this place. Wearing uniform helps create pride in our school and really provides a level playing field for all learners.

You may have noticed in the August Bulls Bull-it-inn that our school has been invited to exhibit at the Art 4 Arts Sake Exhibition later on this month at the Bulls Town Hall. We will have a couple of pieces of art from each class to share with the Bulls and wider community. Mrs Karaynidis is organising this on behalf of our school (a huge thanks to her), so please remember to go and have a look at the art and appreciate the talented people we have in our community.

Have a great week, think positive thoughts, and be grateful for all the little things in your life.

Jo Whitehouse, Acting Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday 9 August.....Rm1 kindly visit
Friday 10 August....Rm5 hosts presentation assembly
Thursday 23 August.....Father's Day stall opens
Friday 24 August.....Last day for Father's Day stall
Friday 31 August....Rm7 hosts presentation assembly

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Amarni (Rm7) turns 11 today.
Tomorrow, Olivia (Rm5) will be 10 and Krystel (Rm2a) will be 6. This Thursday, Paetyn (Rm2a) will be 7 and on Saturday, Rangiwinui (Rm4) turns 9. Next Wednesday, Whitney (Rm5) will be 10 and on Friday, 17 August, Daniel (Rm8) will be 11.

Most Valuable Pupil

WEEKS TWO AND THREE

ROOM 1: Jehaan Hendricks for fabulous reading and for settling into school so well. Monica Sullivan for her outstanding home reading log!

ROOM 2: Van Fellingham for his enthusiastic participation in learning. Lupe Sauoleola for great effort in learning, and for following instructions and routines.

ROOM 2a: Zander Herdson for being so helpful in the classroom. Luca Williams for outstanding reading - keep it up!

ROOM 3: Shakyna Tupai for having a positive attitude towards all learning. Jadon Ama for outstanding rockin' and rollin' during music and dance practice.

ROOM 4: Miller Clayton for a fantastic first week back at school. Lucian Larking for being a focused, independent learner.

ROOM 5: Eva Dreliozis for her amazing dance skills. Danny Ama for excellent progress in maths and spelling.

ROOM 7: Seth Walker for an excellent attitude toward learning. Jake Sunnex for creative thinking when making tessellations.

ROOM 8: Ella Minty for working hard and being helpful in class. Montana Doorey for excellent effort, behaviour and work.

Ka pai!



Congratulations to our MVP recipients!

PLANT TO PLATE: Thank you to all the Plant to Plate volunteers who make this programme possible - Clifton kids always enjoy starting in the garden and ending up in the kitchen, eating the rewards of their hard work!

CONTACT DETAILS: If you have moved, updated your mobile phone or changed your email address over the holidays, we need to know! We use these details to contact you if your child is involved in an emergency at school. If we don't have your most up-to-date details we won't be able to contact you. Please email any changes to our school office at office@clifton.school.nz, send a note to school with your child or phone 06 322 1544.

CLIFTON SCHOOL SHARING TABLE: Our gardening group will be setting up a sharing table each Friday after school. Vegetables that we have grown will be available for you to take home for free. If you have extra fruit or vegetables at home which you'd like to share, please deliver them to Room 5 and we will include it on our sharing table.

NOTICES NOW AVAILABLE ON OUR ANSWERPHONE: Each Monday morning, notices for the week will be available for you to check on our school answerphone. Simply phone 322 1544 then press "2" when prompted. Notices will include when canteen is available, when our sausage sizzle is happening next, if scholastic orders are due, or when presentation assemblies are being held, etc.

CANTEEN THIS WEEK, SAUSAGE SIZZLE NEXT WEEK: Nachos are on the menu for canteen this week. Please make sure your order and payment is into our school office by 8:55am on Thursday morning, for lunch on Friday.

LIONS OF MARTON ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS: If you are a person who wants to give back to your community you are not alone. As a society New Zealand is not mean-spirited. Each year around a million Kiwis participate in voluntary work of one kind or another, averaging over five hours a week.

