



Kia Ora e te whānau,

This week sees the term come to a close. It has been a magnificent term full of exciting events, achievements and memories. Congratulations to all of the children who have competed at sports, made significant progress in their academics, increased their attendance or all of the above.

Term 2 sees the school sunhats go back into the cupboards and the school jumpers come out. A reminder that at the change of season there is a lot of illness. If your children are suffering from an illness, please make arrangements for them to stay at home. Children who have been vomiting or have had diarrhoea need to be at home for 48 hours until they can return to school.

There is a lot of communication in the media currently around the healthy school lunches scheme. Our school is one of the lucky schools in the country to receive the school lunches. We get fabulous lunches provided each day by Pita Pit Whanganui. The children receive 3 hot lunches and 2 cold lunches every week. If your child is signed up for the lunches in school they are expected to eat them or at least make a good effort to eat the lunches. Please have a conversation with your children about the lunches. If they are not enjoying the lunches then they will need to opt out of the scheme and bring lunch from home. We are doing our best to try and minimise the waste that we have so please keep the communication flowing.

Finally. this week I would like to mention the changes to the bus run that the Ministry of Education are proposing. They are considering merging our two bus runs into one run. This change is supposed to take effect from Term 3. We are trying to challenge this, but dealing with the transport department at the Ministry of Education is tricky, as they make changes without consultation and don't want to listen when the feedback comes back. We will be doing everything within our power to reverse the decision and more information to the affected parents will come out next term. Please challenge our local MP for his support in reversing these changes.

Have a wonderful holiday break.

Tim Marriott

## Term 1

Fri 12 April - Sports Assembly - 2.15pm start

- End of term

Mon 29 April - Term two starts

We are looking forward to welcoming our new teacher Samantha Odendal next term.

## About me:

I have been a Primary School teacher for over 10 years. We are a family of four with two boys, named Logan (8) and Declan (6). We currently live on a farm in South Africa and really enjoy being in nature, growing our own fruits and veggies and being surrounded by animals. We also enjoy traveling, camping, and living an active lifestyle. We are very excited about our big move to New Zealand, and I can't wait to meet my students and new colleagues. See you soon!



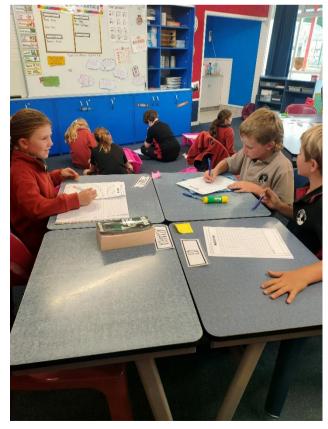
ANZAC Service – Thursday 25 April
 With ANZAC being in the school holidays. This is just a reminder that we would like to see our students attend the service at the Community Centre at
 9.00a.m. We would like students attending to please be in school uniform.

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## Each week one class will be sharing photos of their learning & activities. Check out Kowhai Hub







## A successful and wonderful day enjoyed by everyone





