



FAIRFIELD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

22 February 2019

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE KEEP

SCHOOL HOURS

Monday to Friday	8.45 am	to	2.55 pm
Interval	10.40 am	to	11.05 am
Lunch	12.35 pm	to	1.25 pm

SCHOOL TERMS 2019

Term 1	Tuesday 29 January	to	Friday 12 April
Term 2	Monday 29 April	to	Friday 5 July
Term 3	Monday 22 July	to	Friday 27 September
Term 4	Monday 14 October	to	Friday 13 December

SCHOOL ABSENTEE PHONE LINE

Please phone the school on **855 9718 Ext 1**, text **021 250 5968**, email absent@fairfieldintermediate.school.nz or call in to the school reception to report if your child is absent. This should be done by 9.00 am **each and every** morning your child is away.

Absenteeism, due to ill health, of more than three consecutive days must be accompanied by a doctor's certificate.

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From the Acting Principal ...

Kia Ora Koutou, Greetings

It has been another great couple of weeks at school and it has been fantastic to see the students so engaged in school life. We had a successful swimming sports day last Wednesday at St Paul's pool - the students did themselves proud. The student relay teams even beat the staff team much to Mr Keegan's dismay, with the staff coming in at fourth place. The students have also been highly involved in our Connections Days - both at Karapiro Domain and on site here at school. There has been some valuable learning during this time and an opportunity for students to bond with each other and form strong working relationships with staff also. Our student leader trials have also been well underway and it has been wonderful to see our students stepping out of their comfort zone. We have been highly impressed with the way the students are conducting themselves - they are certainly not making these decisions easy for anyone involved.

We also had our first PTA meeting on Monday night and it was great to see so many parents/caregivers coming along to support the school and our wonderful students. If you missed the meeting and would still like to be involved, you are more than welcome - if you ring the school, we can let you know when the next meeting is or check out our Facebook page and upcoming newsletters.

Just a reminder also that next Wednesday 27 February at 5.30pm we have our Meet the Teacher BBQ. This will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's classroom teacher. Please note that this is more of a group gathering, rather than a time for one on one interviews. If you do wish to have a one on one interview with your child's classroom teacher, in a few weeks, we will be holding our first set of learning conferences for the year. More information regarding these will come out nearer to the time.



Have a great weekend and we look forward to seeing many of you at our Meet the Teacher evening next week.

Kind regards

Angela Walters
Acting Principal

SURVEYS FOR CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE PRACTICE



This year, our school is engaging in work around reinforcing culturally responsive practice, within classrooms and across the school environment as a whole. We are looking to see where our strengths lie in this area, as well as areas for improvement, and so would ask that parents/whanau complete a short online survey for us. It is very important that we receive as many responses as possible to ensure accuracy and depth of data. The link for these surveys will

be emailed to the email address you provided on your child's enrolment form. Alternately, the link is copied below. You only need to complete one survey, even if you have more than one child attending our school. The survey will close on 7 March. Your support in this venture is greatly appreciated.

<https://tinyurl.com/Fairfield-Inter-whanau-2019>

WEEKLY SPORT DRAWS

Please keep an eye out for these either on the school Facebook page or in the Daily Student Notices which are put up on the school website each morning around 9.30 am – www.fairfieldintermediate.school.nz – Information – Student Notices/Sports Draws. It is imperative that the students take note of the daily student notices which are read out in their classes each day.

LEARNING CONFERENCES

These will take place on Tuesday 13 March and Thursday 14 March, further information will come out closer to these dates but **please note**, in the meantime, that **school will be closing at 2.00 pm on Thursday 14 March 2019.**

CHANGES TO DETAILS – ADDRESS – PHONE – CELLPHONES - EMAIL

Please ensure that all changes of address, phone numbers, cellphone numbers and email addresses are kept up-to-date with the school. This is particularly important, when we are trying to contact parents/caregivers in cases of sick students at school. Thank you for your assistance with this. We have already started sending out emails to parents/caregivers. If you have given us your email address but do not seem to be receiving any emails, please contact the school office to ensure we have your correct email address on our records.

