



MIMI SCHOOL

"WHERE THE COUNTRY, COAST, AND CLASSROOM MEET"

15 March 2017

Surfing

The seniors are travelling to Fitzroy Beach tomorrow for their Surfing with Daisy Day. We will be leaving school as close to 9am as possible.

Beach Day

Totara class will have a day at the beach tomorrow also. They will travel down to Blyde's bach at 9am and return to school by 3pm.

Lucky Bookclub

Lucky Bookclub Issue 2 is out now. Please order by **Friday, 24th March**. You can also order online at www.mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz. If paying by cheque, please make it out to Scholastics New Zealand.

Swimming Pool

Our pool will close for the (unfortunately very short) summer season this **Friday, 17th March**. Please return the pool key to the school office to receive a \$5 reimbursement.

Afternoon Tea for Mr B.

Andrew's last day is this **Friday, 17th March**. We will be having a shared afternoon tea at **2:30pm** to farewell him. Please bring a plate to share and come along to say good-bye to Mr B.



BACK TO SCHOOL Road Safety Tips

School gates are busy places.

- Drive slowly near the school. Children can be unpredictable so be prepared for the unexpected.
- Do not stop or park on yellow lines – they are there to protect your children.
- Take care to look for cyclists before opening your door.
- Always make sure your child exits onto the footpath.
- Never wave or call to your child from across the road.



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From the Principal's Office

As most of you will know I will finish up as principal here at Mimi School on Friday to take up a teaching role at Inglewood Primary School. While I'm genuinely saddened to be leaving, I am also looking forward to be able to pass the baton on to the next person who will lead the school into the next stage of the race.

It has been a privilege to have worked with such a wonderful staff. Our support staff and teachers have been keen to go the extra mile and provide a rounded education for your children. So thank you to all the staff who have helped to make this school a special place.

I would also like to thank the parents and families. Your support has been appreciated and is why we have a successful school on lots of different levels.

And I can't forget your wonderful children. If I could I would list them all. Your children are generally so willing, engaged, friendly and keen to participate in all areas of learning.

In simple terms being principal is like being a caretaker. In terms of a caretaker I see the principal's role as 'caring and taking' the school on a journey with the intention of passing the metaphorical baton to the next caretaker to do the same. I think with the support of many within the school and community we have moved the school forward, and made different connections within the wider community. I am proud to have been part of groups and teams that have made a collective difference for Mimi School, the students and the community.

I wish the children, the staff, the incoming principal, the Board of Trustees and the wider community every

success in the future. I am thankful for the opportunities the school has afforded me.

Andrew Birchler

Students of the week

Last week the Student of the Week Awards went to:

Rimu Room:

Jessica Woods for being a pleasure to have in the Rimu Room and at Mimi School. We wish you all the best at your new school and will miss you here at Mimi!



Matai Room:

James Hill for always paying attention and actively listening during class discussions.



Totara Room:

Ceejay Hill for always showing great enthusiasm for his learning as well as earning a silver in Mathematics.



Well done, kids, keep up the great work!

Absences

If your child is absent from school, please make sure you let the school office know before 9am.

Waitara High School Quiz Night

Friday, 17th March 7pm

Hockey Fundraiser, max of 6 people per team at \$10 per person. Come along and test your knowledge for a fun evening at Waitara High School Hall.

Contact Diane or Scott on 7523773 to book a team.

Picnic @ the Pa - Colouring Competition

Students are invited to enter the Ngati Mutunga Colouring Competition. To win prizes, bring the coloured in picture along to Picnic @ the Pa on **Wednesday, 25th March** from 3pm-6pm at Urenui Pa.

Primary Schools Golf Day

At Waitara Golf Club on **Thursday, 23rd March** for year 5/6 students, played over 9 holes and aimed at giving girls and boys a fun approach to the game.

Please let the school office know if your child is interested and we can register them.

Lost Property

If you are missing any items of clothing from the Tainui Swim Sports event last Friday, please come and have a look at the lost property photos in the school office.

TERM 1 CALENDAR

***SURFING (Seniors)** *Thur 16 Mar*

***BEACH DAY (Juniors)** *Thur 16 Mar*

**AFTERNOON TEA
for MR B** *Fri 17 Mar*

***WEETBIX TRYATHLON** *Wed 29 Mar*

***TAINUI TABLOIDS** *Fri 31 Mar*

***EPRO CHALLENGE** *Thur 6 Apr*

***SCIENCE ROADSHOW** *Thur 6 Apr*

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS *Sun 2 Apr*

TERM 1 ENDS *Thur 13 Apr*

GOOD FRIDAY *Fri 14 Apr*

EASTER MONDAY *Mon 17 Apr*

TERM 2 STARTS *Mon 1 May*

* Trips out of school grounds,
(transport may be needed)

Please contact Andrew or Sibylle at school for further information.

Lunch Orders

Here's the roster for lunch order pickups for the next few weeks:

Friday, 17th March: Maire Gill
Friday, 24th March: Ashleigh Jury