



Merrilands School Newsletter

Issue 10
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'A CARING COMMUNITY INSPIRING LIFELONG LEARNING'

Tēnā koutou katoa

We've made it! What a term it has been! The resilience, flexibility and support shown for your children and our school over this term has been appreciated immensely by the whole Merrilands School Team. We couldn't be more appreciative of the way our community gets in behind us as a school to work in the best way possible, during these tricky times with how the COVID-19 pandemic continues to influence how we live. We've focused as a staff on managing what we have control of, and supporting each other to work together so that nothing feels like too big of a challenge. To the team of staff at our school, I extend my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for all that they do for our tamariki and community. It's a great place to work.

We have tried to ensure events planned have been able to go ahead while we've been at Alert Level 2. Each team ran an adapted Cross Country event and you'll see results further into the newsletter. We are proud of all the children for their efforts to run with both perseverance and determination to complete this event.

Structures has been a key area of our learning inquiries this term and Thursday provided opportunity to share across classes more about this learning.

As you'll see from school calendar dates alongside, there's lots to look forward to next term. Please keep an eye on the calendar in the school app as any updates will appear there first.

Safety is the key theme of Term 4 across all classes of the school. Learning will include the likes of road safety, riding safety, fire safety, water safety, scooter & bike skills sessions and wrapping up at the end of the term, with a visit from Harold and the Life Education truck. We will advertise parent sessions and encourage you to come along to learn more about the likes of Keeping Ourselves Safe, a programme delivered in conjunction with NZ Police in future correspondence.

We will wrap up the end of the year with the Year 5 & 6 Dinner / Dance, Trophy Assembly and Final Assembly. We look forward to seeing our Year 6 students continue to strive to be the best they can be in this final term of their primary school years.

Take care and stay safe over the holiday period!

Ngā manaakitanga
Michelle Cronin
Principal

Key Dates for Term 4

OCTOBER	
Mon 18	Term 4 Starts
Mon – Fri	Getting around safely week
Tue- Fri 19-22	Cycle Safety Programme – Senior Team
Mon 25	Labour Day – School Closed
Wed 27	LEAD Virtual Day – Year 6
Wed 27	Board Meeting 6.30pm
Thu 28	Loud Shirt Day
Fri 29	Assembly 10.15am - Juniors
NOVEMBER	
M 1 – F 5	Safe Riding Week
Mon 1	Scooter Skills – Middle Team
Wed 3	Scooter Skills – Junior Team
Fri 5	Parihaka Day
Mon 8	Puanga Festival
Mon-Fri 1-5	Water Safety Week
Tue-Th 10-11	Y6 Todd Energy Water Safety Programme
Wed 10	Water Safety Classroom Day – Swim NZ
Fri 12	Assembly 10.15am - Middles
Mon 15	Teacher Only Day – School Closed
Tue – Fri 16-19	Fire Safety Week
Tue 16	Primary Chess Tournament
Mon – Fri 22-26	Keeping Ourselves Safe Week
Wed 24	Board Meeting – 6.30pm
Fri 26	Assembly 10.15am - Seniors
Tue 30	Year 5 & 6 Dinner / Dance
DECEMBER	
Fri 3	Athletics Day
Wed-Tu 8 - 14	Life Education
Fri 10	Trophy Assembly 10.15am
Mon 13	Reports home
Wed 15	Final Assembly 11.30am
Wed 15	Last Day of Term 4 School closes 12.00pm

LUCKY SHINE WINNERS AT THE END OF TERM 3:

JUNIOR

Paipa-Jane Evans - Rm 7
 Peter Taylor - Rm 7
 Elissa Jansen - Rm 11
 Brice Bridger - Rm 9
 Kai-era Hoeta-Nathan - Rm 7
 Quinn Schrader - Rm 7

MIDDLE

Ellie Gillum - Rm 6
 Riley Lindsay - Rm 5
 John Deakin Allardice - Rm 6
 Jordy Millar - Rm 5
 Maddison Terry - Rm 5
 Traysharn Waiwiri-Nathan - Rm 5

SENIOR

Benji Ashton - Rm 1
 Sam O'Keefe - Rm 1
 Reid Lee - Rm 1
 Emmaly Bridger - Rm 3
 Sharn McGill - Rm 3
 Kalani Waiwiri-Nathan - Rm 3



We are really proud of the following students who have completed their Level 1 SHINE card and were presented their Level 1 band at the end of the term:

Year 5-6:

Delilah Van Vliet, Sativa Hoeta-Nathan, Benji Ashton, Emma Larsen, Bennett Sargeson, Finn Ward, Lars Dravitski, Amerra Blake, Sapphire-Rose Glover, Memphis Rewa-Berrett, Lilly-May Moore, Zach Graham

Year 3-4:

Sophie Sargeson, Mikayla Henrickson, Luci Biggar, Harper Olsen, Onyx Katene, Riley Lindsay, John Deakin Allardice, Zuri-Rose McGill

Year 1-2:

Jordy Mills, Levi Bridger, Diablo Peters, Asher Swan, Mekala Asiata, Jason Chenhao, Xaviahe Hellier, Zara Morse, Zavier McLaren

We are also really proud of the following students who have completed their Level 2 SHINE card and were presented their Level 2 band at the end of the term:

Year 1-2:

Landen Martens, Liam Fitzgerald, Lana Grobbelaar, Lochie Ward, Peter Taylor

Year 3-4:

