

## 10 April 2019 Term 1 Week 11

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

A big week for us with the Education Review Office currently in the school. It has been awesome holding conversations about where Merivale School is currently and where we are heading on our journey of raising the profile and being the best school. We have made a lot of changes in the year since I have been Principal at Merivale School but there is still more mahi to do. Our review will help us to do some of this work.

A huge thank you to our students and whanau who have been involved throughout the entire process. In particular I would like to thank the staff who have shown commitment and dedication to preparing for the visit. Well done team! Results of our ERO review will be available next term.

New school uniform polos and shorts are available from school.

Skorts, hoodies and jackets will be available in Term 2. A reminder that the old uniform is still in use till the end of 2019 - blue polo, black bottoms, blue polar fleece.

As I reflect on Term 1, it is important to take in the scope of our work. From testing to fundraisers, new staff to new uniforms, this term has brought significant changes. By working closely and in unison together we can have real success over 2019 in relation to learning and progress and implement effective change to help drive this kaupapa.

This Friday 12 April marks the last day for Term 1. School reopens for Term 2 on Monday April 29.

**Iti noa and he pito mata - From a withered tree, a flower blooms**

Nga Mihi  
Matua Tom

### SPORTS NEWS:

**PLEASE !** Can all interested netball and basketball players who received a permission slip have them returned this week. Students can't play without permission.

We may not have any sports teams at all due to the lack of forms returned. Extra forms are available from the office.

All netball is played on Saturday mornings at Harbourside.  
Year 3-4 basketball is played on Tuesday nights at Trustpower/Baypark Arena.  
Year 5-6 basketball is played on Friday nights at Trustpower/Baypark Arena.

Netball and Basketball start in week 2 after the holidays.

### UNIFORM UPDATE –

We have received the next delivery of the new school uniform.

This includes polos & shorts.

If you have either of these items on back order then please come to the school office & collect them.

If you would prefer that we send them home with your child then please let us know by ringing 0800825392

The skorts are due to arrive during the April holidays & the hoodies & jackets are due to arrive in week 2 next term.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS everyone, have a safe and fun holiday and Easter break.

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holidays!