## Newsletter 1 15th February 2019

TE TAU O AROHANU

# UP COMING EVENTS

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Ka mihi nui āhau ki a koutou

The year of Great-

LOVE

katoa; me ūhia mai te korowai o AROHANUI ki a koutou, (Greetings to you all; let the cloak of great Love wrap around you)

I would like to welcome back all returning students and their whānau. Thank you for the privilege of allowing us to grow stronger connections with you and your young ones. To the new whānau who have come into the fold, Nau mai, haere mai. Thank you for the allowing us to walk alongside you during your child's primary schooling.

Amongst our new comers are two teachers, Mrs Hilary Allen and Mr Matthew Bell. Those of you who attended our Twilight Cricket and Kai evening last Friday or have children in Room 1 or Room 7 may already have met our new teachers. I hope so. We are very privileged to have Mrs Allen and Mr Bell join us. They are experienced teachers with a heart for young ones and a desire to encourage them to be the best they can be and thrive.

Although they have only been with us for a short period of time, they belong. This is a wonderful testament to all our staff, students and you whānau for ensuring Mrs Allen and Mr Bell are welcomed, supported and encouraged to plant their roots. The proverb 'He waka eke noa'- A canoe which we are all in with no exception—united with one purpose rings true.

Whānau you can be assured our choice is to love our tamariki and commit to ensuring they thrive with excellence as effective communicators, community connected, R.I.C.H.E.R young people.



Michelle Cameron Principal

Term 1

<u>Fruit in Schools</u> Deliveries started 12th February.

<u>Goal Setting Conferences</u> Tuesday 19th February Wednesday 20th February and Thursday 21st February.

<u>Pre-Season Sports Training</u> Starting Week 4. More information to come.

#### Swimming Demonstrations

Rooms 1,3,5&6 11-12pm @ Marton Pools on Monday 25th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th February.

Rooms 2,4,7,8&9 @ school pool during Week 5. A note with the date and time will come home closer to the time.

#### Dance Crew

Open session Thursday 7th March 3pm in school hall.

#### **Cluster Sports Events**

Swimming 21st March at Marton Pool. Athletics Week 8 in Hunterville (date to be confirmed).

Hot Cross Bun Making Week 10.

# AROUND THE SCHOOL

### **Goal Setting Conferences**

Goal Setting Parent/Child and Teacher Conferences are being held on Tuesday 19th February, Wednesday 20th February and Thursday 21st February.

The aim of the conferences are...

- To update student details to ensure we have the correct information for your child.
- 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 2018 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).

The confirmation notice for Conference times was sent home with the eldest child from each family on Thursday 14th February 2019. We look forward to seeing you all next week at the Conferences.

On the Conference days all students will go home at 12pm. The students from Rooms 1, 3,5,6 involved in swimming at Marton Pools will be dismissed on their arrival back to school between12.15pm and 12.30pm.

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.

### **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, 4, 7, 8 and 9 are held at school. Lessons for Rooms 1, 3, 5 and 6 are held at Marton Pool and in our school pool.

This year pool entry and transport to and from the Marton Pool has been

kindly covered by the Rangitikei District Council and our Board of Trustees. We believe swimming and water safety are vital life skills for all to learn. Thank you whānau for partnering with us to build our tamariki knowledge and Kaitiaki respect for our water environments.

Swimming demonstrations for whānau to celebrate the swimming progress students have made will be held in Weeks 4 and 5 of this term.



Open Dance Crew sessions will start Thursday 7th 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



# AROUND THE SCHOOL

### PRE-SEASON WINTER SPORTS TRAINING

Pre-season sports training for all Year 4-8 students interested in playing sport for school will start in Week 4. More detail will be sent home and put up on the app next week (Week 3).

The pre-season training sessions will be focusing on building individual fitness and core muscle strengthening; developing agility, coordination and team spirit.

The pre-season training sessions are important to help prevent injury.

All sessions will be held at school unless otherwise notified.

If you have any queries please make contact with either Mr Baden Cameron or Mrs Michelle Cameron.

### 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 next week.

### 2019 Term Dates

Term 1 4th February—12th April Term 2 29th April—5th July Term 3 22rd July—27th September Term 4 14th October—16th December

### 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.

## 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.

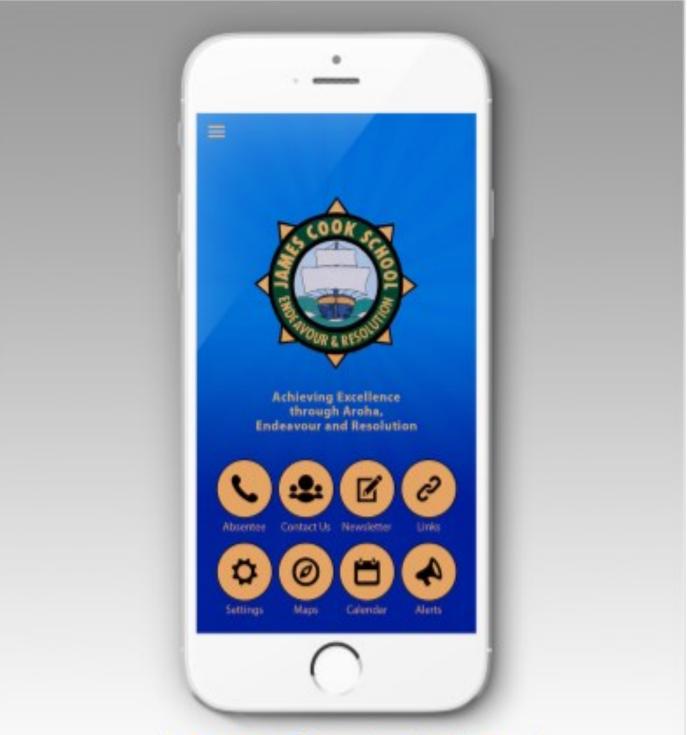
Breakfast Club will start on the **26th** February from **8.15am**.

This term Breakfast Club will be hosted by student volunteers.

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

# COMMUNITY NEWS





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