

NEWSLETTER NO. 1 - TERM 2



2 MAY 2018



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Namaste, Tena Koutou, Bula Vista, Hola, Bonjour, Welcome

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope you all had a lovely relaxing time over the break and enjoyed some quality family time.

A special welcome to all the new families that started with us this week. We wish you all a very happy and long association with the school. We continue to enjoy a strong roll growth and will look to be starting another class up in Term 2 for our New Entrants.

Our School Cross Country is coming up next week so encourage your children to be training for this (weather permitting).

Winter looks to be on its way and we are looking forward to finally having our new wood chip burner up and running the week starting 14 May.

Congratulations to Mrs Spencer who welcomed the arrival of Arlo on 7 April.

Have a great fortnight .

Regards,
Wendy Ryan
Principal



Extra Clothing

At this time of year it is good idea to put a few extra articles of clothing in your child's school bag in case they get wet while playing outside, especially the junior students.

School Uniform

Term 2 winter uniform changes. Please remember that if you need to wear a poly-prop under your t-shirt, it is to be a plain blue or white one (NO multi stripes). No make up, lip gloss or nail polish is to be worn and if your hair is touching your collar, it should be tied up. Navy tracksuit pants can be worn.

IMPORTANT DATES

8 May:	ICAS Digital Technologies Exam
9 May:	Junior School Cross Country 2.00pm
11 May:	Senior School Cross Country 11.30am
14 May:	Mothers Day
15-21 May:	Life Education Bus
18 May:	Southern Zone Cross Country
29 May - 1 June:	Year 6 Tautuku Camp
29 May:	ICAS Science Exam
4 June:	Queen's Birthday
13 June:	ICAS Spelling Exam
14 June:	ICAS Writing Exam
22 June:	Southland Cross Country
6 July:	Last day of Term 2

TERM DATES

Term 3:	Monday 23 July 0- Friday 28 Sept
Term 4:	Monday 15 October - Thursday 13 December (depends on Teacher Only Day/s)

School Driveway

Only staff cars and parents with children with special needs should be using the school driveway off Tay Street. We place cones at the top of the main driveway to ensure the safety of your children so would appreciate vehicles not coming up the driveway between 8.30am to 9.00am and 3.00pm to 3.15pm. The drop off area on Lithgow Street is the perfect place to safely drop off and pick up your child.

Year 6 Camp

The 2018 Year 6 Camp will be held at Tautuku from Tuesday 29 May - Friday 1 June.
A deposit of \$80.00 needs to be paid by Friday 18 May if your child is attending this camp.



SCHOOL NOTICES

Entertainment Book

The Entertainment™ Book is one of our favourite fundraisers at Ascot Community School. Last year we did well but this year we want to do even better! We are raising money for our School. The Entertainment Book sells for \$60.00.

The Entertainment™ Memberships are available as a Book (with a Gold Card and vouchers) or as a Digital Membership that puts all the offers on your smart phone to redeem at the touch of a button. You only need to use it twice and it will have paid for itself!

How do I buy my Entertainment™ Book / Digital Membership?

1. To buy the Entertainment™ Book

Make your payment online at www.entbook.co.nz/9x31175 or complete the attached order form and return to the School Office by Wednesday 11 April.

2. To buy the Entertainment™ Digital Membership

Make your payment online at www.entbook.co.nz/9x31175 or complete the attached order form and return to the School Office. Your Digital Membership will be emailed to you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Blue in the School Office on 03 217-5196.

To order your Book or your Digital Membership securely online visit: www.entbook.co.nz/9x31175

SCHOOL DONATION

The School Donation has been set for 2018 as:

One Child - \$55

Two or more Children - \$100

NB. School donations can be claimed in your tax return so keep your receipt for this.

The School Donation is voluntary but as you are aware, schools rely on the money collected from these donations to allow us to provide more resources for your children's education. Payment of this is much appreciated.

Activity - \$78

Material - \$32

The Activity and Material Fee can either be paid per term or you may pay for the whole year.

Automatic Payment Forms are available from the Office if you would like to set an Automatic Payment up.

Eftpos is also available at the Office.

Room 8

We welcome Kayla Donaldson to our teaching team for the rest of the year. Kayla will be teaching in Room 8 when Miss Sinclair goes overseas.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Sausage Sizzles are on Fridays these will run throughout Term 1. Warm-ups are still able to be brought each day as per normal.

Cost: - \$2 each

Please send your money along in a named envelope with your child's Room Number, just as you normally do for Canteen food.

Healthy Snacks for Brain Break

Brain Break is a ten minute break that the children eat small healthy item. This break happens daily from 10am to 10.10am.

Ideas for brain break food are: fruit, vegetables, nuts, crackers and cheese.

For the junior school children it is a good idea that the fruit is cut into quarters so that they find it more manageable to eat.

