# Malfroy School

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Principal's Newsletter Term 1 Week 5

05 March 2020

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo, Talofa Lava, Bula Vanaka, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi atu, Namaste, Talofa Ni and Warm Pasifika Greetings!

#### An update about CODIV-19 for Schools and Early Learning Services

Advice received from the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health in responding to the current situation is to "be on the Alert but not to be Alarmed". Schools and early learning services are encouraged to practice good hygiene routines with students. These include the following:

- Washing hands with soap and water before and after eating as well as after attending the toilet.
- Wash your hands often and thoroughly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, making sure you dry them thoroughly.
- Covering coughs and sneezes with clean tissues or with an elbow.
- Putting used tissues in the bin.
- Encouraging staff and students to stay home if they are unwell.

## Ambassadors have their say

What do you think of the Healthy School Lunches? What do you hope to achieve with your learning goals this year?

**Amelia** - I really like the school lunches because they are tasty. I want to improve my maths, particularly division.

Iris - The healthy school lunches are free, which I think is a great idea, because we will be able to save money for other things. I will be working on my spelling and writing so that I can build up my vocabulary to add more interest in my stories.

**Tawhiri** - The lunches are nice to eat. They do fill me up. I want to improve the quality of my work by being more focussed on the tasks at hand.

**Kahurangi** - The choices on the weekly menu are always healthy. My favourite food at the moment is butter chicken on rice. I will be focussed on improving my spelling and basic facts knowledge.

#### **Staffing Update**

We would like to congratulate Room 3 class teacher Anna Schlotjes and her partner who are expecting their first child later this year. Anna is currently on leave until further notice. We will be advertising for a long-term reliever. In the meantime we are fortunate to have the services of two of our current relievers, both experienced teachers, Angela Betterton-Quaife and Morag Owen.

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## Malfroy School App



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## **Out and About at Malfroy School**



Montessori Bridging Ceremony held at RGHS last Friday



Room 1 children enjoying their lunch on Monday



Room 3 playing 'Duck, Duck' Goose' with Mrs Owen

#### WHANAU BREAKFAST IS ON TOMORROW

We would like to invite parents, caregivers and whanau to our first Whanau Breakfast for 2020. Due to the School Hall building works, the breakfast starts at the new time of 7.45am and finishes at 8.45am.

The menu consists of toast with spreads, breakfast muffins, sausage sizzle, cup of tea and coffee. The forecast is for fine weather and so we will have tables and chairs set up outside behind the staffroom



Whanau Breakfast Term 4, 2019



Todd McLay enjoyed his time with students

Nga mihi!

Kia ora,

My name is Saveth Pon and it is my pleasure to teach in Room 11 this year. I have been teaching for six years, three of which have been in Rotorua. My parents are originally from Cambodia and came over as refugees during the civil war. I was born in a refugee camp on the border of Thailand and Cambodia. I've lived in New Zealand for the past thirty years, twenty eight of which have been in the Hamilton area. I have three other siblings who are all girls.



I have been married for 11 years and have four children; Ezra is 9, Isaac 5, Aslan 3 and Odelia is 4 months old. My wife is a secondary trained music and English teacher who is currently a stay at home mum.

In my spare time I like to spend it with my family, usually visiting new places and taking in the sites. I also like to play all kinds of sports which include tennis, touch, rugby and soccer.

We are living in a digital world and I believe that technology is a great tool for communication, collaboration and partnership beyond the classroom. Technology can be used to engage students, reinforcing teachers' instructions and students' learning. Technology is always evolving, so I, as a teacher, must not only teach students how to use current technology but, more importantly, how to solve problems and think critically so that they can adapt to the changing world.

I believe that children do not always care what I as a teacher know until they know how much I care. With this in mind, I work hard on positive relationships with all my students, focusing on understanding and openness. I exercise great classroom management and believe that being consistent is very important. I try to be fun, firm and fair in my approach by setting clear boundaries and expectations. I look forward to working alongside and part of the Malfroy learning community.

