

Malfroy School

We Always Shine

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Principal's Newsletter Term 4 Week 9

10 December 2020

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

Year 6 Graduates

Thank you for your time at Malfroy School. You can look back on this year as very special for you, your friends, family and teachers.

We cannot forget what we experienced with the impact of COVID-19. Home became school and we got to know our neighbours a lot more. CPR (collaborators, problem solvers, risk takers) became our "footprints" to a different way of learning.

Remember the Cornerstone Values and apply them to help others. In turn you will have others helping you. Strive to do your best because that's how you achieve. Enjoy your challenges as much as you will appreciate your successes. Most of all, be you! You are special, you are unique. We wish you well as you move on to your next school.



Te Kaukura and Elize reflected on their time at Malfroy School. Iris cut the cake 'Class of 2020'.

Celebration Assembly



The Celebration Assembly starts at 11.00am on Monday 14 December. Seating is limited. Students will visit their new classes 2021 on Monday afternoon. School Reports will be sent home with students on Monday. Last day of school 12.30pm Tuesday 15 December.



The **Christmas Carols concert** drew an appreciative audience of students, staff and parents last Friday. The children have been learning and practising well known carols for the last month. Staff too put on an item 'Mary's Boy Child'. We wish everyone a safe and merry Christmas!

Senior Students at Mi Camp Whakamaru

On Monday students from Rooms 8, 9, 13 and 16 headed to their end-of-year camp. You may recall that due to the COVID-19 lock-down in March, this camp was postponed. Yesterday, Rooms 10, 11, and 12 headed out. Both groups were well supported by staff and a large contingent of parent helpers.

I had the opportunity to visit the camp on Tuesday afternoon. Everyone was in good spirits and enjoying the variety of outdoor activities. Dinner was roast lamb with roasted vegetables followed by apple pie and icecream.

Thank you to the Senior team and camp helpers.



Teaching Staff Roster 2021

Junior Team

Raeleen Walker-Hulme (Team leader), Linda Beck, Tuini Walker, Delyse Bell, Dolly Boynton

Middle Team

Ruth Mountney (Team Leader), Wendy Falconer (AP/SLT), Sarah Francis

Senior Team

Teina Taute (Team Leader), Lee Overdevest, Aroha Davis, Ngareta Te Whau, Helen Ramsdale

Specialist Teacher

Tessa Threadgill (LSC), Jenny Brell (CRT)

Senior Leadership Team

Jennie McLaren (DP/SENCo), Wendy Falconer (AP), Nicky Brell (Principal)

We farewell and thank staff who are leaving

Anna Schlotjes, Kathryn Hunter, Saveth Pon, Stacey Ward, Marta McPeak

Reflections 2020

We had a great start to the year. Little did we know that a pandemic would change our lives to the extent of closing our schools. Learning from home became the norm. Students got to communicate with their teachers via email, Seesaw, or text. Parents too got to know their child's teacher. Returning to school was exciting for some, tentative for others. We realised that COVID-19 was creating problems in other countries that were greater than ours. Our government and public health officials had united the country and we followed a plan that kept us safe. Thank you to the Malfroy School community for doing your part, getting your children ready for school, keeping them safe, helping at school in so many ways, showing acts of kindness.

To our students thank you for your contribution, coping with change, looking after your friends and teachers, and doing your best.

To our staff, the Board of Trustees, local Ministry of Education officials, and other partners, thank you for your resilience, teamwork and acts of kindness. We got through the year together!

Ko matou, ko matou, ko koutou, ko koutou,

Me haere tahi tatou!

You are you, we are we, together we go forward!

Nga mihi

Nicky Brell & Staff

2020

Another Year at Malfroy School

2020 is slowly coming to an end. Let's look at what we have done over this year



Lockdown - Bang! We were all put into lockdown



Learning from home via Zoom.
Students and teachers learnt how to do school work from home

Our transition class - Some of them have already started school



Completion of the School Hall - Our rebuilt School hall was finished, and it looks beautiful!



Recognising long serving staff members. 20yrs for Jan and Tessa and 10yrs for Jenny B

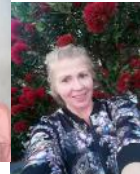
We say farewell to some staff members - Denise and Carey



Budding Poets



Malfroy School make it on the big screen



Welcoming new staff members - Saveth, Delyse Kelly and Kathryn.

Year 6

Graduates



Changing Schools?

If your child/children are leaving Malfroy school next year, can you please inform the office. This information is vital for our records.

Uniforms

If you have any Malfroy School uniforms in good condition that you will no longer be needing, please donate to the school.

Student Medications

All year 6 students need to collect their medication before leaving school on their last day of school, from the office.

Message from the Board of Trustees (BOT)

Nga mihi nui e te whanau o te kura o Malfroy.

What an amazing year this has been for our school. The achievements of our tamariki has been outstanding! A huge credit to our awesome staff. Being on the Board of Trustees give me an great insight into our school. If you would like to be apart of our awesome team, come and see Nicky Brell or Jennie McLaren. Have a very safe and happy holidays whanau.

Ngapi

Office Opening Day for Stationary and Enrolments

The school office will be open on Thursday 28th January and Friday 29th January from 9.00am to 3.00pm.

Students start back at school on Tuesday 2nd February at 8.55am.

Malfroy School will be providing free Healthy School Lunches for every student at school. Back-to-school is not just for children! We are always happy and keen to meet our parents and caregivers.

Please check our web page
www.malfroy.school.nz

2021 Term Dates and Public Holidays

Term Dates

Term 1 - Tuesday 2nd February - Fri 16th April
Term 2 - Monday 3rd May - Fri 9th July
Term 3 - Monday 26th July- Fri 1st October
Term 4 - Monday 18th October - TBC

Public Holidays

Waitangi Day	Observed 8th February
Good Friday	Friday 2nd April
Anzac Day	Saturday 25th April
Queen's Birthday	Monday 7th June
Labour Day	Monday 25th October

BREAD TAGS for wheelchairs

What is 'Bread Tags for Wheelchairs'?

They are a voluntary group that collect bread tags to help fund wheelchairs in South Africa, this also keeps the bread tags out of our landfills.

Competition Time

Classes - We are going to run a bread tag collecting competition next year! Please collect all of your bread tags over the holidays and bring the in next term. Room 13 will collect and work out the totals and then they can go in the office jars for the wheelchair charity.



Book Launch at McLeods Booksellers



From the creator of the poetry book written by Rotorua students, there will be a book launch for 'Twas before Christmas...in the Caravan Park' by Terry Locke at McLeods on Tuesday, December 15, at 4 pm. Pop on down to McLeods Booksellers. While your there check our their amazing range of books for all ages

A FUNDRAISING EVENT IN SUPPORT OF THE

Montessori

THE ULTIMATE GARAGE SALE SATURDAY 12th December

7.30AM - 12.30PM

Clothing, Shoes, Toys, Bedding, Kitchen, Furniture, Appliances, Camping gear, Books, Bicycles, Tools and much more!

WHERE: ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE, RGHS, OLD TAUPO RD.

DONATIONS OF QUALITY GOODS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED BETWEEN 3.30 - 4.30PM WED 9TH - THURS 10TH AND FRIDAY 11TH BETWEEN 3.30 - 6.00PM @ RGHS PAC or earlier by arrangement. Ph 0276561070

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Parents, caregivers and students - Have a wonderful break over the christmas holidays. Be safe wherever you go and whatever you do. We look forward to seeing you all next year.

From all the Staff at Malfroy School
Merry Christmas

