



Newsletter

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Creative Learners, thinkers and communicators who can effectively make a difference

Kia ora mai koutou. Hope you are all keeping warm in your kainga.

Mrs Wilkinson and I were just talking about a few things around the school that we feel could be improved. For that to happen we need feedback.

Even in terms of what we are currently using, i.e. Facebook, Dojo, School App, Webpage, class emails etc, is there anything we could do differently to make our communications with you more dynamic? To some extent while those forums allow for interactive communication, I often wonder if some people are a little daunted by the prospect of social media and if there is a way we can make this more user-friendly? It would be great to hear how it all 'looks' from a parent's perspective. Also as I sit and write this, it occurs to me that the newsletter could be more effectively utilized. I have no idea how, that is why I ask you!

Mathletics is another school-wide initiative crying out for feedback! Hopefully you are fully aware that your child has a licence and can access this at any time on the Net? Sometimes there are issues with different browsers or devices or even managing passwords. How can we make ourselves more available to help with any technical issues? Communication with the classroom teacher is crucial if this programme is to succeed. Are you comfortable to approach your child's teacher with any questions about Mathletics? Do you feel it is resulting in your child having improved mathematical understandings? Is it identifying any learning needs? If so, it would be good to discuss these with the teacher.

At the end of last term we held a whanau hui and a fono. Both were successful in their own way; both needed more parents to attend. How can we make this happen? What value do you see in these gatherings? How can we maximise the benefit for your children?

You will be aware that on Monday we had a full practice of lockdown procedures. The kids were amazing and totally understood the importance of what we did. I am very reassured that we have the correct procedures in place if a genuine emergency were to happen. Are you aware of our procedures? Did you know about the practise drill? What more information would you like? These are very important questions.

We would love to hear from you. Feel free to come in for a chat or email me: principal@avondaleprimary.school.nz

Naku noa *Greg*

tui go to the maritime Museum

Last Friday, all of our year 1 students took a trip to the Auckland Maritime Museum. This is what they thought!

I went to the pontoon and we fed the fish.

by Jasper

We went to the Maritime Museum. It was fun on the pontoon feeding the fish.

By Jarvis

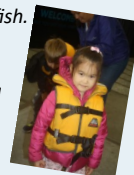
We went to the Maritime Museum.

I liked feeding the fish.

By Tainui

It was disappointing that we couldn't go to the ferry. We fed the fish instead.

By Eilin



dates for your diary

May 26th

PINK SHIRT DAY

Friday Lunch Orders

WEEK 5

SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK

May 29th

School assembly 10am
Senior Rugby training with Joseph Tuitavake

May 30th

Hearing and Vision Testing
Western Zone Rugby League Tournament
Australian Exams (ICAS) - Science
Sport Waitakere Funskills session for Tui and Pukeko
Whanau Leader meeting
Pukeko Syndicate - Triadic Meeting (parent, teacher and student)

May 31st

Auckland Museum sessions with Takahe
Tech Angels meeting

June 2nd

Friday Lunch Orders

WEEK 6

Queens Birthday
school closed



June 6th

Sport Waitakere Funskills session for Tui and Pukeko
Whanau Leader meeting

June 7th

Tech Angels meeting
Friends of Avondale get together 2pm

June 8th

Tui National Standard Parent Workshop
Newsletter #8 comes home

Mathletics

Hey, have you paid your Mathletics fee?????

If you haven't paid yet, what do you do?

Unfortunately you have missed the early bird special of \$20 for the year. The fee is now \$25. If you would like to pay it all now, pay per term, or want to check out how much it is for two, three or more children, come in and see Mrs Cullum or call the office 8288929.



wanted - old carpet

Mrs Wilkinson is looking for an old carpet hallway runner or large square to help train the hockey team. This will simulate how it feels to play on actual turf. Please contact the office or bring it in.



School App!

DOWNLOAD IT TODAY!

Go to the app store and search Avondale Primary School. We now have nearly 150 users. This is a great communication tool.



Scholastic books

Scholastic lucky book orders Issue 3 are due in by Tuesday 20th June to school. If you are doing it online, it closes on 24th June



Values & virtues

Our focus for the next two weeks

Value:

Tolerance / Tuku-marie

We are tolerant. We overlook other people's faults. We appreciate differences. We accept the things we cannot change with good grace.

Virtue:

Cooperation / Mahi tahi

We are cooperative. We work and play well with others. We respect the rules. We keep ourselves and others safe.

friends of avondale

Our next meeting is Wednesday 7th June at 2pm in the boardroom.

