



# Merrilands School Newsletter

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'A CARING COMMUNITY INSPIRING LIFELONG LEARNING'

## Tēnā koutou katoa

This is our final newsletter for Term 1. It's been wonderful to have a full term to start the year off, so different to Term 1 last year.

There's been lots to celebrate this term for our school. Firstly our students – your tamariki, how proud we are of them all! Today's SHINE assembly was a celebration of the efforts every single one of our students has been making to be the best they can be this term. Students who have completed their Level 1 SHINE cards are:

Year 5-6:  
Kalani Waiwiri-Nathan & Ciana Allardice,

Year 3-4:  
Traysharn Waiwiri-Nathan, Donovan Marr, Jordy Miller, Maddison Terry, Gabriella Al Sawalha

Year 1-2:  
Indie Lind

We also acknowledged all of our adults around the school who help to support our students to be the best they can be. Our playground and classroom incident data continues to be a point of celebration where the ways students are far more consistently using their SHINE values to make these places positive places for everyone.

Our data shows us the awesome improvements over the past 12 months. This is something that we constantly monitor and review as part of PB4L. It makes our place a fun and enjoyable place for everyone.

Other great things to celebrate are the completion of so much property work. You will have noticed more and more of the scaffolding and fencing coming down. Roofing work is all but complete except for the office entrance which will take a little more time yet.

As shared in the staffing update, we welcome Mr Bridger into Room 5 and Matua John into Room 6, taking over from Miss Wormald and Mrs Looney. We wish both Miss Wormald and Mrs Looney all the best in their future positions and know they will continue to make a great impact on education. I also thank them for all their work in their time with us.

Next term we get underway on Monday 3 May. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone back safe and well. Take care over the holiday break!

Ngā manaakitanga  
Michelle Cronin  
Principal

### Key Dates for Term 2

Fri 16	Assembly 10.15am – SHINE Assembly followed by SHINE TIME
Fri 16	Term 1 Ends
<b>MAY</b>	
Mon 3	Term 2 Starts
Mon 3	Home & School AGM 7pm
Fri 7	Yr 5/6 Interschool Exchange vs Omata at Merrilands
Fri 14	Assembly 10.15am – Leaders
Mon 17	Miniball / Basketball Starts
Wed 19	Rippa Tournament Yr 3-6
Fri 21	Rippa Tournament Postponement
Wed 26	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
Fri 28	Assembly 10.15am – Seniors
<b>JUNE</b>	
Fri 4	Yr 5/6 Interschool Exchange vs Lepperton at Merrilands
Mon 7	School Closed – Queen's Birthday Weekend
Fri 11	Assembly 10.15am – Middles
Fri 23	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
Fri 25	Assembly 10.15am – Juniors
<b>JULY</b>	
Fri 9	Assembly 10.15am – SHINE Assembly followed by SHINE TIME
Fri 9	Term 2 Ends
Mon 26	Term 3 Starts

## CELEBRATING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

***At the Week 11 assembly the following students were acknowledged for their super efforts:***

Room 1	<b>Esme Chisnall</b> - For a winning attitude towards school. Great seeing you getting involved and positive about learning. <b>Matthew Broome</b> - For always trying hard in class and giving your best effort in all learning areas.
Room 3	<b>Shae Scrivener</b> - For attention to detail as part of the Helping Hands car washing project. A greata example of Excellence. <b>Emily Swan</b> - For displaying initiative as part of your Road Patrol duty. You also communicate effectively with your buddy. Great self-managing skills.
Room 4	<b>Wyatt Swan</b> - For showing a positive attitude and excellence with your work. You set a wonderful example for others, ka pai! <b>Luci Biggar</b> - For showing citizenship in class and around our school. You are a great role model for others, excellent effort!
Room 5	<b>Katie Henderson</b> - For trying your best in everything you do. The quality of your work is something to be very proud of. <b>Kavahn Watene</b> - For being proud to be on stage in Kapa Haka. Your commitment to performing is incredible to watch.
Room 6	<b>Neitana Waiwiri-Grant</b> - For showing an awesome attitude towards your learning and friendships. It is a pleasure to have you in Room 6! <b>Mandy Lim</b> - For being a diligent and focused learner. Keep shining Mandy!
Room 9	<b>Ash Davey</b> - You are always happy to give anything a try. I love your enthusiasm. Well done Ash <b>Talia Martens</b> - You are always happy to give anything a try. Well done Talia.
Room 10	<b>Peter Taylor</b> - For trying really hard with learning new words in literacy and striving to be the best you can be each day at school. <b>Claudia Gilchrist</b> - For being a great example to others and showing enthusiasm for your learning.
Room 11	<b>Lochie Ward</b> - For consistently using your SHINE values in class and being an excellent role model to others. You SHINE! <b>Alex Biggar</b> - For improving your reading and writing skills at school. You are trying your best in class and show

### LUCKY SHINE WINNERS AT OUR WEEK 11 ASSEMBLY DRAW:

#### JUNIOR

Evie Reid - Rm 9  
Thayne Smith - Rm 9  
Annie Ewington-Boult - Rm 9

#### MIDDLE

Indie Weaver - Rm 6  
Sophie Sargeson - Rm 6  
John Deakin Allardice - Rm 6

#### SENIOR

Tamahae Stirling - Rm 3  
Jonathan Matthews - Rm 1  
Sharn McGill - Rm 3



***Today at our SHINE Assembly we also acknowledged all the hard work our Teachers, Teacher Aides, Relievers and Administration staff do to help our school to SHINE.***

***Your ongoing support for all of these people helps our school to be the positive place that it is.***