Kaziem Rangitonga-Karaka, Charlie Ashton, John Taylor

Year 5-6:

Kalani Waiwiri-Nathan, Nakira Te Awa



**Level 2 SHINE
 students
 enjoying
 morning tea
 with Mrs Cronin**

SHINE TIME

Term 3

Celebrating how our tamariki have been striving to be the best they can be, developing their SHINE values this term

Self manage **H**elp others **I**ntegrity **N**ever quit **E**xcellence



*Students chose which of the following activities they'd like to do:
Coding, Beading, Discovery, Art, Construction, Baking, Technology disassembly,
Mau Rakau, Chill out zone*





Cross Country Results

Year 1 Boys:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Michael Pihema Clarke Gillum Jason Chenhao	Year 4 Boys:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	John Deakin Allardice Caleb Oliver Loki Mercer
Year 1 Girls:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Peyton Anderson-Hayston Dziah Skipper-Ngatai Anna Barnfather	Year 4 Girls:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Hiwa Chin Jordy Millar Michke Grobbelaar
Year 2 Boys:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Mason Hareb Levi Oliver Teos Crowskey	Year 5 Boys:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Reid Lee Harper Scrivener Benji Ashton
Year 2 Girls:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Emily Wilson Elissa Jansen Saya Chin	Year 5 Girls:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Ciana Allardice Maeleene Van Vliet Delilah Van Vliet
Year 3 Boys:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Lucas Collins Jackson Musso Blake Gillum	Year 6 Boys:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Samuel Henderson Kaito Chin Lars Dravitski
Year 3 Girls:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Traysharn Waiwiri-Nathan Harper Olsen Sophie Kuriger	Year 6 Girls:	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Shae Scrivener Cerys Williams Emma Larsen

Cross Country Placing

Year 1 & 2



Year 3 & 4



Year 5 & 6



WHAKATAUKI

Korowaihia tōu ao ki te mātauranga

'Envelop your world in knowledge'

He iti hau mangarai, e tū te pāhokahoka

'After the storm the rainbow appears'

PHRASES TO USE

Pānui ā waha mai

'Read aloud to me'

Tikina to ake ipapa/rorohiko

'Get your ipad/device'

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS

The Home & School committee appreciates the flexibility and understanding being shown as they work within the current 'COVID' conditions and reorganize deliver for Andersons Pie orders. Please know that the delay is beyond their control and orders will be with you all as soon as they can be. A confirmed date will be shared in due course.



LOUD SHIRT DAY

Loud Shirt Day is the annual fundraising campaign for The Hearing House and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme – the only two charities in New Zealand dedicated to helping children and adults with cochlear implants learn to listen and communicate.

We are getting behind this fundraiser and ask children to wear bright mufti clothes on this day and bring along a gold coin donation.

BOARD NEWS

The Board is excited to share with you that the next stage of our major property development is due to get underway. The final two classrooms in need of upgrading – Rooms 7 & 8 will have their upgrades begin on the first day of Term 4.

As this confirmation only came to us on Wednesday afternoon, it has been a busy few days at the end of the term organizing who will go where and how things will work. Room 7 will be based in the Learning Lounge (Library) next term. It is all set up and ready to go. Children in this class visited there on Friday so they know where they are going next term. They might need a wee reminder though after the holiday break.

Pepper Construction will be working onsite and the area they will be working in will be fenced off, with as little impact on day to day operations as possible.

We can't wait to have this final stage completed.

COMMUNITY NEWS



- * Limited edition Holiday Camp T-shirt
- * Lunch provided by the Airs
- * Coaching from Head Coach of the Airs and your current Mountainairs & Thunder!!



- * Take the next step in your basketball journey!



SNR Airs Camp October
(boys and girls)

Costs: \$120 EARLY BIRD (\$135 for registrations 19 September)
Age: 13-18 years olds
Venue: THE LAB
Camp date & time: 11 & 12 October, 9am-3pm

JNR Airs Camp October
(boys and girls)

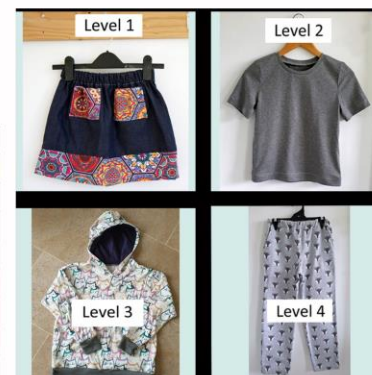
Costs: \$120 EARLY BIRD (\$135 for registrations after 19 September)
Age: 9 - 13 years olds
Venue: TSB Arena
Camp date & time: 13 & 14 October, 9am-3pm

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS
15-3953-0947416-00

FASHION DESIGN & SEWING School Holiday Programme

October 2021

Date	Morning Session 9.30am-1.00pm	Afternoon Session 1.30pm-5.00pm
Mon 4 October	Introduction to Sewing Workshop	Sewing Club Session
Tues 5 October	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 1 session 1	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 2 session 1
Weds 6 October	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 1 session 2	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 2 session 2
Thurs 7 October	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 1 session 3	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 2 session 3
Tues 12 October	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 3 session 1	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 4 session 1
Weds 13 October	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 3 session 2	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 4 session 2
Thurs 14 October	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 3 session 3	Fashion Design & Sewing Level 4 session 3
Fri 15 October	Sewing Club Session	Workshop for Developing Sewers



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Have a safe holiday break and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 18 October!