

Thursday 28th February 2019

Term 1 , Week 4

Paid Union Meeting

The NZEI have initiated another round of paid union meetings for staff covered by the Primary Collective Agreement. We can confirm that on **Tuesday 19th March** unionised staff will be offsite attending a meeting from 1pm. The school will remain open for supervision but closed for instruction (while there is sufficient staff to remain open we are unable to run normal in-class lessons). All students will spend the afternoon block in the Hall/Field participating in music and PE activities.

You may collect your child early on this day should you wish, however we ask that you do so at 12.30pm as the students will be having an earlier lunch break to accommodate the change in the afternoon programme. School will close at 3pm as per normal and students will not be able to leave without a parent/guardian signing them out prior to this time. After School Care will run as per normal from 3pm.

Come and join us for breakfast!


Are you still a bit hungry when you get to school? Did you rush out without eating or do you just need a second breakfast? Come and join us for breakfast from 8.15 – 8.45. Everyone is welcome! Parents/Caregivers etc please see Trudi Storm in Room 15 if you would like to volunteer for a Wednesday or Thursday morning at Breakfast Club.



Lego club: The seniors and the juniors have been enjoying the Lego Club being held in the hall every Tuesday .

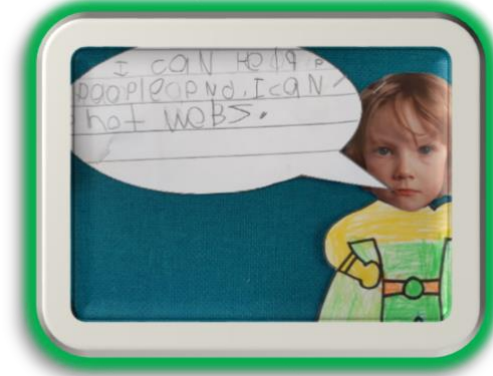


WEEK AHEAD AT A GLANCE

25 th February	26 th February	27 th February	28 th February	1 st March
Assembly House Leaders	Badminton Years 3-6			

Room 9 Super Heroes

Room 9 has been studying superheroes, and some of the things they do that we can do also! We made our super-selves, and wrote what we can do.



Let's Beat Plastic Pollution



If you can't REUSE it, then REFUSE it!
Refuse plastic bags – recycle old plastic bags or use reusable material bags. You could even make your own from an old T-shirt!
Refuse unwanted junk mail – put a 'Please no junk mail' sticker on your letterbox. Save the trees!
Refuse the straw – Drink straight from the cup or take a reusable straw with you. Plastic ones never breakdown!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

T20 Charity Cricket Blast

Barfoot & Thompson Young Guns vs Blue Light All Stars Team

Sunday 24th March, 2019, Birkenhead Cricket Club (48 Mahara Ave, Birkenhead, Auckland)

- BLUE LIGHT ALL STARS TEAM (FEATURING)**
- Chris Harris
 - James Marshall
 - Hamish Marshall
 - Dion Nash
 - Robbie Hart
 - Sam Hurley
 - Dai Henwood
 - Shane Cortese

Gates Open: 11am | Game Commences: 12pm | COST: \$5.00 per person

Tickets available through Eventfinda or at the gate on the day.



Food Trucks on site all day | Barfoot & Thompson FREE Kids Zone

Enquiries to: wendy@bluelight.co.nz



18 February 2019

Stephanie Thompson
 Principal
 Maori House Primary School
 Tuakau Road
 Beach Haven
 Auckland 0626

Dear Stephanie

RE: Public Meeting on the Future of Education in New Zealand

As a school Principal in our community, I am making you and your staff a Public Meeting. I'm meeting with you, Mrs Jenny Goodwin, Board of Trustees members, and any interested parties, are very welcome to attend in situ.

At this meeting, Nikki Ryan will provide a brief overview of some of the key recommendations from the Tomorrow's Schools Review. A report from the Government's independent Taskforce that was released late in 2018.

Here are the details for the meeting:

Date: Thursday 14 March 2019 - 7pm
 Venue: Birkenhead Primary School Hall
 RSVP to: daniel.bidois@parliament.nz

We want to hear from you - as parents, teachers and leaders in education - about your concerns and views regarding the future of our schools in the Pacific electorate.

The Tomorrow's Schools Review has the potential to impact every part of our education system. We believe it is crucial to give parents, students, teachers, principals, and Board of Trustees members the opportunity to have their voices heard. The review has undertaken significant consultation but it is clear from discussions with a number of you that all are not fully aware of the recommendations and its implications.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could subscribe the meeting in your school newsletter and your Facebook page, if you find it appropriate. My aim is to ensure that I am best representing the views of the community with respect to education.

I do hope you and your staff are able to attend. See very important public meeting.

Regards,

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 MP for Northcote

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