

Term 2 Week 8, Thursday 21st June, 2018
Tēnā koutou e te whānau, he mihi nui ki a koutou katoa

Principals Message

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Ka puta Matariki ka rere Whanui.

Matariki re-appears. Whanui starts its flight.

Matariki, is an important time in the Māori calendar as it signifies the Māori New Year. It is a time to enjoy being with whānau and friends and a time to remember those who came before and the legacy they have left behind, and also to learn more about whakapapa (genealogy). Many of our students have been learning about Matariki.



As mentioned in the last newsletter, on Wednesday 27th June school will finish early so that the teachers can attend a Union Meeting. There will be discussion around the changing nature of teaching, including the ever increasing workload for teachers as well as addressing the teacher shortage in Auckland. We acknowledge that picking up your children early is inconvenient and appreciate your support to our teachers. We ask that you contact the office to let us know if you are not able to collect your child at 1.00pm. Email, reception@freemansbay.school.nz



I have been in contact with the Whānau Wai teachers who are having a fantastic time over at Camp Bentzon. Whānau Puna have been rehearsing for their short musical about Matariki as a celebration of their learning this term. All parents are welcome to come along to their performance on Friday 29th June at 11.40am in the School Hall.

On Thursday Annette took a group of students to Coxs Bay Reserve to compete in the Ki-o-Rahi ICCS competition. The students had a fantastic day and came 8th overall. Congratulations to all those that competed.

This week Margaret met with a number of families to discuss the Walking School Bus. From Term 3 it will run from the top end of Nelson Street. We are looking to include more bus routes, particularly coming from Hobson Street.

Noho ora mai,

Bridget

Acting Principal

Schoolwide News

WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW STUDENTS!

Sree, Venisse, Aadhya, Arata, Saarasa, Mariya, Adrian, Leon, Rishi, Elizabeth

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 19 – Friday 22 June	Whānau Wai Camp
Friday 22 nd June	11.40am – 12.40pm Assembly
Wednesday 27 th June	8pm – 9.30pm Whānau Ata Hui
Wednesday 27th June	1PM School Closing 1pm due to Teachers Union Meeting
Thursday 28 th June	9am – 3pm ICCS Rugby League
Friday 29 th June	11.40am - Whanau Puna's Performance of Matariki

PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

MESSAGE FROM MIKE

Help our students to stay safe and use the crossings correctly! STAY WITHIN THE 2 WHITE LINES.

Many thanks, Mike

EID

Last weekend, many of our students and teachers celebrated the end of the fasting month, Ramadan. We gathered at Eden Park to come together for Eid-Al-Fitr. We learnt some songs in Te Reo Maori, watched a magician's show and learnt about the importance of being kind to one another. There were some awesome games to play, food to eat and toys to buy. We were all so excited to see each other there!

Eid Mubarak, Happy Eid to everyone!

COMING SOON!!

Ezlunch orders - Commencing Term 3

Great News! We have secured the services of Ezlunch as our school lunch provider commencing **Monday 23rd July**. Therefore, as of Term 3 we will no longer be using the YQ app.

A percentage of sales will go to school fundraising – easy for you and great for the school!

Ezlunch orders are made online through a myKindo account. You can set up one account for the whole family!

Help? Visit support.mykindo.co.nz or tel. 09-475 5287 8am-4pm Mon-Fri.

More to follow on how to get started



The Yummy Fruit Company

School Sticker Promotion



It's yummy sticker time again and we need your help. All you have to do is shop at your local New World, Pak 'n Save or participating Four Square stores and purchase Yummy apples. They can either be in bags with cut-out labels (One cut-out label is worth 10 apple stickers) or as individual apples with Yummy stickers. Yummy nectarines or other stone fruit stickers are also accepted.

Then you can either:

- Add stickers to your child's classroom sticker collection sheet
- Get a copy of a sticker collection sheet (from the office), place the Yummy stickers on them and then post in the Yummy box at the school office.

At the end of the promotion we will collect and collate all of the sheets and our stickers will be used to purchase sports gear from DG Sport. The more you collect, the more sports gear we get so get going and start collecting your Yummy labels and stickers now!

The promotion ends Friday 21 September

COMMUNITY NOTICES



NOTICE FROM AUCKLAND TRANSPORT

Sunday 8 July, 2018 – Bus services in Auckland Central Suburbs are changing. Please view your new timetables at <https://at.govt.nz/timetables>

Year 6 Students' Invitation

OPEN MORNING:
Tuesday 7 August - Visitors meet in the Kowhai Intermediate School hall at 9:30 am.

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING:
Wednesday 8 August 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the school hall

If you would like a meeting with the Principal, Associate Principal or Deputy Principal please phone 846 7534 or email:
Louise Broad - principal@kowhai.school.nz
Barbara Cloonan - ap@kowhai.school.nz
Tom Mackintosh - dp@kowhai.school.nz

Out of Zone enrolments close on Wednesday 5 September 2018

KOWHAI INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
2019 ENROLMENT INFORMATION

Gymnastic Classes



- Gymnastics for children aged 2 - 15
- School holiday programmes
- Birthday Parties
- Free-Play, Hobsonville

For enquiries or to register: www.gymkids.co.nz

Contact us on 09 951 0355 or 09 416 0003 | Email: admin@gymkids.co.nz

Ponsonby | Pt Chevalier | Hobsonville | Te Atatu Peninsula

City Explorers

FREE HOLIDAY FUN

Splice

10.30 AM-12.30 PM
ON MONDAYS
9 AND 16 JULY 2018

FOR CITY KIDS
AN AUCKLAND CITY PARK ADVENTURE

For more information and to register contact:
JILLK@SPICE.ORG.NZ



Ponsonby Intermediate School

Term 2

Tuesday 15th May - Open Morning

9:15am – 12:00pm for Year 6 students and parents/ caregivers. Students will be invited to come to Ponsonby Intermediate School at 9:15am from their school with their parents/ caregivers. This is a chance to see the school in action.

Tuesday 12th June - Open Morning

Wednesday 13th June - Open Morning

Term 3

Tuesday 31st July - Open Morning

Wednesday 15th August - Open Evening

The school will be open for viewing with programmes operating from 6:00pm – 7:00pm. A meeting with parents and teachers will take place in the hall at 6:45pm to answer any queries and to take enrolments.

Tuesday 21st August - Final Open Morning

For more information: www.ponsonbyintermediate.school.nz