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Principal's Newsletter Term 2 Week 12

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

Teaching is about changing lives...

I asked the teaching staff to consider three leading questions about working at Malfroy School. This is the last in the series of sharing the views of our teachers. I hope it has given you an opportunity to reflect about what we do at school and look towards the next few years with a positive outlook.



What makes Malfroy School special?

Coming from a much larger primary school, I really enjoy the 'family feel' that Malfroy School has. The children greet you by name and are generous with their smiles. The staff also make the school special, everyone from the cleaner. caretaker, office staff, teachers, teacher aides and management team are approachable and helpful. Linda

The students, staff and community. Students who come from diverse and rich cultural backgrounds, their whanau and the wider community who support Malfroy. The staff who are approachable and friendly, empathetic and engaging.

I like the character of the school, the staff are friendly and are approachable. I love the rumaki unit. The teachers are supported by the staff and are able to give their students a diverse range of learning opportunities in a culturally inclusive environment. Teina

How do you connect with students?

Taking time to listen. Communication is key. Finding out their interests, special abilities and families. Responding to fears and concerns is also important as is sharing my own experiences and being open. Linda

Firstly to build relationships, learn about their whanau and what their interests and passions are. To build trust and respect by making connections. Promoting schoolwide values and ako. I am learning alongside them. Delyse

I connect through whakapapa- kanohi ki te kanohi. Knowing where students are coming from helps me to know where they are going. Teina





Where do you see education at Malfroy School in 3 vears time?

Increased student directed learning, problem solving and use of technology in both the middle and senior areas of the school. Learners will be more aware of positive learning dispositions. In the junior school, the children will be building the kete of skills; emotional, social, cultural and academic to enable them to become lifelong learners. Linda

Student agency being integrated through values and key skills in the classroom. collaboration, innovation, resilience, adaptation and problem solving to name a few. Delyse.

I see our senior students becoming more independent who can happily work online using devices. Teina

Important Reminders

At this time of the year with the colder weather we are surprised to see a reasonable number of children arriving at school without a warm polar fleece and footwear. We have informed our school community that if children are unwell they will need to remain at home. No matter how resilient our children are, the cold and wet weather conditions will sooner or later affect their health. Please ensure you check your child has the appropriate **uniform and footwear**. If you require assistance with this, we are only too happy to help. Please contact your child's teacher, our office manager Julie Calkin, Jennie McLaren our DP/SENCo, or myself.

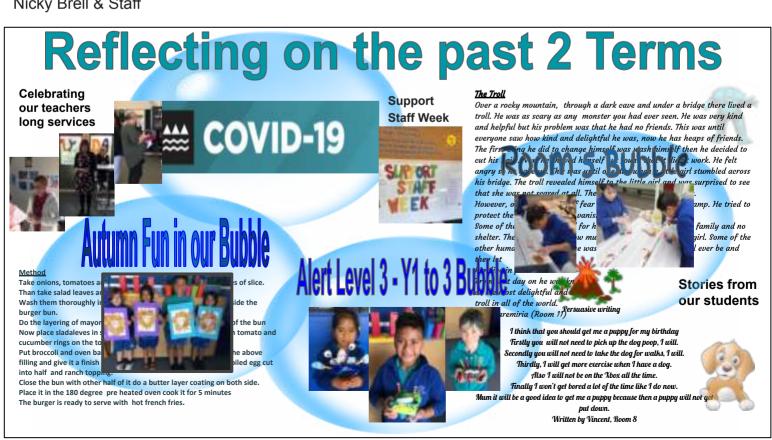
Student Conferences/Parent-Teacher Meetings will be held in Term 3, 28 - 29 July. An on-line appointment schedule will be available to all parents and caregivers in the first week of next term. Please note we will be sending your child's mid-year report home before your meeting.

Class, Sports and School Group photos will be held in Week 2 of Term 2 on Thursday 30 July. Masterpiece Photography has been booked for this year and is new to our school. We will send out a further reminder next term.

Breakfast Club operates from the staffroom on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.30am-8.50am. Currently we have two of our teacher aides Whaea Jan and Whaea Hinewai supervising this programme. Are there two parents or caregivers who are available to help out on a roster basis. If so, please contact our office manager Julie Calkin on 3488588 or myself on 0274941918. We are also hoping we can interest volunteers with classroom support and rugby.

Thank you for your support and tolerance over the last few months during a difficult time. It has been a long term and we appreciate everything you have done to support your children. Please accept our sincere thanks for your effort, care and kindness shown to our staff.

Nga mihi Nicky Brell & Staff





Room 8 Matariki

In Room 8 we read the Seven Kites of Matariki, by Calico McClintock and Dominique Ford.

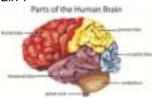
Some of us made our own kites, ready to fly during Matariki, in the July school holidays.

Have fun!

Room 12 Life Education

The seniors have been visiting Whaea Kristy and Harold to learn about "The Brain".

We learnt that we need: Oxygen to breath Water to drink Food to eat



There are 6 things we need to keep happy and healthy:

- 1.Shelter
- 2.Love
- 3.Exercise

4.Safety

5.Sleep

6. Clean yourself







Room 9

Having Mrs Owen has been a lot of fun. We have done a lot of artwork. We made maori drawings of Geckos, Kiwis, we even made symmetrical bugs. We also made a maori plate for a Matariki story. Mrs Owen is a great teacher. By Sophie



I have enjoyed having Mrs Owen as our teacher for the first part of the year. Mrs Owen is a great teacher. She teachers us new things about fractions and cool stuff. We also did some beautiful artwork that Mrs Owen shows us, she is very good at drawing. Thank you Mrs Owen. By Anvi





Mrs Owen is a great teacher. She has taught some very cool art work. I am proud to have her as my teacher. We did lots of art stuff like the 'Stars of Matariki' on a plate, artwork of Geckos. By Leah-May

Masterpiece Photography

When: Thursday 30th July.



Payments envelopes will be sent home next term with your child. You can make payments at the school office or via internet banking. All the details will be on the back of the envelope. Please note that payment is required by the Wednesday 29th July.

Photo Day

Lunches in School

Please check the weekly lunch menu on our Facebook page. If they know what they would like before school, this would make it easy for the class teacher each morning.

Malfroy Miniball Results		
Team	Win/Loss	POD
Malfroy Majors	Won	Charlotte
Malfroy Middles	Loss	Lisa
Malfroy Midgets	Won	Mason

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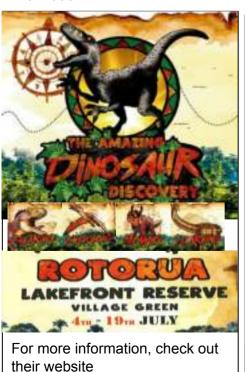


Great to see our students back into sports! Here are our Malfroy Midgets showing their skills every Monday afternoon at the Sportsdrome.



JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Need something to do over the school holidays. Check out the attractions available here in Rotorua. There are **Dinosaur Discovery** at the Village Green Lakefront reserve, swimming at the **Aquatic Centre**, many activities for kids at the **Rotorua Library** and also **School Holiday Programmes** available. Check out their websites for more information.



www.DinosaurDiscovery.co.nz or

call 027 SEE DINO (733 3466)



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