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Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks

Newsletter ~ Tuesday, 16 May 2023

Kia ora,

As the weather is changing, please can you make sure that your child has warm clothes to wear at school as they will be outside at morning tea and lunch unless it is wet. We will only have indoor breaks if it is raining. If you are able to name your child's clothing that would be fantastic as our lost property, particularly in Huia class, is building steadily.

Next Wednesday the Year 8 children will be spending the day in Palmerston North at the National Young Leaders Conference. Can parents who haven't returned their transport slips please send them back to school asap. Currently we only have transport for 3 children as they need to be there too early for a school bus to be used.

Tomorrow, Wednesday 17th, is a Teacher Only Day. Enjoy the time with your children.

Wednesday 31st May is Rural Schools Road Race at the Bush Multisport in Pahiatua. Races will start from 10.15am. This year all children are also being given the opportunity to take part in an obstacle course, organised by Sport Manawatu. Further information will follow next week

Hot lunches can be brought Monday to Thursday. Unfortunately, we are not able to do hot lunches on a Friday. Please make sure that the foil which the food is wrapped in is clearly named.

Have a great week.

Nga mihi nui

Alison

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 17th May Teacher Only Day (PaCT - Reading)

Wednesday 24th May Y8 National Young Leaders Day (Palmerston North)

Tuesday 30th May Y4 - 8 Tough Guy and Gal Challenge (Palmerston North)

Wednesday 31st May Rural Schools Road Race (Pahiatua, Bush Multisport)

Thursday 8th June Bush Road Race (Eketahuna)

Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th June Parent Teacher Conversations

Thursday 29th June Cultural Festival (Pahiatua)

Friday 30th June Last day of Term 2

Term Dates

Term Two: 26th April to 30th June

Term Three: 17th July to 22nd September Term Four: 9th October to 15th December

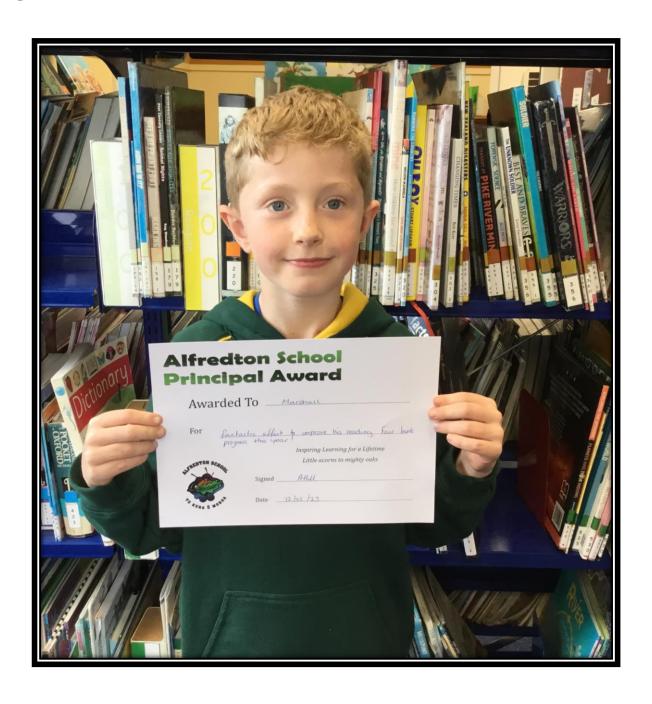
Technology Dates (Year 8)

25th May, 8th, 22nd June

Please make sure that covered footwear (not gumboots) is worn and long hair is tied back. Bush Primary Tech has its own Facebook page where you will find more information about what the children are learning and see their successes.

(https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069563117443)

Principal Award



Classroom Awards



Readers of the Week



Update - Child & Adolescent Oral Health Service

Unfortunately, due to an engineering safety issue the mobile dental clinic that normally comes to Eketāhuna Primary School to serve Alfredton School cannot be towed until new wheel mounts and rims are fitted. The parts required have been ordered by the clinic builder but as yet we do not have a delivery timeframe. The service will therefore be offering appointments for students in our mobile clinic based in Pahiatua. Once the clinic is allowed to be towed again we will schedule a visit to Eketāhuna Primary School. This is not ideal but at this time we have to comply with the safety notice.

In the meantime should there be any oral health concerns then the service can still be contacted via 0800 825 583 (0800 TALK TEETH) or emailed <u>OralHealth@midcentral.govt.nz</u> and where indicated an appointment will be made. Also, if an appointment is made and can no longer be kept please let the service know to reschedule and then the time can be used for another child in need.

Are you and your whānau protected from measles?

With people travelling overseas again, there's a risk that someone with measles could unknowingly bring the disease back to Aotearoa.

Measles spreads easily and quickly, usually between people who are unimmunised or only partially immunised. It can be serious and life threatening. In the 2019 measles outbreak in Aotearoa more than 30% of the people infected had to be admitted to hospital.

The best protection against measles is the free MMR vaccine. It will protect you and your whānau, and prevent the virus from spreading.

You will be protected against measles if you:

- · had 2 doses of the MMR vaccine
- had measles before
- were born before 1 Jan 1969.

If you're unsure if you or your tamariki have had any or both doses of the MMR vaccine, check by calling your GP or hauora provider. Alternatively, check your Plunket Well Child Tamariki Ora book. If you're still not sure, be safe and get immunised – there are no safety concerns with having an extra dose. MMR vaccines are free at your local health provider and many pharmacies.

As measles still occurs in many countries, if you're travelling overseas these holidays it's especially important to be immunised to prevent the risk of being unknowingly infected and causing an outbreak in Aotearoa on your return.

More information about the measles vaccination can be found here:

Measles vaccination - Ministry of Health

From Tui Class

Tui Class have been developing their painting skills with Mr Gardner.







Developing understanding of perspective.





BOT UPDATE

Next meeting 17th May 2023 @ 4.30pm in the Huia Room.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Alfredton School and Community Association AGM TONIGHT

7:30pm in Huia Room
This will be followed by an ASCA Term meeting.
We are seeking a new Treasurer for the coming year.
It would be great to see many parents there.
Everyone Welcome.



Tararua College Community Hui Wednesday 17th May at **Bush Stadium 5-7pm**

children safe. Topics will include school/parent staff and board members discuss keeping your responsibility, vaping, attendance, wellbeing Come along and listen to our guest speakers. sexual health and aniexty/mental health.

Nau mai, haere mai!

Tararua Community Services





Wednesday 26th July, 10-12pm - Developing Good Bedtime Routines Wednesday 28th June, 10-12pm Managing Fighting and Aggression Wednesday 21st June, 10-12pm - Dealing with Disobedience Wednesday 19th July, 10-12pm - Hassle free Mealtimes Wednesday 14th June, 10-12pm - Hassle free Shopping



DISCUSSION GROUPS FOR EVERY PARENI

some more tips for your parenting. Ideal for caregivers Come along to these FREE Discussion Groups to pick up of children aged 2.5-9 years

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Fill out the form via the link

or phone/text Becks Blatchford 021 794 829

Venue: Tararua Community Services - 43 Main Street, Pahiatua

www.tararuacommunityservices.acw.org.nz/programmes