



Dear Parents, Whanau and Caregivers,

Thanks to all those who came to the information evening about how to protect your personal information and details from passing to your child's school google account when they login on a home device. The Senior Leadership Team have worked very hard to resolve the issue and we have had expert advice from our support team at Dynamo6. They are the staff who manage our internet system in the school. They also add Apps to machines and carry out checks as requested. There is a staff member on site every Monday and we also pay to have a large number of off-site remote trouble shooting every month.

The chrome books that are our greatest number of devices in the senior school (Y4-6) have a strong and secure management system. However when the children want to access their google account from home there is often not the same high level of management that schools are required to operate. This lead to some family information being transferred to the students account. We have talked with the families where there was a major issue.

We look to work with you in a partnership and the biggest gap in home security occurs when other users of home devices do not log off or have separate accounts. On Friday we uploaded a document to our website prepared by Dynamo6 at our request, to provide a step by step method to ensure the security of your devices at home. The information is provided for Apple and Microsoft devices. Please use the document, so that unintentional transfer of information cannot occur.

As a school we have;

- Checked all Chrome books
- Checked all iPads used in Year 4-6. They will not be used for research in these classes. They will be used to upload evidence for Spotlight learning.
- Decided that the iPads in Year 1-3 will remain as students do not use passwords and there are only apps to access
- Temporarily withdrawn laptops in Year 4-6 until we have a strong system to manage them.
- Are implementing regular checks of devices.

When you go to the school website to learn how to strengthen security there is also a link to Google to help parents ensure safe use of devices at home. Besides the services provided by Dynamo6 the school gets it internet serves from a government group N4L. They are constantly upgrading security systems to ensure that our students are safe when using school devices at school.

Congratulations

I congratulate Mrs Donna Lee who has been appointed to a position in Te Ao Marama, which is the new school opening in our area next year. Donna has been a regular teacher in our New Entrant rooms for quite a while. I am sure she will enjoy the challenge of being a foundation staff member.

The disappointment from my point of view is that she begins preparing for the new role from the start of Term 4. I know the children will be disappointed. I have started the process to get a replacement and will keep you informed.

Celebration

This Friday (17 August) is our next whole School Celebration beginning at 9.50am. The Celebration will be led by students from Room 16, students from Room 3 will also share their work and Room 23 will present a digital presentation. I hope you can join us for this presentation.

Coming Up Next Week

Tuesday 21/08 School Photos. There will be photographs for the new classes that have started since the last photos were taken in Term 2 along with individual photos of students absent in Term 2, new students, Kapa Haka and the following netball teams: Diamonds, Divas, Mystics (please remember uniforms).

NEXT Monday the Board of Trustees

The next meeting for the Board of Trustees will be next Monday 27 August beginning at 7.00pm. This is a later start as they are meeting (privately) with a consultant to begin planning for the appointment of my replacement.

Parent Interviews

The next Parent Teacher Interviews will be held in week 8. They will be held on Wednesday 12 September (2.00pm – 7.00pm) and Thursday 13 September (2.00-5.00pm). **We will open the online booking site on 29th AUGUST**

Due to Claire Donaldson MANUKA going on paternal leave she will be holding her interviews on Monday 27 (2.00-5.00pm) and Tuesday 28 August (2.00-5.00pm). Claire will be emailing you if your child's interview is with her along with the log in code.

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P.T.A

There are a lot of exciting things happening with the P.T.A Children are getting art work ready for the annual calendar Art, Diaries etc Please call in to your child's class to see their beautiful work.

At the meeting the P.T.A was pleased to hear that work is underway to begin planning and installing a fitness trail. This has been delayed by the wait for the site of the new buildings. This is confirmed so planning is just dependent on a consultant. They will use P.T.A funding from two years ago. Work is underway on forming some new creative spaces for children to play in. This is from the funds raised at this year Trivia Night.

I am hopeful that these arrays will begin soon. We are very lucky to have such a supportive P.T.A

Regards,

Mike Sutton
Principal

Player of the Day

Kaylee Gaybba, Ashley Buckley, Aaminah Maqbool, Georgia Rink, Rototuna Stars Whole Team (Brylie Blake, Milla Blake, Ruby Gilmore, Talia Russell, Iise Deyssel Mylee Hill), Gemma Bird.

Attendance on average or 4 terms or 10 weeks / 40 weeks / 194 days					
Attends 194 school days in each year	10 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	39 days absence	49 days absence
194 days of education	184 days of education	175 days of education	165 days of education	155 days of education	145 days of education
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
GOOD Best chance of success		WORRYING Less chance of success Makes it harder to make progress		SERIOUS CONCERN Significant barrier to success Very hard to make progress	

Effects of being Late to School or Early Pickups - Every Minute Counts	
8.30-8.45am	Arriving before class starts means getting settled and ready for class
8.58am-9.00am	Less likely to be ready for class, likely to be late to class Arriving late means the start of the lesson could be missed and is likely to unsettle your child and the class Your child could be missing vital instructions or notices for the day
9.05am	5 minutes late a day means students miss nearly 3 days of learning time a year
9.10am	10 minutes late a day means students miss 5 days of learning a year
9.20am	20 minutes late a day means students miss 11 days a year
Students that are <u>late or collected early</u> are missing out on learning and can be a disruption to others. If a student is regularly late or collected early it will affect his or her learning at school Arriving on time and before 8.45am is a habit for success	

The New Entrant team have planned a trip to our local marae at Fairfield College.

Wednesday 22nd August GROUP 1: Bag Bay/Classroom Teacher

- Claire Donaldson
- Amy Buick
- Sarah Thomassen
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Friday 24th August GROUP 2: Bag Bay/Classroom Teacher

- Hazel Woodhouse,
- Maria Revell
- Donna Lee

Parent helpers will be confirmed **as soon as possible**. **You will register your help on the online Kindo form.** Unfortunately, not all parents can be chosen to be parent helpers on every ETOC event. The cost of our trip to cover our bus transport will be: \$7.00
Please can you make your payment and permission via Kindo no later than 20th August




Southwell School
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Scholarship

Applications are now open for a prospective student entering Year 7 in 2019

This scholarship will provide support to one student whose financial situation may not allow them to attend Southwell School. The value of the scholarship is for the duration of the student's education at Southwell School.

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Scholarship applications close on Friday 31 August 2018

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