

Dear Parents and Caregivers

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Text reminder – We have an alternative to our text the school when your child is absent on 027 266 0365

This week's success key is **persistence**

Persistence is trying harder even when your work is frustrating, motivating yourself to keep going even when the rewards are small and rising to challenges with your best efforts.

Final Assembly

This occasion is very special for our Year 6 children who will be leaving to head on to Intermediate. It would be great to have every Year 6 child represented by someone. Please take this as a personal invitation to you all, especially parents, friends and whanau of the Year 6 's.

All children are busy rehearsing for what will be a great final assembly on Friday 14 December at the College Hall. 10.30am start and the assembly should conclude by 12.30pm. Please let the class teacher know and feel free to take your children home from the assembly.

Two lucky children will be drawn to win a brand-new bicycle and helmet for Christmas.

Early Finishes

As all the teaching staff will be involved in refresher first aide training from 1pm to 5pm on

Monday 17 December, school will close for instruction at Midday. If your child is unable to be supervised during this time, some supervision will be provided.

School concludes for the year on Thursday 20 December at Midday.

Pet and Flower Day

Thank you for all our support for our annual Pet and Flower day. The day was a great success. Even the brief rain couldn't dampen the children's enthusiasm. It was also great to see so many of our helpers could make the thank you morning tea. Thanks again for all you do for our Firth Family.

Buses Finishing

Our current school bus system will conclude this Friday 14 December. If your child wishes to attend school for the half day Monday, full day Tuesday and Wednesday and the half day on Thursday 20 December, alternate transport will need to be sort.

This will be our final Newsletter for the year.

I hope we will see many of you at our final assembly this week on Friday 14 December. If you can't make it, thank you for all your continued support for your learners at Firth. We wish you and your family all the very best for a joyous and festive Christmas and a happy and safe summer break. School officially finishes at 12.00pm on Thursday 20 December. See you back on Monday 4 February 2018.

2019 Term Dates

Term 1- Monday 4 February - Friday 12 April.

Term 2 - Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July.

Term 3 - Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

Term 4 - Monday 14 October - Thursday 12 December

*“Christmas gives us the opportunity to pause and reflect on the important things around us”
David Cameron.*

“It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air.”W.T.Ellis

Merry Christmas and happy and safe holidays.

Kind regards

James Eldridge and the team at Firth