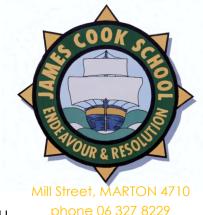
### Newsletter 1 2nd February 2018

# TE TAU O AROHA

### **UP COMING EVENTS**

### The year of LOVE



Term 1

#### 2.15pm Friday Assembly

Our Friday assemblies will resume once Room 1 construction is completed

#### **Twilight Cricket and Kai**

Friday 9th February 5.30-8pm

#### **Fruit in Schools**

Deliveries start 12th February

#### **Goal Setting Conferences**

Tuesday 13th February Wednesday 14th February and Thursday 15th February

#### **Learning Expo**

Tuesday 20th March and Wednesday 22nd March

#### **Cluster Sports Events**

Swimming 15th March at Marton Pool Athletics 6th April in Hunterville

### Whole School Hot Cross Bun

**Making** 

Thursday 29th March

Live
every moment
Laugh
every day
Love
beyond words

Ka mihi nui āhau ki a koutou katoa. Nau mai ki ō mātau tau; te tau o AROHA.

Wow, what a fantastic start to our year of Aroha. The attendance at our Community Open Day was outstanding. Thank you for making the most of this opportunity to meet the staff that will be working alongside you and your whānau and allow your child to familiarise themselves with the environment.

Thank you, whānau, for setting your child up for success by having everything they need to have a great day at school. Their uniforms are worn with pride. Their stationery is ready to go and their hearts are full, with the expectation of what the year will hold. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Over the last few months you may have seen the Wright Family Foundation 'Love Grows Brains' advertisements. Each advertisement shares a family aspiration for their child and an action they are taking to support their whānau. They are statements I know you will connect with. Here is the website to visit to view any one of these,

https://wrightfamilyfoundation.org.nz/love-grows-brains.html

Again thank you for the wonderful start to our year of AROHA. I encourage you to plan something special to do together to commemorate Waitangi Day. This is a special and important day in our nation's narrative. We are the only country in the world to have a treaty between indigenous and colonising nations. Kia kaha AOTEAROA!

Aroha-tino-nui,
Michelle Cameron

### AROUND THE SCHOOL

#### **Goal Setting Conferences**

Goal Setting Parent/Child and Teacher Conferences are being held at an earlier time this year; Tuesday 13th February, Wednesday 14th February and Thursday 15th February.

The aim of the conferences are...

- To share the aspirations you have for your child and their learning this year.
- To discuss the next learning steps shared in your child's 2017 end of year report.

(Please bring your copy of reports with you. Your child's teacher will have a copy. Our Room 4 New Entrants, please bring your child's ECE portfolio to share. New enrolments in other classes we would really appreciate a copy of your child's end of year report from their previous school).

 To update student details to ensure we have the correct information for your child.

The notice for booking a Conference time was sent home with the eldest child from each family on Wednesday 31st January. Thank you to all the parents who have already returned their notice with the times they can attend.

On the Conference days all students will go home at 12pm. Children unable to go home due to work commitments of parents will be supervised at school until 2.45pm. Please notify school if this pertains to you and your child.

**STUDENT ABSENCES –** You can text your child's absent message to 027 758 5514 or call the school office at 06 327 8229

#### **CLASS SWIMMING LESSONS**

Swimming lessons have begun for all students. Thank you for sending your child to school with their named swimming togs, towel, rash shirt and goggles each day.

All lessons for Rooms 2, 3(Y4), 4, 7,8 and 9 are held at school. Lessons for Rooms 1,3 (Y5),5 and 6 are held at Marton Pool and in our school pool.

The days Y5-8 students swim at the Marton Pool are;

#### **February**

 $12^{th},\,13^{th},\,15^{th},\,19^{th},\,20^{th},\,22nd,\,26^{th},\,27^{th}$  March

1st, 5th, 6th, 8th

This year pool entry and transport to and from the Marton Pool has been kindly covered by the Rangitikei District Council.

Later in the term each class will hold a swimming demonstration for whānau to celebrate the swimming progress students have made



Open Dance Crew sessions will start Thursday 8th March @ 3pm. Dance Crew is open to Years 5,6,7 & 8 students interested in dance and willing to commit.

Come along and see if it is for you!

If you have any questions pop in and see

Mrs Michelle Cameron

Rooms 4&9 learning a song together.



Students finding a shady spot to read.



Students from Room 1 refining their artwork.



Room 3 enjoying floating to cool off.

### HELLO FROM OUR BOARD

Welcome one and all,

A special welcome to new families and to our new staff members, Ms Tracy Zvagulis, Ms Kelly Te Whatu and Miss Audette Standing-Phillips. It is privilege to have you all as part of our team.

#### **Building Update**

After a well deserved rest over the statutory holidays, Shane Stone's Building contractors are still hard at work. They have completed most of the exterior jobs and are now working on interior wiring, plumbing and lining.

The classroom should be ready for use beginning of Term 2. We look forward to officially opening the new classroom and food technology area later in the Term.

#### **Education Review Office (ERO)**

An ERO team of three will be visiting our school on 26th February.

#### **Uniforms**

Just a note to confirm that our sole uniform provider is Academy Apparel located at Broadway Palmerston North.

If the size you require is not immediately in stock, please request the size required from Academy Apparel and they will restock as needed. Online purchases can be made. For all uniform information contact Academy Apparel Phone: **06 354 979** 

Email: sales@academyapparel.co.nz

From your James Cook School Board, Jessamy, Nevin, Shane, Ramari, Jonathon, Jannelle, Michelle and Stacey.

### AROUND THE SCHOOL

#### **TWILIGHT CRICKET and KAI**

All welcome, 5.30pm till 8pm at school. Simply bring a plate of kai to share together and enjoy time connecting and playing cricket.

#### PRE-SEASON WINTER SPORTS TRAINING

Starting Monday 5th Feb from 8.15-8.50am we will be holding pre-season winter sports training sessions for Year 6-8 students at school. The sessions will be focusing on building individual fitness and core muscle strengthening; developing agility, coordination and team spirit.

The pre-season training days will be Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you have any queries please make contact with either Mr Baden Cameron or Mrs Michelle Cameron.

All sessions will be held at school unless otherwise notified.

#### STUDENT RECORD UPDATE FORMS

To ensure our school records are up to date our teachers will be asking you to check the details we have and update them if necessary at the Goal Setting Conferences in Week 3.

#### 2018 Term Dates

Term 1 30th January—13th April

Term 2 30th April—6th July

Term 3 23rd July—28th September

Term 4 15th October—14th December

#### FREE SCHOOL APP

Download from your app store the school app to receive notifications, copies of newsletters and any messages regarding practice, game or event postponements or cancellations.

WAITANGI DAY TUESDAY 6th FEBRUARY SCHOOL CLOSED.

## BREAKFAST CLUB ALL WELCOME

Thanks to Fonterra's Kick
Start initiative we are able to provide
breakfast at school. Breakfast is served
every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
@ James Cook School Hall from 8.15am.

Breakfast Club will start on the **13th February from 8.15am**.

This Term Breakfast Club will be hosted by Room 1 who is currently using the hall space as a classroom.



