

10 August 2022
Term 3 Week 3

Tena Koutou Parents, Caregivers & Whanau,

Week 3 is upon us and there are lots of activities going on at present. Please take the time to read through to ensure you are up to date.

Construction.

Our playground is now operational!

There are some minor details to complete but it is ready to go and the children are ecstatic. A huge thank you to one of our local kaumatua, Matua Pahu Akuhata, for blessing our playground and a big thank you to our Board for making it happen.

Our classrooms are still a wee while away but a tentative date for the opening is Friday 9 September. Please remind whanau to take care if they intend on using the school at this time. There are cordoned off areas that must not be accessed by the public for safety reasons.

Attendance.

A reminder that this is a hot topic for us at the Vale this term. Please help us by ensuring your child attends regularly. We are currently conducting home visits to whanau who are having difficulty getting students to kura. If you require support we ask whanau to please contact us.

Monitoring & Isolation.

As usual, we are again keeping to Ministry guidelines regarding our Covid approach. If your child or a household member tests positive for Covid 19, all household members must isolate for **7 days**. We have also sent out on our website and Facebook page a guide for parents and caregivers of what to do should your child become a positive case or be exposed to a positive household member. Please read through these carefully as they will give advice on whether your child should attend school or not. These can be activated through the following:

Merivale School website -
<https://www.merivale.school.nz/>

Merivale School Facebook page -
<https://www.facebook.com/merivaleschool/>

Mauriora Matua Tom

MERIVALE SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION

Parent Election Results Declaration:

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was fewer than the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Kellie Kioa
Tiria Maunder
Maria Anderson
Bryan Papalii

Jan Honey
Returning Officer

These parents are all current board members and we are very grateful for their continued support of our kura.

Pasifika Festival in the Bay

When - Saturday 29th October 2022

Where - Jubilee Park Te Puke

Last term our Pasifika group started to learn dances for the Pasifika Festival. The students are working very hard to have a performance that you will be proud of. Our tutor is Elisa Latu and she is supported by Whaea Helena, Matua Bryan and Matua Tre. If you feel you could support this group please contact Whaea Heather at school. Please book the date as this will be a high light this year.



Sports News:

Basketball:

Friday 12 August 22

Merivale Carvers vs Gate Pa
QEYC, Memorial Hall, 4pm Court 1

Tuesday 16 August 22

Juniors draw not available yet

Netball:

Saturday 13th August at Tauranga Netball Centre,
Mt Maunganui.

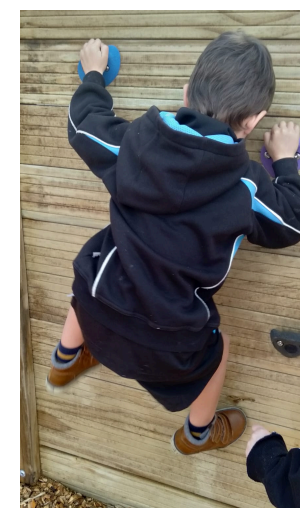
Merivale Magic vs Brookfield Magic
Court 3, 2.55pm

Kōhanga Carpark -

For those parents who collect tamariki from Henderson Crescent after school, can we please ask that you **DO NOT** park in the Kōhanga carpark, these parks are for Kōhanga parents and the Kōhanga van. Thanks for your understanding.

ABSENT STUDENTS –

THANK YOU very much to those of you that are contacting school when your child is absent. This is important and we really appreciate it.



FUN IN THE NEW PLAYGROUND