

24 March 2021 Term 1 Week 8

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

Week 8 already and a lot going on at school which is keeping us all very busy.

Alert Level 1. Just a reminder that although there are no restrictions, the following still needs to be in place:

- students and staff to stay at home if unwell
- Contact tracing and QR codes are available at the office
- Check in with each other and monitor hauora
- practice safe hygiene

Emergency Procedures. We again practiced an evacuation last week to great success. This will again take place in two weeks.

Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences. These take place this **Friday 26 March** from 8.30am to 3pm and bookings are to be made online or through school. All students attending conferences must be accompanied and leave after the conference with their parent/caregiver. They must also wear correct school uniform to conferences. We also remind whānau that school is not open for instruction so alternative arrangements must be made for your child's care that day. Any concerns, please contact the office.

Top Schools. Well done to our students and Matua Owen for a very entertaining

afternoon/evening last Thursday at Gate Pa School. Thank you to all our parents and Whānau who came to cheer our team on. As we went more to experience and get a feel for the event this year we look forward to being fiercely competitive now that we know what to expect.

Caretaker Retirement. It is with admiration and respect, tinged with sadness, that we announce Matua Graham Maslin has formally resigned as caretaker after more than a decade's service to Merivale School. The Merivale School BOT would like to thank Graham for his work over the years and wish him and his wife Karen all the best for the future.

Nga Mihi e hoa.

Matua Graham's last day will be next **Wednesday 31 March**. Matua Glyn Williams will officially take over the role after this date.

Student Collection. Just a reminder to whānau that if you are collecting students before 2.50pm, the official end of the day, that you must sign out at the office. As the school is accountable for where children are during hours of operation, this is a legal requirement of the MOE. Please do not be offended if you are directed to do so.

Kia Ora, Kia Atawhai, Kia Mataara
Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Vigilant -
#wegotthiswhanau

Ngā Mihi
Matua Tom



Parent-teacher interviews will be held at the following times:

- 8:30am – 2.50pm Friday 26th March 2021

To book your interviews, go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code in your browser, and enter the event code **yaz73** Then follow these three simple steps:



First enter your name, your student's name, and your email address.

If you need to book for more than one student, change the "Book for x students" setting, and enter the other student's name.



On the next page, pick the teachers you want to meet.

First select the subject, then choose from the list of teachers.



Then you'll see a timetable showing when your chosen teachers are available. Simply click on the times that suit you.

When you have finished, your interview timetable will be emailed to you. And you can return to the site and enter the event code **yaz73** again to change or cancel your interviews.

If you don't have internet access, please call Jan Honey at the school office

(**phone 0800 825392**). She will be able to make a booking for you.

Your child's teacher and room number are :

REMINDER – this is a non-school day, however your child must attend the interview with you.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

- This Friday 26 March

See instructions below for making your appointment, please talk to the school office if you would like help with this...0800 825392



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When: **Thursday 1st of April 2021**

Where: Merivale School Staffroom

Time: 2pm - 2.45pm

Come and hear about opportunities for you to be involved with your child's learning.