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Newsletter: Term 1, Week 2, 5 February 2019

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Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava • Bula Bula

A huge welcome back to you all for the new year and to our first newsletter of 2019. Clifton School has had a wonderful start to the year and it has been so good to see all the old faces smiling once again, as well as the many, many new faces who have joined us this year. As a school we seem to be continually growing and we have started the year with just over 200 children. Please be aware of this as there will be many new faces in our school community; please make them welcome when you see them.

As always at the start of the year there is a huge demand for new uniform which inevitably results in a delay in supply. We understand this, and will make allowances, however we would like to reiterate that uniform is compulsory and all children are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times. Our uniform is comprised of our school polo tee, blue drill shorts or skorts. I ask that the children do not wear clothing that can be seen underneath their polo tees or shorts. As the weather cools during the year, the school polar fleece is available from the school office. Please do not send your children to school with a non-uniform sweatshirt or jacket. Thank you for your understanding regarding this and I am sure you agree that when everyone wears the full and correct uniform, our kids look great.

This Thursday evening we are holding our family barbecue between 5:00pm and 7:00pm. There will be a free sausage sizzle for everyone, the pool will be open and some sports gear will be available on the field. Please come along and meet everyone and have an informal chat to your child's teacher. It is a wonderful opportunity for us to all come together and celebrate a new year and get to know each other better.

We are also holding our annual whole school camp on Thursday 28 February. We hope to use tents so we will need to borrow tents for about 150 people. Please have a think about whether you have a tent we could use. If we don't get enough we will still do the camp but will sleep inside classrooms like we did last year. More information about this camp will come out over the coming weeks. Because of the overnight camp, school will finish at 12:30pm on Friday 1 March 2019.

Over the next few weeks I am going to put together a calendar for the year's events so that all important dates are available to you now and you can be prepared. I can assure you that there will be no more teacher only days during term time this year.

If you ever have any questions then please feel free to come and see us. My office door is always open and the coffee machine is always ready to work.

Have a great week and we look forward to seeing you at the school barbecue on Thursday evening.

Adrian Burn, Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday 6 February.....Waitangi Day - no school today
Thursday 7 February.....Barbecue at school from 5pm
Wednesday 13 February.....BoT meeting
Friday 22 February.....Rm8 presentation assembly
Friday 15 March.....Rm3 presentation assembly
Friday 5 April.....Rm5 presentation assembly
Friday 12 April.....End of term 1
Monday 30 April.....Start of term 2



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Paris (Rm2) will be 6 tomorrow,
and Kiarin (Rm7) will celebrate
his 11th birthday on Friday.

Nga mihi nui i to ra whanau.

*Wishing you many happy returns
of the day.*

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEK'S MOST VALUABLE PUPILS!

ROOM 1: Eva Day for being confident and friendly at school.

ROOM 2: Piper McNeil for showing respect in our classroom.

ROOM 3: Jacob Ellery for being respectful at mat time.

ROOM 4: Samuel 'Atonaikami-Kimui for focus and respect during learning.

ROOM 5: Miller Clayton for excellent focus and in staying in tune during music.

ROOM 6: Danny Ama for respecting his peers and our classroom.

ROOM 7: Vincent Ayres for outstanding maths results.

ROOM 8: Daniel Morrell-Hood for a fabulous start to 2019.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HOUSE LEADERS

- **KAHURANGI**
Montana Doorey and Teagan Donaldson (Deputy)
- **KAKARIKI**
Te Ao Marama Te Momo Smith and Preston Ngaau-Harnett (Deputy)
- **KOWHAI**
Kaitlyn Jewell and James Leask (Deputy)
- **WHERO**
Sarah Connelly and Myley Ward (Deputy)

FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL INVITATION

Our Friends of the School Group are parents who volunteer some of their time to Clifton School and our school community. They would like to invite you to a get-together at the Bulls RSA on Friday, 15 February 2019 at 7:00pm. Please RSVP to 027 848 9125 or email fots@clifton.school.nz for catering purposes (supper is provided).

HAVE YOUR EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED?

If you have changed your mobile phone, moved house or have a new job - we need to know! Please contact our school office to update these details as we need these in case of an emergency. Medical information forms will be sent out for every child with next week's newsletter for you to complete and sign (this is to meet school policy requirements). Please return these as soon as possible.

DID YOU KNOW?

Nit treatments are available from your family doctor for **FREE**. The doctor's appointment is free and the treatment is free. We have already had reports of parents finding nits and eggs in their children's hair. **PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S HAIR TODAY** and organise treatment now if your child has nits.

READING EGGS AND MATHLETICS

These are two online programmes that our teaching staff have researched to support your child's classroom learning. Children can also log on at home after school and during the weekend to continue the programme.

Our board of trustees have agreed to meet half of the cost of each child's subscription, with a balance of \$10.00 each for Reading Eggs and Mathletics which we ask parents to meet. This will be charged to your school account unless you let us know that you would prefer your child not to have access to these programmes.

If you would like to know more about Reading Eggs, please go to <https://readingeggs.co.nz/>.

For Mathletics, please go to <http://www.mathletics.co.nz/>.

Or talk to your child's teacher (perhaps at the school barbecue on Thursday!).

JUNIOR GOLF DAY - SUNDAY 10 FEBRUARY

Rangitikei Golf Club is hosting a fun 6-hole ambrose team event for beginner level golfers, or those playing for the first time. TEAM GOLF is a great format for young golfers who want to play with friends in a relaxed environment. This event will be held at the Rangitikei Golf Club (Raumai Road, Bulls) on Sunday 10 February. Meet at the club house at 12 noon. Open to all U19 girls and boys new to golf.

For more information, please phone Rhys on 021 073 2013.



Above: Clifton School's float for the 2018 Bulls Christmas Parade.

SATURDAY MUSIC 2019

Enrolment Day

Saturday, 9th February, 9:00am - 11:30am
Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School

\$130 for 27 lessons

Classes are available for these instruments and courses:
cello, choir, clarinet, drums, flute, french horn, guitar, ukulele,
junior flute (fife), keyboard, music basics, orchestra, recorder, saxophone, trombone,
trumpet and violin.

Enrolments close on Saturday 9th February, classes begin 2nd March.

www.saturdaymusic.org.nz

contact@saturdaymusic.org.nz

Visit our website or facebook page for specific course details and updates