## 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. Arohamai 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