



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

WHANAU BREAKFAST

Thanks to the students, parents and whanau who were able to make it to last Friday's whanau breakfast. We hope you enjoyed the change in our breakfast menu. Further thanks to staff: Jennie McLaren for shopping and set up; Kevin Gray (Caretaker) for having tables, chairs and BBQ at the ready; teachers and support staff for food preparation, cooking and clean-up; to the dads who helped staff pack up. "Many hands make light work".



Board of Trustees Vacancies

The School Board of Trustees is seeking to fill two vacancies that have come up recently for parent representatives. If you have any interest in finding out more about the role, or putting your name forward, please contact the board chair Margaret Metcalfe on 0274235560. There is plenty of training and support for new trustees. The main requirement is that you have a strong desire to contribute to student achievement at Malfroy School and at least 4 or 6 hours/month to attend meetings and carry out other tasks. The Board hopes to appoint two trustees at the next meeting 23rd March.

A big thank you to Makeo Ropitini and Ashleigh Mountney for their contributions during their tenure on the board.

Malfroy School Community Consultation Survey 2019 Feedback

Thank you to the 73 parents and caregivers who managed to find the time to complete this survey in Term 4 of last year. Here is the summary.

As a parent I feel welcome with the school community

100% agree. Malfroy is meeting community needs through cultural inclusiveness. Our community sees us as supportive, caring and friendly. Approachable.

Our school has a good reputation in the community.

92% agree that Malfroy School has a good reputation.

I feel my culture and others are valued and recognised in the school community.

96% strongly agree.

In Maori, how can we best cater for the learning and other needs of your tamariki?

More Te Reo in assemblies, Te Reo games in classrooms, use Te Reo in classrooms and library, reciting Pepea, new Waiata.

My child/children feel happy at school.

97% agree. Positive school environment. Proactive (staff and students) in dealing with bullying incidents.

The school provides a safe, secure environment for my child/children.

98% agree. Being consistent with ensuring that issues are dealt with.

The school provides effective methods of communication.

95% agree. 400 people use School App. School newsletter on both School App and Web page.

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Malfroy School App

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Principal is approachable and adaptable to the needs of the community.

98% agree. Visible to our community, available to meet when parents need to talk, connect with students.

School staff members are welcoming, caring and approachable.

98% agree. Everything we do is seen and heard, positive response from the community, teachers offer assistance whenever they can, collective responsibility to help.

I receive sufficient information and communication from the Board of Trustees.

79% agree. School App allows parents to receive communication from the board. Suggest a “meet the board” video clip.

The school sets high expectations of learning for its students.

87% agree. Visible learning has raised learning expectations.

The school provides effective methods of communication/feedback when reporting to the parents on student progress and achievements.

95% agree. Being able to unpack the mid-year report with parents is great. Puts them in the picture and helps them to understand.

What type of reporting on the progress and achievement do you prefer?

51% - written reports

22% - Informal discussions/catch-ups

12% - 3 way interviews, 12% - Seesaw

Written report is best received by parents. Informal catch up with parents as needed (is used and appreciated).

The school sets high expectations of behaviour for its students.

90% agree. Suggest information is provided to parents about Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L), and the Malfroy School 8 Rules.

I am happy with the learning opportunities, experiences and activities my child/children receive from school.

95% agree and are happy with the learning programmes offered at school.

The school provides appropriate curriculum resources to support my child's learning and development.

94% agree. Reading Together and Home-School Numeracy programmes are offered but only attract small numbers.

All students should get homework.

48% agree, 38% neutral. Mixed views on homework. Relevant to programme. Homework is own work.

The homework my child/children currently receive is purposeful to their learning needs.

80% agree.

I have enough information to help my child at home with his/her learning.

79% agree.

Learning to use digital tools appropriately, are important for future focussed skills learning.

93% agree. Parents have indicated they would like children to use digital tools appropriately. They also want children to use both digital and traditional learning tools.

What procedures/tools around the safe and responsible use of the internet and digital technologies do you have at home?

