



Jireh School Newsletter

9 February 2017

Dear Jireh Parents

Welcome back to school. I trust you all managed to have some good family time over the summer holidays. We have an exciting Term of learning planned again this Term. I will briefly outline some of what will be happening. Cricket Blitz teams will be competing weekly for Years 3-6 later in the term. Touch rugby and swimming are the main sports this term. The Auckland Christian Schools Touch Tournament is being hosted at Moire park by Jireh School on 14 March. The Year 6 leadership programme is going to kick off with a leadership day and a trip to Tree Adventures for some team building. They will then take up responsibilities around the school as the students leaders. A Family Fun BBQ is happening on Friday 24 February. Bring a dessert and salad to share, sausages are provided by the school. Our inquiry topic this Term is the Foundation Stones of New Zealand with a focus on the bicultural nature of our **nation. There are trips to Corban's Arts Centre and the Auckland War Memorial Museum and a Marae visit towards the end of the Term. The Year 5s and 6s are heading off to the Shakespeare Pop Up Globe Theatre. There will be a Mufti day with a gold coin donation to raise funds for our TEAR Fund sponsor child, Benimana from Rwanda.** As you can see the campus has changed slightly with the original playground site having been fenced off. Laidlaw require that piece of land for their current building project. To compensate for this, they have moved the fence to the end of our car park to give the students space to play. This has necessitated an additional gate on the side fence near the zebra crossing. Please can you ensure that you or an adult collects your child from inside the school grounds. No child is permitted to leave the school grounds without an adult. The driveway alongside our school is busy and every care needs to be taken to ensure that our children are safe.

I would like to give an update on the playground. We were assured that the playground would be up and ready by the start of school. Unfortunately, this is not the case but Laidlaw is making plans to have the playground reinstated as soon as possible. Exciting new developments are happening concerning our move to becoming a stand-alone school. Please read the important attachment from the Jireh Establishment Board which has now been elected and ratified by the MoE. There is also an important attachment from the KingsWay Trust which contains information about our future in terms of location. The **first meeting** to discuss the future of the school will be held on **February 28** in the **Auckland Mandarin Church at 7:30**. Please diarise this date it is important that we have a representative of every family present at this meeting. There will be a prayer meeting for all who would like to attend to **pray** specifically for the future of Jireh School on **Friday 17 February after school**. There will be staff on duty to mind school-aged children to give you the opportunity to join us in prayer.

As many of you will know the Cook family is leaving Auckland to help run a Christian Camp in Hamilton. They will be sorely missed. We are looking for someone to take over as chairperson of the Jireh Parents Association which has been so ably run by Katie for a number of years. If you are interested please come and see me. It is not as daunting as it may sound as there is a supportive, strong team of parents who help at all the events.

May we know His richest blessings as together we partner in educating your child to be an authentic disciple of our Lord Jesus in an ever-changing world. The One who has lead us this far is faithful to lead the way into the future with hope and expectation.

Yours in partnership,

Sandra Bosman.





A warm Jireh "Welcome" to our new teacher in Pohutukawa

My name is Naomi Borlase and I have been teaching for 8 years. I have spent them all at Mangere Bridge School. I was born and raised in Nelson and love to go back and visit my parents and 93-year-old Grandmother as often as I

can. I have one brother who is an aircraft engineer. He and his wife live in Palmerston North. She is training to be a helicopter pilot in the Air force. I grew up in a strong Christian family and made a commitment at an early age. I attend St Pauls Church in the city and I help lead a home group. I have a very fun cat named Charlie. She likes to play with pegs and sit on plastic bags.

TERM 1 2017:

13 to 16 & 20 to 23 February—PAT Testing

17 February—Swimming. Every Friday for 8 weeks until last lesson on 7th April

22 February—Corbans Estate Art Workshop Rimu + Y5 Totara

23 February—Corbans Estate Art workshop Puriri + Y4 Totara

24 February—Family BBQ

27 February—Corbans Estate Art Workshop Kowhai + Titoki / BOT Meeting

28 February—Parents' Meeting 7.30pm

1 March—Y6 students Leadership Day

2 March—Y6 Leaders—Tree Adventures Trip

6 March—Corbans Estate Art Workshop—Rata + Pohutukawa

9 March—Cricket Blitz. Kowhai, Puriri, Totara + Rimu. Every Thursday during March.

20 March—Museum Trip, Puriri, Totara + Rimu

21 March—Museum Trip, Rata, Pohutukawa, Titoki + Kowhai

SCHOOL TERMS 2017

Term 1: 2 February to 13 April

Term 2: 1 May to 7 July

Term 3: 24 July to 29 September

Term 4: 16 October to 15 December

School Office Hours:

Mondays to Fridays term time 8.30am—3.30pm.

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Scholastic Books

Scholastics is a book club that allows you as a parent to buy discounted children's books. There is no obligation to buy any books but if you do the school benefits by gaining a percentage of the sale to spend on scholastic resources that can be used at school. The latest catalogue is out now and the eldest child should receive one of these to take home in the next few days. The easiest way to order is via the parent loop on the scholastic website, alternatively you can fill out the order form and drop it with payment into the drop box in the office.

Welcome to all our new students ...



Life at
Jireh.....
End of Year
Awards
Ceremony

Hockey
Stars

