



EVERGLADE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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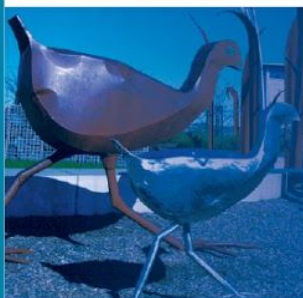
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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

After many weeks of preparing, practising and rehearsing, we were thrilled to present our Musical-Drama production, Let Loose, on three occasions last week.

Our performers did a magnificent job, as did the Choir. Thanks also go to the organising team, who made sure that everyone was primed and ready for each performance.

Thank you for your support of the Production, both in enabling your children to be here each time, and in attending one of the performances. It was certainly a memorable experience.



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Each year Everglade School enrolls a small number of **children who live outside our enrolment zone**. This is restricted to five year old children who have not attended school before.

Applications for Out of Zone enrolment close on Tuesday 16 October. This covers enrolments up to the end of 2019, so even if a child is just four years old, the application must be received by 16 October.

Please note that even if you have older children attending Everglade School, you must still apply for the younger child.

Out of Zone application forms can be got by contacting the Office and requesting a form, which will be e-mailed to you. Alternatively, you can collect one from the Office.

If you know of a person who lives out of zone, has a child approaching age five, and is wanting to enrol them at Everglade School, please let them know of the closing date.



Congratulations to our **Year 5-6 Basketball team**, who took part in the Manurewa School tournament last week. They finished as winners of Division B, which was a very commendable result.

Well done to: Baeley Manupenu, Bailey Tupu Tuia, Fereti Baice, Johnson Le, Joshua Godkin, Payton Gifford, Salesi Finau, Toby Browne and Vincent Le. Congratulations also to Mr Muirhead and Mrs Gifford.

BYOD

Heads up for parents/caregivers/whanau of children in this year's Kawakawa Team (Rms 9, 10 & 11):

On **Wednesday 31st of October** (Week 3 of next term), we will be holding a parent orientation session for the 2019 BYOD Programme that we run from Years 4-6 (Bring Your Own Device). This session will be held in Rm 22 at 3:15pm. It will be a really valuable session for the parents/caregivers of next year's Totara Team, so they can learn all about how our BYOD programme runs, see examples of student's work, and most importantly, ask any questions they may have about BYOD in general.

More information will come out early next term. For now, you can lock the date and time on your calendars.

Barbecue this Friday!

Barbecue lunch this Friday. Order in classes.

Sausages \$1.50

Samosas \$1.50

Donuts \$1.50



We have set this week as our school-wide **Maori Language Week**. Classes are working together on different learning activities.

All classes have been working hard with their tuakana / teina class learning and celebrating Te wiki o te reo Maori. We invite you to come along and celebrate the end of our Maori language week with us in a special hui. This will be held in the hall on **Friday @ 9:30am**.

As part of the Cook Island Language week, **Room 18** made an effort to understand facts about the Islands. We researched, understood and wrote about the different aspects of the Cook Island.

Geography

The Cook Islands are made up of 15 major Islands located in the continent of Oceania. The Islands are divided into 2 groups, the southern island and the northern island. The southern island is made up of 9 islands while the northern island is made up of 6. These Islands are what make the 15 major Islands in Rarotonga. The Cook Islands is about 1 half of the way from Hawaii to NZ, so it would take less than 4 hours to get to Rarotonga from NZ. The Cook Islands are in the South Pacific Ocean, between French Polynesia and American Samoa. The capital, Rarotonga is about 1,870 miles. The Cook Islands covers 236.7 km of area but the total land area of the country is 91.4 square miles. The island stands 14,750 feet which is also known as 4500m above the ocean floor.

Ariel and Haohan

The Cook Island Flag

The Cook Island Flag is officially known as the Cook Island ensign. It contains the Union Jack in the upper left and on the right 15 stars in a ring. A symbol meaning trust and dedication. The stars represent 15 islands that make up the Cook Island. From 1973-1979 the Flag was green with the stars coloured yellow. The green colour showed the never ending development and life of the islands. The yellow showed the love, trust, pleasure, and dedication proven by the islanders. The white stars indicate trust in god and the equal rights of the 15 islands. The blue represents the ocean and peaceful nature of the inhabitants. The Union Jack indicates the historical association with and membership of the British commonwealth.

Hemadri and Tashlyn

Flora and Fauna

The lush vegetation of the high islands includes creepers, ferns, and tall trees in the interior, while coconuts, bananas, and grapefruit grow on the coast. Avocados and papayas are so abundant that the locals feed them to their pigs. On the elevated atolls the vegetation in the fertile volcanic centre contrasts brusquely with that of the infertile limestone makatea. Taro and yams are subsistence crops. The au is a native yellow-flowered hibiscus. The flower of this all-purpose plant is used for medicine, the leaves to cover the umu (earth oven), the fibre for skirts, reef sandals, and rope, and the branches for walling native cottages on outer islands. In November and March, the flamboyant trees bloom red.

Lia and Coral-lee

Music

Cook Islanders play Christian music and it is very popular.

Drumming in Cook Island is very popular and they don't drum on normal drums, they use a mat. Cook Islanders sing wedding and funeral music and they do hymns.

When Cook Islanders dance and sing they put on leaves on their necks and on their wrists. Cook Islanders start from a small age to start drumming and keep on learning and getting better until they're professionals. Cook Islanders use instruments such as ukeleles and drums and shakers.

Cody

As we approach the end of the term, I would like to thank our families for your support of Everglade School. Achievement at school is a result of the child, the teacher and the parents all focussing on next goals and knowing how and when they have achieved them. We appreciate your support for your child as they continue their schooling.

Term Three ends this Friday 28 September. Classes will finish at the normal time of 3.00 pm.

Term Four begins On Monday 15 October

Term Four ends on Thursday 20 December

Next newsletter: Wednesday 17 October 2018

Regards,

John Robinson

Principal