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Inspiring a love of learning through an education that values the development of the whole child

20 February 2024

Week 4, Term 1

Kia ora koutou

New Internal Process - Occasionally we have had children leave the classroom without permission, or not return from a break. We have had policies around individual children regarding this kind of incident, usually as part of an individual education plan for a neurodiverse student, known to run away at times. We now have a policy that covers all children in the school which I am therefore sharing with parents and caregivers:



- If a child is missing from the classroom for any reason the office and Principal will be informed within 5 minutes.
- At 10 minutes, if the child has not been found, parents will be rung.



Professional Learning Development (PLD) - Throughout the year teachers undertake a range of PLD. All teachers this year are focussed on learning about the refreshed curriculum and in particular familiarising themselves with the refreshed English, Maths and Social Studies learning areas. Updating our local curriculum to reflect changes in the New Zealand Curriculum and Te Marautanga o Aotearoa is a leadership focus for Clifford. Other PLD this year includes:

- 11 teachers doing Te Āhu o te reo at various levels
- Susan, Britta and Rebecca doing BSLA (structured literacy)
- Nichole and Rebecca doing 'The Incredible Years' PLD
- Paula is completing her Montessori Diploma
- Clifford is completing a child and adolescent counselling diploma
- Deborah is registered for PLD in relation to teaching Neuro diverse students run by MANZ (Montessori Association of NZ)
- Sacha has applied on behalf for the school for further STEM field based science PLD involving all teachers, with a focus on the local environment, Marautanga Māori and the local curriculum.

Recently a few of us visited Te Papa to learn about the dinosaur exhibition and the education programmes available for English and Māori medium classes to participate in. In March, five teachers, (including the principal) will attend a Murray Gadd after school workshop on 'Building Young Writers'. In April, Clifford is attending the Wellington/Wairarapa 2 day Principals' Conference and taking Erana, Johanne, Britta and Rebecca. During the school holidays we will be hosting Charlotte Wilkinson for one day PLD. (Charlotte is a maths specialist who helps teachers develop exciting Maths programmes in their schools).

There will be further PLD opportunities for teachers as the year progresses and workshops and courses are advertised.

Apples – Please feel free to help yourself to the apples from the tree by Ngaio classroom.





School Picnic – Our annual picnic will be on Wednesday 27 March at Aotea Lagoon in Porirua. Whānau are invited to join us. The cost is \$8.00 per child.

Birthdays This Week: Happy birthday to Rufus, Irirangi and William. Rā whānau ki a koutou! We hope you all have a great day.





Splat – Drama lessons are back at Ōtari on Friday afternoons (1.30-2.30pm)! Josh, formerly of Marrzipan is now providing drama through his new company, *Splat*. Please see the flyer below for more details. If there is sufficient interest *Splat* drama will begin in term 2.



Taonga Horomata: Fairness - Matatikatanga/Ngakāupono

Fairness is treating each other even-handedly so that each person receives a share. With fairness we meet everyone's needs. Fairness is giving all people the treatment they earn and deserve. It doesn't mean treating everyone alike. (John Wooden)



He kōanga tangata tahi, he ngāhuru pukahu noa (Scarce at planting, all present at harvest)







Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
Whānau hui	Immersion whānau	Thurs 22 Feb	
Immunisations	Yr 7	Mon 4 Mar	
WZ Cricket	Selected students	Tues 5 Mar	
Life Education	All students	11-15 Mar	\$8.00
Pedal Ready	All students	18-22 March	
WZ Ki o Rahi	Selected students	Tues 19 Mar	
Trip to Te Papa	Totara/Kereru	Tues 26 Mar	ТВС
School Picnic	All students	Wed 27 March	\$8.00
Easter Break – NO SCHOOL	Everyone	Fri 29 Mar, 1 & 2 Apr	
WZ Football	Selected students	Tues 9 April	

Kia pai to koutou wiki! Have a great week everyone!

