



EVERGLADE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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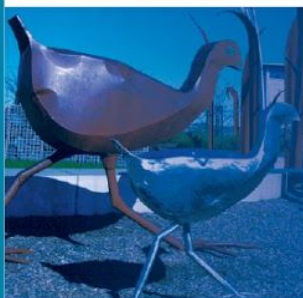
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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

It's hard to believe that a whole term has passed. School life has been busy, as always, and the speed of life reminds us that we should take stock at regular intervals, and see if we are where we want to be. This certainly applies at school, where we endorse the motto that 'every day counts.'

This week we also saw our Garden Project come to life. This was a big undertaking, which involved a number of people and groups. You can read more about this inside.

Note that **school will finish at the normal time of 3.00 pm** this Friday.



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Did you get the Text Alert last Friday?

The test message was sent out on our 'alert system' last Friday at 11.30 am. It had the words 'System Test from Everglade School - DO NOT REPLY.' If you have given us your current mobile phone number, and did not get this message, please let the office know (262 0244.)



In our modern world, one thing that has been recognised is that children are 'losing touch' with the natural world. Food is seen as coming from supermarkets or shops, and processed food is seen as a norm, rather than a 'created' food. The Garden Project that we are now part of is an attempt to help children reconnect with the natural world, and the process of growing food.

Yesterday a large group of people worked hard to set up a garden area in the space behind Rooms 10 and 11. Due to their amazing input, we are now under way in setting up our Everglade Garden Area.

Special thanks to our wonderful helpers:

OKE Trust, Z Stations, Visiting Interns from America, Manurewa High School Trade Academy staff and students.

Sharni Truman - Everglade Parent

Nazrul Azeem - Everglade Grandparent



A special Thanks to Judith Roberts for organizing this project!

Our next School Assembly is being held tomorrow (Thursday) 11 April at 1.45 pm.

All are welcome

Terms and Dates for 2019:

Term One will end on Friday 12 April

Term Two: Monday 29 April to Friday 05 July

Term Three: Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September

Term Four: Monday 14 October to Wednesday 18 December



Poppies for sale at the office, Gold coin donation

From time to time, we have a situation at school where students get really wet (especially in Winter), or our younger students may have a toileting accident. We have found that our supply of little people's underwear is almost gone. If anyone would like to donate some little sized underwear (both girls and boys) sized 4-6 yrs, it would be very much appreciated. Please drop off to the school office.

Writers' Piece

We thank Room 1 for their contribution to this week's edition.

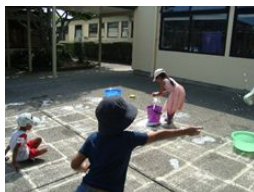
I liked the Splash Day.
I liked the sponges.
I got one in the bucket.
Amaan

I can splash water on people.
We ran on the grass so fast.
We blew bubbles.
We popped the bubbles with a stick.
Kaelan



I wet my friend with bubbles.
They wet me.
It was fun.
Delancy

My water gun has three shooters.
I sprayed Adiva and Zaheer.
It was fun.
Lesharo



We have a large amount of **School second hand sweatshirts** available for \$5 each at the School Office if you wish to purchase.

Staff Changes

Mrs Cave leaves Everglade School this Friday after more than twelve years as Assistant Principal. In this time, Mrs Cave has been involved in many initiatives and programmes that have benefited our young learners, and leaves in the knowledge that she has made a positive impact on many lives. We wish you well in the future, Wendy.

We have had to make some changes as a result of Mrs Cave's departure. These are as follows:

- Miss Naidoo, Room 15 teacher and Team Leader of Manuka Team, will take up the Assistant Principal role for the rest of 2019.
- Mrs Pillay (Room 13) will become the Team Leader for Manuka Team.
- Due to much lower Year One numbers this year, we will disestablish Room 4 and re-assign these pupils to other Year 1 classes (Rooms 1-3.)
- Miss Gahunia (currently Room 4 teacher) will move to take up the teaching of Room 15 for the rest of the year.

We are confident that these decisions will work in the best interests of all pupils affected by this situation, and look forward to continued positive outcomes for our learners as the year continues.

BBQ this Friday, check tomorrow's notice.

Next newsletter: Wednesday 01 May

Regards,

John Robinson
Principal

