

# NEWSLETTER NO. 2 - TERM 2



## 16 MAY 2018



Dear Parents/Caregivers

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

I hope you are all keeping warm and well with the change in weather taking place.

The Painters are trying their best to complete the painting of the administration block but the race is on as winter descends upon us. We are excited to see that our boiler will be in action by next week.

We welcome Teresa and Harold in the Life Education Bus this week and know that the students are really enjoying the lessons.

Miss Diack is leaving us at the end of the month to work at Edendale School which is much closer to home for her. We thank her for the huge contribution she has made during her time here and wish her all the best.

We were very lucky that the weather held for our Senior School Cross Country last Friday. Our Zone Cross Country will be held on Friday 18 June at the Woodlands Agresearch Centre and the Southland Cross Country is to be held on Friday 22 June.

As the winter approaches we ask that you reinforce at home the need for students to find useful and sensible things to do in the break times at school. Also, if your child is starting to show signs of illness please keep them at home to prevent these illnesses from spreading.

Have a great fortnight .

Regards,  
Wendy Ryan  
Principal

### 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

15-21 May:	Life Education Bus
18 May:	Southern Zone Cross Country
18 May:	Y5/6 Ripa Rugby Tournament
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.

### 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.

### Year 6 Camp

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



# SCHOOL NOTICES

## School Accounts

These are now due. We do have Automatic Payment Forms available from the Office if you would like to set an Automatic Payment up. 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.

Any problems with your account please contact Mrs Blue or leave a message on the answer phone outside school hours and she will get back to you.

Our Bank Account number is: 03 1745 0058244 00  
Eftpos is also available at the School Office

## 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.

## 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.

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

- To buy the Entertainment™ Book**  
Make your payment online at [www.entbook.co.nz/9x31175](http://www.entbook.co.nz/9x31175) or complete the attached order form and return to the School Office by Wednesday 11 April.
- To buy the Entertainment™ Digital Membership**  
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## Canteen Note

Added to the menu are Hot Chocolate Drinks in a variety of sizes  
Small 50c, Medium \$1.00, Large \$1.50

Cup of Soup Chicken or Tasty Tomato with a Cheese Toasted Sandwich \$2.00 each

Sausage Sizzle available every Friday  
\$2.00 each

## Rippa Rugby

On Friday we have a Y5/6 Rippa Rugby Team playing at Rugby Park as part of the Southland Championships. We hope that they have a lot of fun.

## Southern Zone Cross Country

We have more than 40 students aged 8-13 representing the School at our Zone Cross being held at Woodlands on Friday.

This followed qualifications at our School Cross Country held last week.

Those in the 10-13 year age groups are able to qualify for the Southland Championships at Waimumu on June 22.

We wish them luck.

