

26 June 2019 Term 2 Week 9

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

There are a number of events taking place over this week and next so it is important that whanau keep updated.

Curate Church. This Friday 28 June, your child will be given a clothing pack kindly donated by Curate Church. The pack consists of Stony Creek warm wear. The church are also holding a free sausage sizzle for students and staff.

Grandparents Day.

This is taking place next Wed 3 July. The day will kick off at 10.45am and conclude at 1.30pm. Grandparents should have received their invitations but if not, please inform your child's teacher.

House Captains. The next two weeks will see our house captains involved with leadership activities with the Principal and other staff. This is an exciting opportunity for house captains to really harness their potential for improved success in their roles.

They will have a lunch date with the Principal as well as a trip to Oropi School on the last day of Term 2.

Reports. These will be given out on the last day of school, Friday 5 July. They will talk directly about literacy and numeracy as well as an overall general comment on your child's progress.

Drinks. A reminder that we have a ban on sweet drinks at Merivale School. Some drinks such as flavoured milk and juices are being brought to school lately. Please help to support the kaupapa of our school by ensuring these remain at home.

Finally, it is with heavy, but proud heart that we announce the departure of Matua Murray from Merivale School in Term 3. Matua Murray has won a Deputy Principal's position at Ngaruawahia Primary School in the Waikato. He has been at Merivale since 2016 and has been a huge part of our senior school during that time. We wish Murray all the very best and thank him for the wonderful mahi he has done here. The process to employ a new teacher for Room 9 is currently underway with some prospective candidates already expressing interest. We will keep whanau updated.

**I te wa e ora ana, ka huri tonu te mātauranga.
As in life, education is forever changing**

Nga Mihi
Matua Tom

SPORTS NEWS:

Basketball:

Friday 28 June 2019

**Merivale Carvers vs Bellevue
Court 2 4pm QEYC**

Tuesday 2 July 2019

**Merivale Flyers vs SR Pistons
Memorial Hall 5.30pm**

Netball:

Saturday 29 June 2019

**Year 3 - 4 Merivale Magic vs Arataki
Court 13 10.15am**

**Year 5 – 6 Merivale Marvel's vs Papamoa
Court 9 1.30pm – new time**

PLEASE NOTE SENIOR NETBALL IS NOW 1.30PM

REMINDER : Have you paid your sports fees – please get these up to date as they must be paid for your child to continue in the team - the fees can be paid in instalments to the office.

UNIFORM HOODIES & JACKETS

Many of you have ordered hoodies & jackets in the next uniform order that should be arriving in a week or so....

Reminder that these must be paid in full before they can be collected.

We will let you know as soon as the order arrives.

There will also be the new school beanie in the order & we will be selling these for \$18.

Email Addresses –

do you have an email address?

If so could you please let school know, we would like to start a database of parent/caregiver email addresses as this would be a great way to send out notices, newsletters & also another form of contact for you..

**Email us or send it in with your child
admin@merivale.school.nz**

SORE THROATS –

There has been a record number of children away with nasty colds & viruses this term. There has also been a number of children testing positive for strep throat. It is important if your children have sore throats that you get them swabbed.

In Term 3 we will have a new Rheumatic fever nurse coming into school every week so please talk to your children about telling her if they have a sore throat, she will take a swab & get medicine to you if the test is positive. There are also a number of pharmacies that are now doing free throat swabbing, testing & giving out medicine, this includes the 3 chemists in Greerton.

Free meals in Tauranga

Monday

- **Street Kai: Milo night at 5.30pm**
Held at main Willow Street bus stop
- **Huria Marae – He Rourou aroha**
Three Mondays a month from 9am-4pm, Huria marae provides kai (food), a shower and use of the laundry for those in need. Free transportation to Huria marae outside city centre bus stop, Willow Street 11.45am-12.15pm.
Address: 4 Te Kaponga Street, Judea
Phone 07 578 7838 or reception@huriatrust.co.nz for schedule of dates

Tuesday

- **St Peters Church Drop in lunch 11.30-12noon**
130 Spring Street Tauranga
- **Arataki Community Centre: Community meal 6.30pm – 7.30pm.**
Zambuk Way (off Grenada Street), Mount Maunganui

Wednesday

- **StreetReach at Elim Church Café at 7pm**
59 Koromiko Street, Judea
- **Holy Trinity Church Hall**
Cnr 4th Ave and Devonport Rd at lunchtime

Friday

- **Kai Aroha at 6.00pm**
Greerton Hall

Saturday

- **Under the Stars at 6pm**
Held at 29 Cliff Road

Sunday

- **Street Kai: Sikh dinner at 6pm**
Held at main Willow Street bus stop
- **Memorial Park at 8am Breakfast Barbeque**

24 October 2019
Term 4 Week 2

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

Apologies that the newsletter is a day late. I am away for two days for school business and had not left instructions for it to be issued. Arohamaï koutou.

He Paku Whakangahau. Last Friday, this event took place at the QE II. It was an awesome day! Our group performed marvellously and our staff were brilliant on the organising front. Congratulations Tutarawananga/Merivale Community for an outstanding effort getting behind this event! Tauke!

Rotary Trip. A fantastic day was had by the senior school on their outing to the Greerton Fire Station and to Matakana Island on Tuesday. This day is kindly organised and paid for by Rotary. We thank Brian Hodge for his organisation with this and to Whaea Jane, Whaea Stevie, Matua Jack, Matua Mitch and parents who supervised the day. On another note, we would like to pass on our condolences to the family of Campbell Des Forges. Along with his wife Margaret, Campbell was a staunch Rotary man and advocate of Merivale School. He was also instrumental in ensuring this trip went ahead annually. Moemoe ra e matua.

Carpark and Driveway. The new system seems to be working well in the afternoons for collection of children. We are getting professionals in to mark lines so that we won't need to use cones in future. This should be done by next week. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Athletics. Practice of disciplines for this event is taking place at present. We encourage students to get involved for their respective junior and senior days. More information will be passed on closer to each day.

Kei te ahu whakamua te mahi - Practice makes progress

Nga Mihi
Matua Tom

ESOL Talanoa

Kia ora, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Fakaalofa atu, Salam-alaikum, Greetings.



Our Pasifika Pride group will be performing at 10.55am on Wednesday 30th October at Sydenham Botanic Park in the Pasifika Festival in the Bay. Students will be changing at school and we will leave on the bus at 10am sharp. It would pay to arrive early at the venue as parking will only be available in surrounding streets and not directly out the front which is reserved as a drop off point for buses etc. Students have been working hard towards this event and your support is greatly appreciated. Keep those permission slips rolling in!
Nga mihi Whaea Sandra



LABOUR DAY – MONDAY 28 OCTOBER
Have a fun & safe long weekend everyone

HEADLICE –

Another reminder that headlice continue to be a problem in the school & across the city. There are times, like now where they appear to be worse than normal. PLEASE check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat when necessary.

We have many parents who are working hard to keep on top of the problem but that is difficult when there are other children who are left untreated. FREE PRODUCT & COMBS are available from the school office.

SUNHATS – we have new stock of Merivale School sunhats for sale in the office - \$18