# Room 14 Junior Montessori

We are working hard on our Maths, Geography, Science, Grammar, Writing, and Geometry.

Welcome to Malfroy School and Room 14: Emily, Mia and Eden.







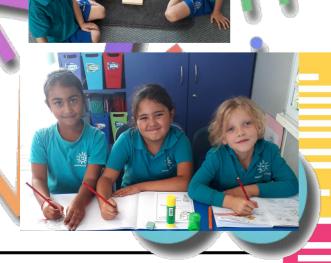














## **NOTICES / REMINDERS**

#### **New Students**

Welcome to the following student and their family-

Maia - Room 14 Dyvae - Room 8 Braxton - Room 2 Naera - Room 1



# Library Corner



#### **Book Club**

Book Club issue 1 for 2020 is here. Order online through scholastic.co.nz/LOOP or send the filled in form and payment back to the school. Orders close on March 20th, so you have plenty of time to choice.



# Flippaball Results

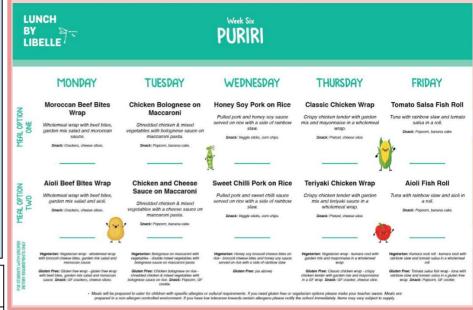
Teams	Win/Loss	POD
Dolphins	Win	
Sharks	Win	

## **Touch Rugby Results**

Teams	Win/Loss	POD	
Speedsters	Draw	Charlotte W	
Stingrays	Loss	Jason H	
Juniors	Cancelled		
Middles	Janosnoa		

#### **Lunches in School**

Check the weekly lunch menu with your child/ren. If they know what they would like before school, this would make it easy for the class teacher each morning. We will post a new menu on our school app each week, and in the newsletter.



PASIFIKA 2020 is happening on:

Saturday 28th March 2020 Rotorua Primary School from 10:00am to 4:00pm



Our Annual Event celebrates the beauty of our pacific cultures through food, performances and arts and crafts. Come along and celebrate with us and our pasifika communities based here in Rotorua



# KAHUKURAJUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATION DAY

Kahukura JAB are holding their registration days for all current and new players who wish to play rugby this coming 2020 season at the Clubrooms on Pukuatua Street on the following dates and times:

Saturday 7th March 9.00 am to 12 noon Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 9.00 am to 12 noon

Registration fees are \$40.00 per player \$35.00 per subsequent family member

If you require any further information please contact Julian Thompson 021 810 005

FREE MOUTHGUARD FOR PLAYERS THAT ATTEND MUSTER!!!

# Know of any 4 to 14-year-old children interested in playing football this year?



Otonga Road Football Club is holding a fun Open Day and Muster on **Sunday 8 March** at Otonga Primary School, outside Room 22. EVERYBODY WELCOME! You don't have to be attending Otonga Primary School to play for ORFC. There will be fun activities for the younger players - grade 5 (4 year olds turning 5 this year) through to grade 8 (7 year olds turning 8 this year). There will also be a muster and games for older players - grade 9 (8 year olds turning 9 this year) through to grade 12 (11 year olds turning 12 this year).

**FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE** and the opportunity to buy shorts and socks. Prices available there.

It would be great if children were available for their age grade games and muster, but please feel free to come and go as you please!

Registration for the 2020 season closes on 29 March. You can register at the Open Day with Clive in Room 22 or online at <a href="https://www.sporty.co.nz/otongafootball\_">www.sporty.co.nz/otongafootball\_</a> 'Last Minute' registration fees apply from 23 March (\$10 extra).

Can't make the Open Day? NO WORRIES! You can register a player for the 2020 season online at <a href="https://www.sporty.co.nz/otongafootball">www.sporty.co.nz/otongafootball</a>

If you have any questions please email OtongaRoadFC@gmail.com or call Clive on 021 229 9191

SEE YOU THERE!