Ngā mihi Clifford



Samuel Marsden Collegiate School – Girls entering Year 9 in 2025. Marsden warmly invites families of girls entering Year 9 in 2025 to their first Open Morning for 2024 on **Friday 22 March**, 8.45am-12pm. Register at www.marsden.school.nz/register. Scholarships for entry in 2025 are now open. For more infor & to apply, visit www.marsden.school.nz/enrolments/scholarships

Roar & Snore | Te Papa. Fri 15 – Sat 16 Mar 2024, 7.00pm–9.00am. Dinos probably didn't roar, but the kids will at this one-of-a-kind, whānau-friendly sleepover at Te Papa! Roar & Snore is an extraordinary opportunity to sleep among the dinos of Ngā Taniwha o Rūpapa - Dinosaurs of Patagonia. Bed down next to tiny Manidens, ferocious Tyrannotitan, or the colossal 30-metre-long Patagotitan. Explore the exhibition after hours, hear kōrero from Te Papa's scientists and researchers, and enjoy a hot drink and treat. Roar & Snore offers a unique way to engage with prehistory. Tickets are limited, so book your spot now for the sleepover of a lifetime! Continental breakfast included.

Calling all footballers from 5-15 years....! Onslow Junior Football Club is accepting registrations now for the 2024 winter football season. Boys and Girls are welcome to register for Mixed Football (U7-U15) on Saturdays or First Kicks (for children turning 5 or 6 this year) on Sundays. Girls also have the option of playing Girls Football (U8-U14) on Sundays. Register via our website: https://onslow.org.nz/registrations/. For more info see our website: https://onslow.org.nz/ or e-mail football@onslow.org.nz. Registrations close 12th March

Karori West Normal Schools annual fair is on Saturday 16th March 2024 from 11am - 2pm. PLEASE NOTE: this year there will be NO white elephant or clothes, but there will be kids' books, toys, crafts and lots of delicious food and loads of fun activities and sideshows. So come along, grab a deal, have a turn on the inflatable axe throwing, inflatable slide or angry birds game. Sit and enjoy a treat from our cafe and cakes stall then lunch from our international foodcourt. Should be a fun day, hope to see you there. Don't forget your keep cup and shopping bag.





WHAT IS THIS STUDY ABOUT?

With the START CARE study we are comparing two different ways of treating asthma to find out which one is better at preventing asthma exacerbations in tamariki.

• A separate preventer (Flixotide, Serotide or Symbicort) taken every day and reliever (Ventolin or Respigen) taken when needed;

OR

 \cdot A single combined preventer and reliever (Symbicort) taken when needed and/or every day

The inhalers being used are called "Turbuhalers", they are breath activated and do not require a spacer like most common inhalers currently used. During the first visit the child is taught how to use the Turbuhaler safely. At the second visit, if their asthma is stable, the child will be given one of the treatments (decided at random) to take for one year.

If the child's asthma is bad, or they have an asthma exacerbation, we might want to increase the amount of the study inhaler(s) they are taking.

During the study, we will meet with each participant and their whanau 6 times at our clinic. We will ask questions about their asthma and perform some breathing tests.

All study medication is provided free-of-charge during the study and parents will be reimbursed for their travel expenses.

This study is for children aged between 5 years to 11 years old who have asthma.

Contact startcare@mrinz.ac.nz for more information.



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The Football For All programme has the primary aim of fostering inclusion, participation and hauora, by using football as a vehicle.

The programme places tamariki and rangatahi from ages 5-18 into their local football clubs, futsal teams and school teams by removing barriers to the game.

The programme has been designed to focus on our refugee and immigrant communities, as well as lower socio economic families and families facing hardship.

Football For All focuses on the following barriers:

- Registration costs
- Equipment needs
- Transportation assistanceCommunication difficulties



There are multiple ways to get involved with the 2024 programme. Participants can select the level of support they need for the season, choose to play club football or school football or Futsal.

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR YOUR AREA https://footballforall.org.nz/



LEVELS OF SUPPORT





