



Kia ora tatou katoa - hi everyone

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PARENTING

If you have been reading these newsletters overtime you will have picked up a few common threads that I feel are really important.

- Parents are children's first and most important teachers
- Children learn from the significant adults in their lives - watching them, listening to them, copying and mimicking them
- Language is all powerful - talk to your children, talk with your children, discuss, explain, read to your children
- Play with your children
- Parenting is your most important job - so just like work you should be thinking, planning and reflecting on what you do, and asking for help when you need it. *The pay isn't great but the payback overtime can be amazing - that's a grandfather talking!*

An oft repeated phrase is "the best thing you can spend on kids is time", for me it comes with the proviso - quality time is better than quantity time. For me two hours on a couch watching TV and not talking doesn't have the same value as 20 minutes on the same couch reading to a child and exploring the book together.

~ REPORTING TO PARENTS ~
Tuesday 5 December and Wednesday 6 December
2:15pm – 7pm
School closes at 2pm both days

***** The online booking system will be available from Monday 27 November onwards *****

TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT TIME

Enter the Website:

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Type in the Event Code:

nap8d

Then follow the three simple steps to book a time for your child(ren). If you do not have access to the internet, please see your child's teacher or contact the school office and we can make the booking(s) for you. Thank you.

If your child is in Weka (Room 3 & 4), you will receive a letter home advising which teacher you should book with.

EMERGENCY MOBILE ALERT - Coming soon

The Government will soon be launching a new service to keep people informed in an emergency, led by the Ministry of Civil Defence & Emergency Management (MCDEM). MCDEM is partnering with other authorised agencies – New Zealand Police, Ministry for Primary Industries, Ministry of Health, Civil Defence Emergency Management Groups and Fire and Emergency New Zealand– to use Emergency Mobile Alert to alert people if their lives, property or health are at serious risk.

The system uses cell broadcast technology to send messages to enabled phones, so alerts can be targeted to specific geographic locations. People won't need to sign up to receive alerts, or download an app, alerts will be sent to every enabled phone in the region.



This is an exciting development towards strengthening our emergency alerting systems across New Zealand. But it doesn't replace existing channels and natural warnings. It's another channel for warning people when there is a serious risk. We will still use our existing channels, including social media, our website, TV and radio. A multi-media advertising campaign will ensure New Zealanders know the system is coming and what to do when they receive an alert. We are on track to conduct a nationwide test of the system on 26 November.

What you can do:

- Find out if your phone can receive the alerts at www.civildefence.govt.nz.
- Make sure your family has a plan for what to do in an emergency. You can make yours online www.happens.nz/make-a-plan/
- In an emergency you could be stuck at work, without transport home. Work through the personal workplace emergency plan to work out what you will do.

If you would like more information, check out www.civildefence.govt.nz/emergency-mobile-alerts.

SCHOOL HATS

Please ensure your child has the correct school hat every day. Some children are just picking up other children's hats and wearing them and/or damaging them.

CONGRATULATIONS - to Charlotte O'Leary de Malmanche who has reached an outstanding proficiency in NZ Gymnastics - 'Level 6 Incentive Award'. Well done Charlotte.

SUMMER STARTER 2017 - Sunday 26th November [**Final days to join the Papanui School Team!**](#)

A huge thank you to those that have signed up already. To start out as a group please meet on the corner of Hawke Street and Marine Parade at 8.30am. See you there and at the finish line!

PARKING ON FRASER STREET

Just a reminder that parking outside school on Fraser Street is three minute parking. This is being monitored by traffic wardens.

JUNIOR SPORTS DAY - Date Confirmation

The pink information sheet that came home last week had the incorrect date on it. Please be aware that the sport day will be held on **WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

23/24 Nov	Seniors - Art Gallery Trip	11 Dec	Juniors Big Day Out <i>change of date</i>
26 Nov	Summer Starter	12 Dec	Leavers Assembly 1:45pm
30 Nov	Kids in Town - <i>Choir & Kapa Haka</i>	13 Dec	Junior Sports Day
5 & 6 Dec	Reporting to Parents (2pm Finish)	13 Dec	Year 6 Te Koru
15 Dec	Last day: SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1PM		
30 Jan 18	Uniform Sale 11am - 1pm		

Kia kaha te menemene - keep smiling
Paul

Community News

Junior Rugby Camp - December 18,19,20 at Sheldon Park, Belfast. All 6 – 14 year olds welcome, including children with previous rugby experience. \$35/day (snacks included). 9:00am – 4:00pm. Enroll at www.belfastrugby.co.nz. Enquiries to belfastrugby@gmail.com or belfast.rfc@xtra.co.nz.

Gran Nan Au Pair - Babysitting/Childcare/Nannyng - All Care and Responsibility given. Experienced Nanny and Trained Caregiver. Short/Long/Live in Assignments. No booking fee. Mature, honest, reliable, professional, experienced lady available for nannying, babysit, childcare. Worked overseas as private live in elderly caregiver in UK for 6 years (certificates available) and now nannying over past 3 years (references available). Long/short bookings/negotiable rates. Can pick up/drop off but

please provide car/booster seats if required. Current first aid certificate/police check. Looking forward to your contact and booking. Ruth Cell: 0211857052.