

NEWSLETTER NO. 3 - TERM 2



30 MAY 2018



Dear Parents/Caregivers

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

I hope you are all enjoying this lovely wintery day. We certainly have picked a great week to have our year 6 Children down at Tautuku Camp with Mr Graham and Miss Nicolson. A big thank you to Mr O’Kane and Mr Hackett who have gone as adult helpers.

We are enjoying the new wood chip boiler at school and now are just making the adjustments to get the heat temperature as we want it as it is regulated now by computer.

Timely for us as our Caretaker Mr Aldridge is leaving us next week to take up a full time position at Kennards Hire. We thank him for his time a Caretaker and know that many of his little helpers will miss him.

A group of our Senior School Leaders attended the Young Leaders Day in Dunedin on Monday.

They had a great day and we were lucky to hear fantastic speakers such as Amanda Wilson, Jono Naylor and Te Waka McLeod

Have an enjoyable Queens Birthday Weekend.
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

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)

PB4L

Ascot Community School is proud to be a part of the 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' contract with the Ministry of Education, known simply as PB4L.

Positive Behaviour for Learning is a framework for teaching social and behavioural skills so the focus can be on teaching and learning.

This project seeks to develop positive and consistent ways to encourage and manage student behaviour.

NYLD 2018
ME WHAKARO RANGATIRA-Think like a leader

This year NYLD was great we listened to speakers like Robby Fruen, Riley Hathaway and Jono Naylor. My favourite speaker was Riley Hathaway who is only 17, she runs the website young ocean explorers and has a dream to stop water pollution She said that by 2050 there will be more water pollution than fish in the sea -Connor Swain

What I really liked about NYLD were the amazing, inspiring speakers. The speakers were Amanda Wilson, Robby Fruen, Jono Naylor and Riley Hathaway. I really liked about Riley was how she made known the problems of water pollution and how New Zealand can work together to help stop water pollution. We had two people say and translate a Maori poem about how to work together. -Caleb Scott

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 a 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.

Southern Zone Cross Country

We had more than 40 students aged 8-13 representing the School at our Zone Cross held at Woodlands on Friday 18 May.

Congratulations to Nate Robertson who was 1st in the 9 year old boys and Archie McIntyre who also was 1st in the 12 year old boys.

Students that qualified for the Southland Cross Country on 22 June are Finlay Collard, Charlie Ross, Archie McIntyre, Thomas Collard, Spencer Goodall, Ashanti West, Joseph Derbyshire, Javin Chandra and Iesha Haora. Congratulations to you all and good luck.

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 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.

Internet Safety

Please remind your children that they can only use the internet at school when an adult is present. Failure to do so will mean that they will not be allowed on the internet until further notice. This is part of our Internet Policy.

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?

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.
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