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Kia ora te whanau

PRINCIPALS BLURB

Welcome to week 6. Wow the year is fast disappearing. We have a full few weeks of activities and events that we hope you can share with us. We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Johnston who is retiring at the end of the year after 19 years at Firth Primary School and also to Mrs Murray who will be leaving us at the end of the year to be “nana” to her new moko and support her whanau. We will be farewelling these teachers at our end of year prizegiving. Please lock in the date Monday 14th December at 10.30 am at the College Hall. Thank you to our amazing parents that came to camp with us, without you we cannot provide this opportunity for our students. We had a great week amidst the rain and closures to some of the planned activities. However, with Mrs J at the helm and her fast thinking and flexibility we were able to engage in other activities. Our students were amazing and adapted to the changes with a positive attitude and certainly became resilient during the week. Our teachers are currently completing testing and writing reports that will be sent home at the end of the term.

Welcome:

A special welcome to Joslyn Naylor, Sebastian & Peyton Johnson, Daya Vajani, Lilly Rota and David Dixon. Welcome to the Firth whanau.

Scholastic Bookclub Offer No 8

The latest brochure has been distributed to students. This offer closes on Thursday 26 November.

Yummy Sticker Collecting

We are still collecting Yummy stickers. They can be found on all types of fruit, not just the apples. This will assist us to win free sports gear again at the end of 2021.

Pet and Flower Show

This will be held on Friday 4 December. Information sheets have been distributed to students today. Further information will be available from classroom teachers. Two sections are compulsory and we encourage children to participate in as many as possible.

Turf Project

Our turf is finally here. It looks great and we are all excited about this new play space. This week the students will enjoy playing in a new play space. Basketball and Netball hoops will be added.



Year 6 Camp

We returned from camp with some very tired, exhausted but happy campers. I was most impressed with the “go get em” attitude that a number of our students had while on camp pushing themselves outside their comfort zones and achieving personal goals. Thank you once again Mrs Johnson for your amazing organisation and ensuring that our year 6 students ended the year with a “buzz” in a very challenging year with COVID.



Important Term Dates 2020

**LAST DAY OF TERM 4 - Wednesday 16th December
1.00 pm**

Corinthians Cup - **Tuesday 24th November** - 1.30 pm

Matamata Int. Open day **Tuesday 24th November** -
year 6 only 9 am

Interschool Athletics - **Thursday 26th November**

Pet and flower show - **Friday 4th December**

Farewell for Mrs Malligan - **Friday 11th December - 2.00
pm**

End of year concert and prize giving - **Monday 14th
December - 10.30 am**

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Kia kaha, Nga mihi
Michelle Ryan
Principal