



Merivale School

Te Kura o Tūtarawānanga



Matuatia Te Ako



Learning First

PĀNUI

1 May 2024



Term 2: Week 1

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
29 April FIRST DAY OF TERM 2	30 April Throat & Skin Nurse	1 May	2 May	3 May No School: STAFF ONLY DAY	4 May	5 May
6 May	7 May Throat & Skin Nurse	8 May	9 May	10 May Throat & Skin Nurse	11 May	12 May

STAFF ONLY DAY: This Friday May 3rd

The school will not be open for students on this day. All staff will be at school on this day. We are continuing with our Mana Potential journey. The focus of the day will be moving on from the V.A.L.E to Te Mana Tutarāwānanga and embedding our new uara.

Sports News - 1 May 2024

All our basketball and netball teams have been selected and coaches appointed. We have 2 netball and 2 basketball teams.

Basketball

Juniors first game is next Tuesday 7 May vs GSS Warriors, Court 9, 5pm at Mercury Baypark.

Seniors first game is next Friday 10 May vs Papamoa Net Ningas, Court 7, 4.45pm at Mercury Baypark.

Please allow plenty of time for traffic and be at the game at least 20 minutes before tip off.

Netball

The first Netball game for the season is not until Saturday 18 May.

Cross Country

Our senior cross country for Years 4-6 will take place at school on Thursday 16 May starting at 10am. Juniors will take place at a later date.

Netball & Basketball Season 2024

Reminder: If you have received a notice home about Netball or Basketball - the bottom consent form needs to be signed and sent back to the office or Matua Paora.

Fees need to be paid to the office during the season, and can be paid by part payments.

NETBALL SEASON 2024: \$50 per player

BASKETBALL SEASON 2024: \$80 per player.



TERM 2 ATTENDANCE:

Celebration on Tuesday for our attendance.

We had 94% attendance.

What a great start to our term.

Please keep this up.

Over this term we will continue to monitor tamariki attendance.

If they are here for five days in a row their name goes up on Whaea Heathers window and they have a chance to win a bought lunch from Matua Tom.

Be here to win. Its great to see whanau and tamariki checking out the window before and after school.



SCHOOL LUNCHES:

Reminder that free school lunches are provided for all students if they would like them. There is a nutritious and exciting hot menu for them to try.

NEW ENROLMENTS :

Do you have a 4 year old at home that will be turning 5 and coming to school this year? PLEASE come and let us know so we can include them in our 2024 class lists and give you enrolment forms to complete.

We can also organise for some school visits before they start.

TE WAKA NIHO TUATAHI :

Kia Ora Whanau

The mobile dental waka arrived at Merivale School on Monday 29th April.

Barb Laing and Tracey Nicholas will be the dental team working on this unit.

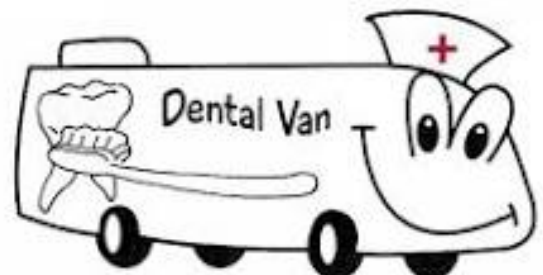
Initially they plan to see the most overdue students and all of the Year 6's.

These students will be called over from their classroom. A consent form will then be sent home for you to sign and update medical history and contact details. The consent form will advise you of what treatment is required for your child.

TREATMENT CANNOT START UNTIL THIS FORM IS RETURNED TO SCHOOL.

If you would like to attend the appointment then please contact Barb or Tracey by txting or ringing 027 2549060.

We only have the therapists here once a year so PLEASE make sure you sign and return the form ASAP. If during the time the waka is here your child has any dental issues then please let the school office know so we can advise the dental team.



Kia ora parents, caregivers and whanau,

Welcome back to Term 2 at Te Kura o Tūtarawānanga.

We have such an exciting term in store with a heap of activities and events that promise to keep us very busy.

However we will ensure that our whanau are kept up to speed with our weekly newsletters and other media outlets.

Staff Only Day.

As mentioned in the previous newsletter and notices last term, this event is taking place **this Friday 3 May** due to staff working on Mana Potential with our facilitator from the University of Waikato. As school will be closed for instruction on this day, please make the necessary arrangements for your child.

Gate Pa Site Visit.

Next **Thursday 9 May**, the whole school will visit St George's Church at Gate Pa. Reverend John Heberton (Whaea Bonnie's husband) will give a presentation on Te Pakanga o Pukehinahina - The Battle of Gate Pa.

A detailed notice has been sent home today.

If you have not received it, please contact the office.

Parent/ Teacher Conferences. Due to our mahi with Mana Potential, we did not hold parent/teacher conferences in Term 1. Because we distribute Interim Reports in Term 2 we will hold Parent/ Teacher conferences early in Term 3 not only to discuss the report but to also check in formally for the year. Just a reminder that if there are any matters you would like to discuss before then, you are welcome to make contact with your child's teacher to arrange a time to meet.

Mauriora!

Matua Tom



Our Ambassadors are encouraging all students to join in to acknowledge Pink Shirt day. This year Pink Shirt day is Friday 17th May Week 3.

We would like tamariki to wear a touch of pink if they can. Pink tee shirt, pink scarf, pink shorts. etc One day a year we celebrate Pink Shirt Day which is an antibullying campaign that celebrates diversity and creates environments where all people can feel safe, valued and respected. Pink Shirt Day began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against the bullying after a new year 10 student was harassed and threatened for wearing pink. We've been celebrating Pink Shirt Day in Aotearoa since 2009 and the campaign grows stronger and larger every year.

Let's all be united in supporting Pink Shirt Day.