



Arohena School & Community

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Wednesday 7th February

Newsletter

"Our school exists to offer excellence in all aspects of education"



Tena Koutou Katoa,
Greetings to you all,

Welcome back to our new school year. We have a team of well rested children and teachers who are excited about the new year. We look forward to engaging our students in an exciting learning programme. Our 2018 school-wide theme is all about Making Local and Global Connections. We also encourage all our students to model Arohena School's values of integrity, empathy and perseverance.

Helena, Claire and I are in the process of confirming our plans for this year's school camp and trip to the Mārae. Plans for our first Senior Leadership group activity are underway, with our senior children looking forward to combining with Year 6-8 students from Ngutunui, Paterangi, Pukeatua, Waipa Christian and Wharepapa South Schools. We have a great group of principals and teachers who are committed to providing our senior students with strong leadership opportunities.

Our school sandpit looks like a construction site at the moment with the buzz of excited children playing with our new dump trucks, bulldozers, spades and buckets. While it is great to see everyone working together on their creations, the conversations between the children are priceless.

The swimming pool is also proving very popular in this heat, with the water temperature sitting at a balmy 30 degrees. Thank you to Geoff for maintaining the pool over the season, and to Peter Klos for being our relief pool custodian. If anyone else in the community would like to purchase a key for the season, they are available from the school office.

Music lessons began last Friday with Neville introducing our new five year olds, Lachie, Myles and Kaydia-Lee to the joys of the music programme. Our students are incredibly fortunate to have the benefit of Neville's skill and passion for music.

Preparation is well underway for our annual Trail Ride on Sunday 4th March. Other than the stock scheme, this is our biggest fundraiser of the year and is essential to help fund our teacher aides and music teacher as well as meeting any shortfall in our bus funding. We do thank our local farmers for their continued support and esp. Aotearoa Trust for allowing us to set up base on Waipapa Road. We offer a huge thank you to Roger and Clint Legg and the Honda Shop for all their work in organising this year's event. The signs are up in town and look great. We have received tremendous feedback and look forward to the day.

And finally a reminder to all of our learners to be SMART:



Ngā mihi,

Kind Regards,
Rose Symes

Arohena Trail Ride

Sunday 4th March

Aprox 30km Loop plus A Section, separate 5km loop for learners and kids mini track.

Mixed Terrain, open farmland, hill country

Helmet and suitable footwear compulsory

Assemble at in front paddock, Waipapa Road, 2kms North of Pukewhau Road.

Sign on from 8.00am - Track opens at 9.00am
closes @ 3pm

BBQ sausages, drinks available for purchase

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