



15 March 2023
Term 1 - Week 7

Tena Koutou Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

We are steaming through the term and looking forward to many activities coming up within the next few weeks. If you missed any of the previous newsletters or notices, please contact the office.

Neighbourhood Play Systems.

Sport BOP are looking at neighbourhood play systems across the region at the moment and because of our school's close relationship with our Tauranga branch, we have been included in collating data for improved systems in the Vale. Next **Thursday 23 March**, some of our senior classes will be involved with data collection with some of our Sport BOP reps.

Goal Setting Conferences.

Friday 24 March,

Goal Setting Conferences will be back in action after a two year hiatus.

This means that school will be open but only for conferences with parents/caregivers, their child and their classroom teacher.

See the instruction sheet opposite on what this will look like and how to book times online. If you have any queries or concerns, please contact the office.

Attendance. Our target for the whole school this year is for attendance to be 90% or better. We have a couple of strategies in place. They include a weekly class prize and an individual lunch draw for those students who attend a full week. The winner of the individual prize also gets to include a friend.

Lunch is a choice and often involves takeaways. If your child wins this prize, please advise of any special dietary requirements.

Have a great week everyone.

Mauriora!
Matua Tom



Parent-teacher conferences – Goal Setting **Friday 24th March 2023** 8:30am – 2:40pm

These will be held as 1 x 10 minute slot per child with a set format of discussing goal setting / next steps for learning only.

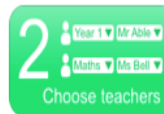
If you are unable to make this day please discuss an alternative time with your child's teacher.

To book your interviews, go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code in your browser, and enter the event code **jzcw2** Then follow these three simple steps:

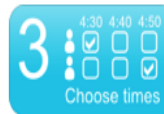


First enter your name, your student's name, and your email address.

If you need to book for more than one student, change the "Book for x students" setting, and enter the other student's name.



On the next page, pick the teacher you want to meet.



Then you'll see a timetable showing when your chosen teachers are available. Simply click on the times that suit you.

When you have finished, your interview timetable will be emailed to you. And you can return to the site and enter the event code **jzcw2** again to change or cancel your interviews.

If you don't have internet access, please call Jan or Karen at the school office (phone 0800 825392). They will be able to make a booking for you.

NZEI Strike Action.

As previously mentioned on our correspondence platforms, tomorrow **Thursday 16 March, Merivale School will be closed** due to the majority of teaching staff being members of NZEI and part of a nationwide strike. In preparation for the strike, please ensure you have made appropriate arrangements for your child.

CERTIFICATE WINNERS - Week 6