Statistics New Zealand estimates non-profit institutions and volunteers contribute a massive \$7 billion to the New Zealand economy and our Government encourages and supports this commitment. You too can become part of the strong surge of interest to contribute positively to your community and join Lions of Marton. Please contact Bill or Sue Tooley for more information: bill_tooley@yahoo.com, 06 327 4340 or 021 251 3138.

THANK YOU, FONTERRA GRASS ROOTS: The Fonterra Grass Roots Fund supports New Zealand communities by funding their smart ideas, projects and initiatives. Recently, the Fund offered free high visibility vests and Mrs Whitehouse ordered a couple of class sets (photo bottom right) - don't they look great?

DESIGN THE DISCO FLYER COMPETITION: Our Friends of the School Group would like to invite Clifton School kids to design the background for the school disco flyer. The winning entry will receive two free tickets to the disco. Your background needs to be A4 sized and put in the entry box in our school office by Friday, 28 September 2018.

SPORTS NEWS

Netball: On Tuesday, Clifton played a make-up game against Huntley A and won 24-19. Player of the Day was Corbyn Quader. On Saturday we played James Cook A and lost 38-24. Player of the Day was Te Ao Smith.

Clifton had double header the previous week, playing James Cook A in a hard fought game. Unfortunately the early start did not see us at our best losing 20-19. Our second game went to plan as we seemed to now be awake defeating South Makirikiri A 32-16. Players of the Day were Sarah Connelly and Rebecca Latimer.

Also James Ngaau-Harnett, Corbyn Quader and Te Ao Marama Te Momo Smith attended the recent Viking Netball Representative tournament in Dannevirke.

Our next newsletter will be sent home in Week 5.



Clifton kids participate in the Plant to Plate programme



Some of our super sport stars!



Our fabulous Fonterra vests

PARENT'S GUIDE TO A GROWTH MINDSET

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PRAISE

FOR:

EFFORT
STRATEGIES
PROGRESS
HARD WORK
PERSISTENCE
RISING TO A CHALLENGE
LEARNING FROM A MISTAKE



NOT FOR:

BEING SMART
BORN GIFTED
TALENT
FIXED ABILITIES
NOT MAKING MISTAKES

SAY:

"YOU TRIED VERY HARD AND YOU USED THE RIGHT STRATEGY!"
"WHAT A CREATIVE WAY TO SOLVE THAT PROBLEM."

FAILURES AND MISTAKES = LEARNING

SAY:

"YOU CAN LEARN FROM YOUR MISTAKES."
"MISTAKES HELP YOU IMPROVE."
"LET'S SEE WHAT OTHER STRATEGIES YOU CAN TRY."



ASK

"WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY THAT MADE YOU THINK HARD?"
"WHAT NEW STRATEGIES DID YOU TRY?"
"WHAT MISTAKE DID YOU MAKE THAT TAUGHT YOU SOMETHING?"
"WHAT DID YOU TRY HARD AT TODAY?"

GROWTH MINDSET
YOU CAN
GROW YOUR
INTELLIGENCE



FIXED MINDSET
YOU CAN'T
IMPROVE
NATURAL ABILITIES
YOU WERE
BORN WITH

BRAIN CAN GROW

SAY:

"YOUR BRAIN IS LIKE A MUSCLE. WHEN YOU LEARN, YOUR BRAIN GROWS. THE FEELING OF THIS BEING HARD IS THE FEELING OF YOUR BRAIN GROWING!"

THE POWER OF "NOT YET"

SAY:

"YOU CAN'T DO IT YET."
"YOU DON'T KNOW IT YET."
"BUT IF YOU LEARN AND PRACTICE, YOU WILL!"



RECOGNIZE YOUR OWN MINDSET

BE MINDFUL OF YOUR OWN THINKING AND OF THE MESSAGES YOU SEND WITH YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS.