47% - age appropriate content filters on devices.

32% - device policy at home.

7% - modem internet filtering.

Have you heard about the way we use Visible Learning?

36% yes, 64% no.

Our school vision is “to promote an inclusive learning environment building confident, self-directed lifelong learners and responsible citizens”. Are we achieving this with your child?

81% yes, 18% maybe.

Do you see a need to review our vision?

78% no, 18% maybe. Still current. Keywords are still very relevant.

Reminders

Top Town Competition - at Rotorua Intermediate starting at 5.00pm. Malfroy has two teams registered.

Whanau Hui - in the School staffroom for all parents and caregivers. Agenda is posted on the School App. These get-togethers are held once a term.

Junior Trip to Apumoana Marae - tomorrow morning, returning at 12.30pm.

Nga mihi

Room 6's trip to Owhata Marae

We went to Owhata Marae with the rest of the Middle Team to learn some more about Hinemoa and Tutanekai and other local Te Arawa stories.



We were shown the waharoa at the start of our hikoi.



We had morning tea after our powhiri.



We did some sketching of Hinemoa's rock.



We learnt that Tutanekai is buried on Mokoia Island.



We sketched the tukutuku panels in the whareniui.



We saw Hinemoa's rock that she sat on to listen to Tutanekai play his kōauau.

NOTICES

Hockey Notice

Reminder - All students who would like to play hockey this season, can you please return your registration form, **along with sports fee**, to the school office by **Tuesday 17th March**.

New Students

Welcome to the following student and their family

Marlyn - Room 2

WHANAU HUI

Kia Ora te whanau

We will be having our first Whanau Hui for this year this Thursday in the Staffroom starting at 4.45pm. Come along and have your say.

What's on the Agenda:

Kapahaka
Mana Pasifika
Class numbers
Camp notices/Malfroy App/Athletics
Classroom expectations-What do you want to see/hear in the rumaki classes?
Kaupapa o te wahanga tuarua (Ngongotaha). What kaupapa would you like to see us teach your tamariki?
Open floor

AUTUMN FUNDRAISER with SPRING BULBS

Help us grow by beautifying your garden

Here is a great opportunity to purchase spring flowering bulbs and seeds to show your support. Bulbs are supplied by GardenPost, which source bulbs from New Zealand growers.

Some of the bulbs available for purchase are:



10 Daffodils
Mixed -
\$10.00



10 Daffodils
King Alfred -
\$11.50



7 Daffodils
White Lion -
\$9.50



10 Tulips
Mixed -
\$10.50



10 Fragrance
single/double
Freesias Mixed -
\$6.00



10 Dutch
Iris \$6.80



10 Ranunculus
Mixed \$4.80



Sweet Pea -
Early Multiflora
\$4.40 for 20
seeds

To order, please return the order form that was send home with your child along with payment to the school office not later than **Friday 27th March**.

Delivery will be by: last week of Term 1.

Online payments are available - Online Bank details are ASB 12-3155-0228433-01 or pay at the office with cash or Eft-pos.

Touch Rugby Results

Teams	Win/Loss	POD
Speedsters	Win	Dani
Stingrays	Loss	Sade
Masters	Loss	Lavinia
Jets		

Flippaball Results

Teams	Win/Loss	POD
Dolphins	Loss	
Sharks	Loss	Riley



Welcome back to School Monti

Monti was a 'student' in our Montessori class who went on holiday. He has returned to Malfroy School and is now a 'library assistant'. He has been a great hit with all the students who visit him and I think he is enjoying all the attention.



PASIFIKA 2020

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.

Senior School Camp

This year our senior students are lucky enough to go on camp at **MiCamp** in Whakamaru. The cost per students is only a 1/3 of the actual cost, the other 2/3 is being paid by the school.

Dates: Group 1 - Monday 30th March
Group 2 - Wednesday 1st April

I would like to thank the Malfroy School Senior Team and Board of Trustees for subsidising a major part of camp cost.

I would also like to thank those parents who have given a koha towards other students' camp fees.

