



Newsletter

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Kia ora mai koutou

The end of the Term has crept up on us....not sure from where or why so mysteriously...but here we are! I am sure you are all looking forward to getting your child's Profile. Some of the progress that has been made is outstanding – the full data is yet to be collated and analysed – and I have been particularly interested in the maths comments. You will be aware that problem-solving in maths is one of the main parts of staff professional development this year and I noted a shift in the language in the maths comment of the Profiles now. It is less about what the student knows and more about how they explain this.

Which segues nicely into our fono yesterday where we had a good representation of parents, teachers and students sharing maths ideas. The students set the scene with profound insights into how the new approach to maths is helping them and everybody was captivated by how they shared what they shared. When the mentors from Massey University came to do their workshop, it was very powerful to see how willingly the parents and teachers explored ways that maths is all around us. Thanks so much for all those who attended and especially Linda and Frank from the University for giving their time. My hope is that parents will now have some idea about how we are doing maths now at school.

Unfortunately our Whanau Hui was less well-attended by parents although the good number of staff and Board members meant that we could have a positive discussion focusing how we can organise, promote and run these important meetings better. We have some excellent ideas for next Term's Hui and will keep you all informed.

Thanks to all for the hard work and support. Next Term we have planned a wonderful cultural Ako me pehea te ako (Learning how Learning Works) focus. This is exciting.

Enjoy the time with your wonderful children.

Heio ano ra

Greg

Tomorrow is the last day of term 2. School closes at the normal time of 3pm.
See you back on Monday 24th July.

Waitakere half Marathon, 11km/5km fundraiser

SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER 2017
For every adult who enters the race and registers with our unique code... AVONDALEPRIMARY - \$5 comes back to our school. Obviously we want as many friends, families and wider community to register with our code.



Please tell to your families and anyone else who you know that already enters or may be interested in entering.

Magical Park

Just a reminder to pop up during the holiday break and play **Magical Park** on our school field... a fantastic and **FREE** activity for the whole family. To play download 'magical parks' from either the app store or google play.



dates for your diary

WEEK 10 - LAST WEEK OF THE TERM

July 7th Lunch Orders
Duffy Assembly 2pm
In the hall. All welcome
Last day of term 2. School closes at the normal time of 3pm.

Term 3 WEEK 1

July 24th **First day of term 3. School starts at 9am**
School assembly 10am

July 25th Whanau Leader meeting

July 27th Tech Angels meeting

July 28th Lunch Orders

WEEK 2

July 31st Welcome to four student teachers from AUT working in Rooms 1, 7, 8 & 17
School assembly 10am

Aug 1st Australian Exams (ICAS) - English
Kea Syndicate trip to the Auckland Museum
Whanau Leader meeting

Aug 2nd Tech Angels meeting
Friends of Avondale meeting 2.00 pm staffroom

Aug 3rd **Nga Kaea mo Apopo wshop**
Tech Angels meeting
Newsletter #11 comes home

Aug 4th Lunch Orders

Week 3

Aug 7th **Peace Week**
School assembly 10am

Aug 9th **Whanau Leaders hosting a family Learning Breakfast Hub**
(more info to come)

Saturday 12 August OUR SCHOOL QUIZ

Week 4

Aug 16th Y5/6 Winter Field day

winter & mud

This week we have had a number of students come into the office for a change of clothes after slipping over in the mud. Unfortunately we do not have spare pants here at school. As next term will also be wet and muddy, it would be a good idea to pop a change of clothes into your child's bag in case this happens. If you have spare track pants/trousers at home that your child has grown out of, we would appreciate having some spare ones here – just drop them at the office. Thank you.



friday lunch Orders

Taste Café Friday lunches...These orders need to be complete by 9am Friday, from either the school office or direct to the cafe.

term dates

TERM 2:

Monday 1 May – Friday 7 July

TERM 3:

Monday 24 July – Friday 29 September
Teacher Only Day (school closed) Wednesday 23 August

TERM 4:

Monday 16 October – Friday 15 December (TBC)
Labour Day (Public Holiday) – Monday 23 October

Values & virtues

Our focus for the next three weeks

Value:

Resilience / Manawarao

We are resilient. Whatever challenges today brings we are confident that we will achieve our goals. We are reminded of our own strengths.

Virtue: Perseverance/U-tona-tanga

We have perseverance. We keep a steady pace in what we choose to do. We keep on keeping on. We finish what we start. We are loyal and committed friends.

friends of avondale School quiz



SATURDAY 12TH AUGUST

Put this date in your diary

This is always a fabulous night out. Tickets will go on sale week one next term. Contact us on 828 8929

or email Kim at kimw@avondaleprimary.school.nz

Or Sharron at

sharrone@avondaleprimary.school.nz

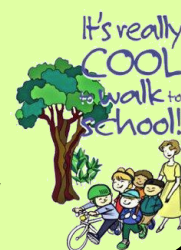
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A message from our Wastewise Team

Small pita breads to make mini pizzas. Top a whole or half a pita (depending on thickness) with tomato paste, small slices of veggies such as capsicum or zucchini, ham or chicken roll, and grated cheese. Microwave or grill until the cheese has softened.

A message from our Travelwise Team
Set a good example...walk to school!

Why not walk to and from school with your child? It's the perfect opportunity to teach your child road safety skills and it's good for family fitness. **Walking is Fun, Free and Fast!**



introducing . . . Our Whanau Leaders

We have 16 incredible Year 6 Leaders.

