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#### Principal's Message

**Greetings Everyone** 

Contact Details Please, please, please let us know if your contact details (phone number, address etc) or those of emergency contacts change. We have already had two instances of sick children and several children who have not been collected from school at 3.30pm and have not been able to contact any caregivers!

General Permissions At the time of enrolment all caregivers complete a general "Permissions" form. This allows children to participate in general school trips, Milk in Schools, Nit Busters head checks and treatment, as well as internet access and permission for us to use student photos on the school website, Facebook page and in local newspapers. Once again, please let us know if your circumstances have changed and you wish to change any of these.

David Prchal, Principal

NZEI Paid Union Meeting - 14th March 2018
School will be closing at Ipm on Wednesday.
14th March in order for all teaching staff to attend a compulsory Union meeting. All students will need to go home at I pm.

Morningside After School Care will be operating from Ipm. If you would like your child to attend, please contact Lynley on 021 0232 0343. All students still on school grounds at 1:15pm will be sent to after school care and parents invoiced (as detailed in our previous newsletter regarding supervision and safety for

# Important Dates:

14th March - Union Meeting - School closes at 1pm

30th March - Good Friday (School Closed)

2nd April - Easter Monday (School Closed)

3rd April - Easter Tuesday (School Closed)

14th April - Last day of Term One

1st May - First day of Term Two

## Morningside Netball 2018

children after school)

If your child(ren) would like to play netball this year please use the following link to register. <a href="https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/70085">https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/70085</a>

Registrations must be completed and fees paid (\$37) to the school office by the **23rd March**.

### Whangarei FC Soccer Club

Come and join your local football club this season. All ages are most welcome.

Upcoming rally days (held at the clubrooms in Morningside).

Saturday 24th February 2pm Tuesday 27th February 6pm

Check out the FC Whangarei Facebook page for more information.



### Maori

Kia ora Koutou! Monday will be our first Kapahaka practice for the new year. We were excited to see lots of new tamariki who have signed up and we have added some new songs to our repertoire! As always, if you would like to be a part of our kapahaka roopu and are able to tautoko us in any way we would love to hear from you. Please come and see Mrs Shroff in Team Pukeko or Mrs Uffindell in Team Tui to ask any questions.

## The Arts

The Hearty Arty Hub is back up and running, with the theme of 'Glee Club' for Term 1! It has been great to see so many students committing their time to practising. We have worked together to pick a song that we know will be a hit. We look forward to performing it at the end of term assembly. Miss Keogh and Mrs Davidson are very proud of our tamariki!



#### Hari huritau ki a koe!

21st February - 6th March

Team Kakariki - No birthdays

Team Kea - No birthdays

Team Tui - No birthdays

Team Pukeko - Reihana

Team Kotare - No birthdays

Team Kereru - Tiaki

Team Kiwi - No birthdays

### P.E.

Congratulations to our PAL leaders for 2018: We have three teams this year:
Team Tighty Whiteys lead by Carter with
Peyton, Ryder, Prinze and Kim.
Team Avengers, lead by Deegan with Chekuan,
Finlay, Lincoln and Manaia-Lee.
Team Turtles lead by Tamati with Lennox,
Tahsjone, Mana and Mia. They are excited to
run their first sessions this week!

# Nga! mihi! Thank you!

Thank you to all that ventured out to our recent Meet the Teacher evening. It was a pleasure to connect with our students and their families. Thank you also to Pak n Save Whangarei for donating the bread for our sausage sizzle and to our Masters of the BBQ Mrs Booth and Mr V!

# **Library**

Check out our 'New Books' shelf in the Library. We have a mixture of the latest picture books and chapter books on display. After a couple of weeks, these books will be available to take home and a new set of books will be on display.

### What's happening in the Teams?

<u>Team Kakariki</u>: Tena koutou whānau mā. We have had such a busy time in Roopu Kakariki over the last few weeks. We have been celebrating all our wonderful differences that make us who we are, enjoying visits from Educare, meeting new tamariki that will be joining Roopu Kakariki in coming weeks, blowing Whaea Marama away with how awesome we all are in the pool (she thinks we're all fish), and really cementing strong foundations for being at school. We've got some great things coming up over the next weeks so keep an eye out for any extra newsletters. Ngā mihi nui tonu ki a koutou katoa ā, ka titiro ki mua ki te kite i a koutou a tēra wiki e haere mai ana.

**Team Kea:** We are trucking along nicely in Team Kea! We have introduced our tamariki to our new OSMO gadgets this week and we will be using these as a tool to help us with more independence with our learning. Please remember to sign up to Seesaw, our tamariki are so keen to share with you! Swimming is Monday, Wednesday and Friday, however, please send togs everyday just in case.

<u>Team Tui</u>: The Tui tamariki have been working hard to become super learners so they can do their best for the year ahead! Just a few reminders that our library days are Monday and Tuesday, swimming days are Wednesday and Friday and that we would love to see kids bringing their reading book bags back each day so they can take home a new choosing book. We also want to remind anyone who isn't connected to our Team Tui seesaw to come and see one of the teaching team before or after school so we can help you to connect with your child's day at school.

<u>Team Pukeko:</u> Things are going so well in Pukeko! We have launched into our Daily 5 literacy programme and are thrilled at the levels of independence and engagement we are seeing in the classroom. Please help your child to bring their book bag to school every day from now on. Also, our library day is Monday at present, and while our swimming days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, we encourage our kids to bring togs every day in case there is an opportunity for an extra swim.

<u>Team Kotare:</u> Team Kotare are doing well with settling back into school routines. We are having lots of fun learning about who we are as individuals as well as a team. Please help your children to remember their togs on Mondays and Fridays, even if the weather looks doubtful in the morning. It has been so hot and we hate to see kids missing out!

**Team Kereru:** We have had a great first few weeks in Team Kereru! We have enjoyed getting in the pool and cooling off in the hot weather. It has been great to see so many students striving to earn a 'Positive Pompom' for our jar, which goes towards earning a celebration day at the end of the term. Whaea Aleisha, our lovely student teacher, is finishing her practicum this week, but we look forward to having her back later in the year. Thank you for all your hard work! Please feel free to come in and see us at any stage. We would love to have a korero with you.

<u>Team Kiwi:</u> In Team Kiwi we have been learning about the Volvo Ocean Race and have started on our week four reading topic which is centred around ocean plastic pollution. We are so impressed with the responsible use of devices and internet so far in our class. It is good to see that so many young people are able to harness the information out there to extend their learning. We are seeing some promising research skills shining through during our research time. Well done tamariki, keep up the awesome work!