NEWSLETTERS

As from next week, we will be emailing newsletters out to those we have an email address for. If we do not have an email address for you, your student will continue to bring home a hard copy of the newsletter. The newsletters are also found on the school website – www.fairfieldintermediate.school.nz – Information – Newsletters.

LUNCH ORDERS FOR 2019

Lunch orders online are now underway and going well. The days for ordering are Monday / Wednesday / Friday, parents simply order and pay online, the food is delivered to the school and then distributed to the classrooms. There is a variety of healthy options and the best part is it's absolutely free to have a parent account. Please follow the process below to set up an account:

1. <https://lunchorders.co.nz/customer/account/create/>
2. Fill in the information in the required sections - address information is 261 Clarkin Road, Hamilton, Waikato, 3214.
3. You will receive a confirmation email - click the link to confirm your account and you are registered and ready to go!



Community News ...

TOOLBOX PARENTING COURSE - Teen Years ((13-18yrs)

6 weekly sessions – Every Wednesday from 27 February to 3 April 7.00-9.00 pm at Desert Spring Community Centre, 408 Peachgrove Road, Fairfield, Hamilton. Contact Heather Bruce on 027 544 8341 or email waikato@parentingplace.nz.

SUPPORT A REFUGEE FAMILY to settle in Hamilton!

Are you interested in supporting a Refugee family? Now is a great time to join Red Cross and register for a free training course. The role of a Refugee Support Volunteer is to support a UN-quota refugee family during their first 3 months of resettlement in Hamilton: setting up a house, introducing the new arrivals to NZ culture, assisting them with doctor's registrations, school enrolments, finding their way around their new community etc. You can find more information on our website: <https://www.redcross.org.nz/what-we-do/in-new-zealand/refugee-programmes/volunteer-help-former-refugees/>. If you are interested and available to support a refugee family for at least 3 months (up to six), please contact Linda via email linda.weijers@redcross.org.nz or phone 07 850 2191

VARSITY TAIOHI JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATION/WEIGH-IN

Ages 5 and under 13 on Sunday 24 February from 10am – 12pm at The Don Clubrooms (Gate 3B by the Silverdale Road tennis courts). New players require a copy of a birth certificate or passport. Subs \$25. Please contact Billy Cribb on 027 858 3111 or email bill@clb.co.nz or Jimmy Heta on 021 285 4669 or email jimmy.heta@xtra.co.nz.

TE RAPA JUNIOR RUGBY 2019 WEIGH-IN

Te Rapa Junior Rugby are holding two weigh-ins for anyone 3 years old to year 8 that are wanting to play rugby this year for Te Rapa. 3-7 year olds play rippa and over 7 play tackle.

#1st weigh-in is Friday 1 March 2019 5.00-7.00 pm at Te Rapa Rugby Clubrooms on Vickery Street, Hamilton.

#2nd weigh-in is Sunday 3 March 9.00-11.00 am at Te Rapa Rugby Clubrooms on Victory Street, Hamilton.

If you cannot make one of these two dates please contact Jason Bryant on 027 593 8967 to organise another time to weigh-in. New players please bring a copy of your birth certificate or passport and a current photo, returning players please bring an updated photo. Eftpos will be available to pay for subs.

FRANKTON JUNIOR RUGBY WEIGH IN 2019

28 February from 5.30–7.00 pm and 2 March from 11.00 am – 1.00 pm @ Frankton Clubrooms on Rifle Range Road. We want [GIRLS and BOYS](#) to join our family club so bring a copy of your birth certificate or passport with you. All new players please register at sporty.co.nz/franktonrugbysports – click on the Junior tab. Any questions email franktonjuniorrugby@gmail.com or phone Haley on 0210 590 036.

SUBURBS COMMUNITY SPORTS CLUB 2019 JUNIOR RUGBY WEIGH-IN

Sunday 3 March from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm at Suburbs Community Sports Club, Flagstaff Park, Commodore Ave, Hamilton. Ages 4-12 years, boys and girls all welcome. All new players are required to bring a birth certificate or passport. For further details go to www.hamiltonsuburbs.co.nz or contact Brendon Stone on 027 484 6013.

