

Firth Primary School Newsletter No 6
2 May 2019

Kia ora koutou
Dear Parents and Caregivers

Keep up-to-date with what is happening at Firth Primary School on our Website. Firth Newsletters are now available at www.firth.school.nz

Firth Primary School Facebook page.

We have a facebook page - please 'like' our page to keep up to date with what is happening at Firth, and other important information and stay "in the loop" in 2019 with our school app.

Text reminder – We have an alternative to our automated absentee phone service. You may prefer to text the school when your child is absent on 027 266 0365

Reminder next Newsletter will be **Thursday 16 May - Week 3 - Term 2**

Our school success key is **Confidence**.

Welcome Back.

A warm, welcome to all. I hope the school holidays were a great success for all and you were able to spend quality time with your children. They have all arrived back at school ready to learn during Term 2. This term we begin with Active Time and PMP for our 5 year olds. The morning bell still rings at 8:55 am. Please have the children at school by 8:45 am. This allows enough time for the teachers to take the roll and then send the whole class out for some physical activity before learning begins for the day.

Friday Assembly this week

During our normal Friday assembly, we will spend some time reflecting on the significance of ANZAC Day and its importance to our country

Assembly will be at 9.00am Friday morning, Room 5 will be sharing. Next Friday 10 May Room 3 will be sharing. We look forward to seeing you

Welcome to our new students LJ Fallon, Noah Renshaw, Tutepo Pinker King, Anya Kemp, Harper Judge-Moloney, Isaiah & Suliasi Vakalahi and their families who have joined us.

NZEI Paid Union Meeting

Supervision will be provided for any children who cannot go home early. An alternative programme will be arranged.

For those students that can go home, they will be released at **12.45pm, Wednesday 8 May**, to allow staff to attend an NZEI Paid Union Meeting.

Please advise the class teacher or school office if your child/ren have permission to go home.

PhotoLife - School Photographs

Class, team, individual and sibling photographs will be taken next Monday 6th May 2019.

Information regarding PhotoLife's Online Ordering System was distributed to students on Tuesday 30 April.

Sibling Photo Request Forms are available from the school office.

Scholastic Bookclub

Issue 3 brochures were distributed earlier this week. Orders need to be at school by Wednesday 15 May.

Board of Trustee Elections

The triennial Board of Trustees Elections are being held in May/June this year. Nominations must be received by Friday 24 May. This is an opportunity for any parents wishing to join the Board of Trustees to become involved and who believe in making a positive difference to our children's learning

Please check with the school office that you are on the BOT Voting Roll and that we have your correct postal address.

Board of Trustees Election Key Dates

Friday 10 May	Nominations open
Friday 24 May Noon	Nominations close
Friday 7 June	Voting closes
Thursday 13 June	Votes counted and results declared

Maths Survey

A BIG thank you to all families who responded to our maths questionnaire. So far we have 65 forms returned and the information is now being collated. We will let you know how maths is being used in other homes. This will give you more ideas to use at home. It is not too late to return your questionnaire. Please get these in to class teachers or the office as soon as you can. This information will help us with our maths programme.

Improve our Communication - Your email is required.

If you have an email address could you please send one to your child(ren)s class teacher(s). This way the teacher can bounce you an email to inform you of when your child will receive a certificate at Friday celebration assembly.

Headlice

Reminder - please check your child/ren's hair for signs of nits and if present please treat them. A united front will help to eradicate this common problem. We do have a supply of Kids Can treatment products.

Please check and update your school records if your mobile number has changed.

Unfortunately, we are still trying to contact some parents on non-existent phone numbers.

Free Ear Clinic Service for Children

Monday 6 May Firth Primary School 9.30a.m. - 2p.m.

Thursday 6 June Matamata Primary School, Broadway 9.30a.m. - 2p.m.

Thursday 27 June Firth Primary School 9.30a.m. - 2p.m.

NB: A parent or legal guardian MUST be present for a child to be seen at clinic.

Visit the free Mobile Ear Clinic for: glue ear assessment and management, wax foreign body removal, grommet checks, treatment of discharging ears and other ear health concerns.

Drop-ins only. No appointment required.

Hearing tests are not available at this clinic.

Please contact The Vision Hearing Technicians to arrange a screening hearing test for your child.

Phone 838 3565 extension 22095 to arrange an appointment.

For other enquiries regarding this service please phone- 07 838 3565.

Term Dates 2019

Term 2 - Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July.

Term 3 - Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

Term 4 - Monday 14 October - Friday 13 December

Term 2

Monday 6 May School Photographs

Monday 6 May Free Ear Clinic Service for Children

Monday 6 May Siblings Without Rivalry

Friday 10 May Fun in 1

Tuesday 14 May NYLD - School Leaders

Tuesday 14 May Parent Workshop

Friday 17 May Cotter Cup - Hinuera

Tuesday 21 May Parent Workshop

Friday 24 May Fun in 1

Tuesday 28 May Parent Workshop

Monday 3 June Queen's Birthday Weekend

Friday 7 June Fun in 1

Monday 10 June Hiwi the Kiwi Show

Monday 10 - Friday 14 June Firth Parent Group Op Shop

Wednesday 12 June Whanau Open Evening

Friday 14 June Teacher Only Day

Thursday 20 June Winter Sports

Friday 21 June Fun in 1

Tuesday 25 June Poetry Finals

Friday 28 June Grandparents Day

Monday 1 July - Friday 5 July - Book Week

Friday 5 July Book Character Parade

Friday 5 July Last day of term 2

Coming Events


Firth Parent Group

Our school is rostered on at the Opportunity Shop (Arawa Street) Monday 10 June - Friday 14 June.

The shop is open from 9 a.m to 3 p.m. daily.

Start to sort out all that unwanted, unloved, must of shrunk in the wash, items of clothing, or linen and save it for this valued fundraiser. If you can help on any of these days please leave your name at the office.

We really need your assistance.


 
MATAMATA COLLEGE INTERACT
would like to formally invite you to the
OPENING OF THE INTERACT COMMUNITY
BASKETBALL COURT
ON
FRIDAY 3RD MAY
from
3:30PM-5:30PM
at
MATAMATA COLLEGE TURF
RSVP to matamatainteract@gmail.com


Siblings Without Rivalry



“That’s mine!” “No, mine!”
He punched me! I never touched him!
..... You love him more than me!

No need to go it alone when coping with sibling rivalry. Join other parents with the same frustrations. Learn how to reduce conflict and generate goodwill among all your children.

Starting Monday 6 May 7.00 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.

Ph or txt Liz: 021490294

Tell me and I forget, teach me and I remember, involve me and I learn.

Benjamin Franklin

Have a great week.

Jeanette Malligan and the team at Firth.