To acknowledge and thank them for the wonderful impact they are making around our school. No 5 is Gracie

Gracie

Kauri Year 6 Room 12

Hobbies and Interests:

Cooking, Making Crafty Stuff, Playing Handball,
Riding my bike and reading comics

What it means to be a whanau leader?

Being a whanau leader means to me being a positive role model to others. It means that I'm helping others with the examples I set. Like Kea Crossing, I'm helping kids and their parents cross the road safely. Not only do I help kids, I help the teachers as well by selling ice blocks, etc.

Being a whanau leader means that I'm making a difference at A.P.S giving service to the school being a good influence to my generation and younger and older generations too.

Rainbows End Student of the term

Congratulations to the following students for achieving the 'Student of the Term' for their year level.

Y1	Danielle Pedrezuala	R5	<i>She is a very hard worker and always a Shine student</i>
Y2	Clementine Spearman	R6	<i>She has outstanding behaviour, excellent attitude and very high academic performance</i>
Y3	Mia Mave	R7	<i>Independent and conscientious worker, creative thinker, has great social skills, is kind and considerate, and is above average academically in all areas. Just a lovely person - carries the sunshine with her everywhere</i>
Y4	Farjad Habib	R17	<i>Awesome all-rounder, works well with others, displays APS values and gives best effort in all areas of learning.</i>
Y5	Hope Jones	R10	<i>Positive attitude to learning</i>
Y6	Andre Chalmers	R12	<i>Positive and excellent work ethic</i>

Swim team

Congratulations to the these two students who placed at the South-West Swimming Carnival earlier this term

Serena Fesolai	3rd PLACE	9 Year Old Girls 25m Freestyle
Brook Yu	2nd PLACE	9 Year Old Boys 25m Freestyle
	2nd PLACE	9 Year Old Boys 25m Backstroke

Year 3/4 football tournament

Congratulations to our Year3/4 Football team for their amazing attitude and commitment at the tournament. We are proud of every single one of you. You played so well, as a result the team got some great goals.

A huge thanks to Aakash, a Year 6 student for coaching the team and for Liam and Fa'avae, also year 6 students, for refereeing the games on the day.

Well done to Mr McCutcheon for coordinating the day and to Ms Corcoran for assisting Aakash.

As always we have such incredible whanau supporting our students... a big thanks to these parents and grandparents too.

Finally thanks to Diane, a fab grandmother for **washing the shirt... YOU ROCK Diane!**

Avondale Primary School hosted the event and it was very successful.

Eco Soap

We are selling *Eco Soap* as a school fundraiser. Each bar costs \$2.50 to buy and \$1.00 comes back to us.

We have two kinds: *lemongrass* *grapefruit & mint*

Kelly Club



The July Holidays are nearly here, Kelly Club have a fun two weeks planned for all. We have 2 trip days including, Rock Climbing and The Movies. To book in visit our website www.kellyclub.co.nz or pop into our Kelly Club afterschool program which operates out of the school hall Monday - Friday 3pm - 6pm. There is also an Earlybird Holiday Programme discount of 10% if parents book before the 30th of June For more information email avondale@kellyclub.co.nz or call 0211205575.

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Glen Eden Playhouse - Disney's The Little Mermaid JR

For a school holiday treat for all the family, check out Disney's The Little Mermaid JR at the Glen Eden Playhouse. Adapted from Disney's Broadway production and the motion picture, journey under the sea with Ariel and her aquatic friends in a magical underwater kingdom!

Saturday 15th - 22nd July \$15 00

Ticket can be purchased through iticket or directly from the Theatre



Is your child making artworks like this in their art class? If not, you should try Fine Young Artists ... the art class for artists in the making.

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Animates Holiday Events

School holidays are just around the corner, and Your local store will be hosting free workshops at **11am on Thursday 13 & 20 July**. The sessions will introduce children to the skills they need to be a nurturing pet owner. This school holidays the focus will be caring for fish or reptiles.

What is happening at Avondale Local Library over the holidays?

The theme for the holidays is "What Lies Beneath"

Wed 12 July, 10.30am Under the Sea Storytime

Share aquatic stories, songs and surprises with us at a special watery storytime

Fri 14 July, 10.30am Fantastical Fish Puppets

Come make and decorate a paper bag fish puppet. What fantastical creature can you create??

Tues 18 July, 10.30am Sea Creature Climbers

Create an aquatic climber that will wriggle its way into your world

Fri 21 July, 10.30am Sea Skeletons

What bones lie at the bottom of the sea? Be a bone scientist and construct your own skeleton out of cotton buds with us.

Ongoing : Design your own midnight zone creature

What lurks at the bottom of the ocean? You decide! Create your own midnight zone creature from the depths and display it in the library.

Natural Magic & Puppets for Poppets Present:

\$5 entry (under 2's free)

Local Holiday Shadow Puppet Show - 4 classic children's story-songs

The Three Billy Goats Gruff; The Ugly Duckling; The Teddy Bears Picnic; Nelly The Elephant

Mon & Tues - 17th & 18th July, 10am and 2pm - at Creative Soul's Project, 12 Holly Street

Thurs 20th July, 10am and 2pm - Saint Jude's Church hall, 25 Saint Jude's Street

Fri 21st July, 10am and 2pm - Kelston Scout Hall, 20 Albert Street, Kelston



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Holiday Programme: Various hours

(WINZ SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE!!!)

Please contact us on avondale@kellyclub.co.nz and 021 120 3373
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Weekly activities include: Sports, Crafts, Cooking, Games and trip days.

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