We are planning for the School Quiz

SATURDAY 12TH AUGUST

Put this date in your diary

This is always a fabulous night out.

Contact us on 828 8929

or email Kim at kimw@avondaleprimary.school.nz

Or Sharron at

sharrone@avondaleprimary.school.nz

Please check out our facebook page for regular updates
<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfAvondalePrimary/>



term dates

TERM 2:

Monday 1 May – Friday 7 July

Queen's birthday (Public Holiday) – Monday 5 June

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

A message from our Wastewise Team

Got the sandwich blahs?

Make a tapas-style lunch by packing multigrain crackers, slices of cheese, ham or salami, and thinly sliced veggies for kids to put together in whatever combination they like.



A message from our Travelwise Team

Sitting duck

Never call your child across the other side of the road. Excited children often dash out on to the road forgetting to look for traffic. Children cannot accurately judge traffic speed.



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 2 is Aakash.

Aakash

Totara Year 6 Room 10

Hobbies and interests:

I like playing soccer and teaching other kids how to play.

I like running around and many sports

What does it mean to be a Whanau Leader?

I get to take matters into my own hand and get to be responsible for many things.

I help kids if they have fallen over and hurt themselves.



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

a friend for bubbles

On the weekend I went with my dad to the pet shop to buy a friend for my goldfish Bubbles. He is lonely swimming around by himself. In the shop I saw a goldfish with humongous eyes! I said, "It is cute!" "Can I buy that one?" Then I thought about it and it would not fit in the goldfish bowl!

Written by Arzo Room 19



Lock down

You may be aware that we had a full audit of our Lock Down Procedure on Monday. This was checked by an independent company, Harrison Tew®, who specialise in Emergency Management Plans for schools and educational facilities. Our entire school including our students all participated in training sessions. This practice scenarios are to ensure all staff and students remain familiar with our processes.

We communicated this information via our school website, Facebook page and the school app. These were updated as regularly as possible. We encourage all whanau to like our Facebook page, check our website regularly or download our app. (see how on the other page)

Should you hear of a lock down or evacuation at the school, can we please ask that you do not attend the school or phone, as we will not be able to respond. Your presence or contact may make it more difficult for us or the emergency services to manage a situation.



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Pink Shirt Day

bullying stops here

tomorrow

Speak up Stand together Stop bullying

On Friday 26 May, we are celebrating National Pink Shirt Day.

Pink Shirt Day is all about action – small actions leading to larger actions that create positive change where we live, work and play.

This Friday our students are encouraged to wear pink and stand together to take action against bullying.

Subway day

Thanks very much to all the families who support the Whanau leaders Subway Day. Thank you to our outstanding Whanau Leaders for organising this.

Next term they are planning a Pita Pit Day



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Your bus service is changing

You need to read this

Bus services in West Auckland will change from Sunday 11 June 2017

• New routes • New timetables
• New route numbers • New buses

www.at.govt.nz/newnetworkwest

June 2017

Big Changes to bus services in West Auckland from 11 June 2017

Everything about bus services in West Auckland will change on Sunday 11 June

There will be new bus routes and new timetables. This means if your child uses a public bus to get to school, their journey is likely to be different and you will need to re-plan their bus journey.

Bus timetables and bus route maps are available from Auckland Transport's website

www.at.govt.nz/newnetworkwest

School buses

Some school buses will be changing from Monday 12 June 2017.

For more information please use the link - <https://at.govt.nz/bus-train-ferry/timetables/school-timetables/west-school-bus-changes-from-monday-12-june/>

More information is available on Auckland Transport's website or contact the Call Centre on 09 366 6400.

SKYCITY MYSTICS

An offer to our school - opportunity for students and families to purchase tickets for the next home game taking place at the North Shore Events Centre next Wednesday 31st May – SKYCITY Mystics vs Central Pulse - for the special rate of \$10 per ticket.

Please find below the link for this offer.

<http://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=MYSVPUL17&eg=DEAL&ep=DEAL>

Single Mums Parenting Support Group

New Lynn War Memorial Library, New Lynn, Auckland Sun 4 Jun 2:00pm.
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Uptown Bounce Trampoline parks

Uptown Bounce Trampoline parks mission is to get kiwi kids moving through fun activity. The benefits of trampolining are astounding. NASA believe "rebound exercise is the most efficient, effective form of exercise yet devised by man." Trampolining is a low impact workout that improves cardiovascular fitness and boosts mental health.

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