

Term 3, Week 6, Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2018 Tēnā koutou e te whānau, he mihi nui ki a koutou katoa

# Principals Message

On Wednesday night the Resene Total Colour Awards were held at the Viaduct events Centre. This competition is a celebration of bold, innovative and ambitious colour use in our city environments. Freemans Bay School's design by RTA Studio Ltd took out the supreme award, "Resene Total Colour Master Nightingale Award" plus the "Primary Education Award."



The judges citation noted:

Freemans Bay School by RTA Studio Ltd

"Embracing the site, the design, the community and its colour palette, this project demonstrates a commanding mastery of colour. Strong like a meeting house, the colour is both anchoring and welcoming and used with such care. Appealing to young and old, the palette brings this school into the central heart of the community."

The design process at Freemans Bay School, involved us thinking about what sort of spaces our learners today will be working and studying in and joining the dots between education space, curriculum design and developing attributes needed for their future world. The Innovative Learning Environment (ILE) design of our new buildings promotes flexibility, collaboration, creativity, choice and personalised learning.

The OECD <u>Handbook on Innovative Learning Environments</u> pulls together recent research on ILEs. You can also click <u>here</u> for some of the latest research on ILEs.

Sir Ken Robinson, in his 2010 Ted Talk," <u>Bring on the Learning Revolution</u>" promotes that for students to meet their creative potential in our schools we must shift from standardised schools to schools that personalise learning and create conditions where learners can discover their passions and flourish.

Freemans Bay School's vision of "Engage, Enrich, Empower" underpins our plan to align school design and teaching practice ensuring that students will have the attributes to be successful and happy in their future lives. We are delighted that the design of Freemans Bay School is recognised as a creative response to meeting the key drivers of our future focused curriculum.

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30 we invite all parents who are interested in joining the Parent Group to a planning meeting. At the meeting we will nominate a parent to take over the leadership of this group. It would be fantastic if you could come along and help brainstorm some ideas so that we can make it just as successful as the Art night was.

The Auckland Council states that dogs are prohibited from school grounds. We respectfully ask that you do not bring dogs onto the school grounds as this can be frightening for some of our students.

# Sandy MEd (1st Class Hons), Advanced Dip Tching, Dip Tching

### STUDENT LEARNING CONFERENCES

Wednesday  $19^{th}$  September from 8.00am – 8.30am or from 3.30pm – 6.00pm If you would like information about what a Student Learning Conference is, please <u>click here</u>.

### WHAT DOES A STUDENT LEARNING CONFERENCE LOOK LIKE?

- A conversation between the students and their parents/caregivers about learning
- Multiple families are present in the room at the same time
- The teacher is present but the student is doing the talking about their learning
- The focus of the student learning conference is on literacy and numeracy goals
- You can request a separate additional parent teacher interview if you wish to discuss anything further
- Some students will talk to you about other work they have been doing

### STUDENT LEARNING CONFERENCE BOOKING SYSTEM

Please book your Student Learning Conference online. It is easy and convenient. All you need is access to the internet. If you do not have access at home or work, you are welcome to come to our library or use the class computers before or after school.

#### FOR ENGLISH PATHWAY

Go to: <u>https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/</u> Enter our event code: dqkmv Follow the three easy steps to make your booking.

#### FOR WHĀNAU ATA

If you have 2 or more children in Whānau Ata, please select a time on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> using the event code above. If you have 1 chid in Whānau Ata, please select a time on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>.

Go to: <u>https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/</u> Enter our event code: 6sw2r

Follow the three easy steps to make your booking.

# YOUR SUPPORT MEANS A LOT TO US

# The Yummy Fruit Company School Sticker Promotion

**KEEP THE STICKERS COMING!!!** 

The promotion ends Friday 21 September



### WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW STUDENTS

Limeng, Xintong, Rand

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Friday 31 August	Last day for calendar art
Monday 3 – Friday 7 September	Tongan Language week
Tuesday 4 September	PHOTOLIFE class / individual photo day
Friday 7 September, 11.40am	Assembly
Monday 10 – Friday 14 September	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori
Monday 17 September, 2.30pm	Parent Group Meeting in the Staffroom

### PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

#### PHOTOLIFE

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September Photolife will be coming to the school to take class photos and individual photos of the children.

A couple of weeks after PhotoDay you will receive a notice that will contain a shootkey and instructions on how to order the photographs.

If you would like your children to be photographed together, there is a separate form which can be collected at the office.

# **Library News**

### MONDAY 10 SEPTEMBER to FRIDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2018 8.30am – 9am, lunchtimes and 3.00 to 3.30pm



There are only 9 days until our BOOK FAIR begins - Come see what we have!

Are you doing extra jobs a home to earn extra pocket money to spend at our BOOK FAIR?

Tell everyone you know about our Book Fair. Invite them to visit our Library and buy books from our sale. We invite parents, caregivers and family members to visit our Book Fair. Come see what is available for your child/ren learning and reading pleasure.

The more books we sell the bigger our commission. This will be spent on new books for our Library.

#### **BOOK BAGS FOR ALL. WE NEED YOUR HELP**



There are no more plastic bags available at school because we support **Refuse**, **Reduce**, **Reuse**, **Recycle** 

Students visit our library once a week with their class. When issuing books all students must have a BOOK BAG. We do not like refusing to issue books to our students. We encourage them to explore our amazing Library Collection of picture

books, Māori books, dual language books, graphic novels, chapter books easy readers and books that teach us things and take us on adventures. Reading improves vocabulary and writing skills and increases comprehension.

Parents, caregivers and all family members we need your help in caring for our school library books and our environment.





