

Tena koutou, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Fakalofa lahi atu, Bula vinaka, Ciao, Namaste, Al Salaam a'alaykum, Ni hao, Merhaba, Konnichiwa, Hola, Annyong hasayo, Greetings



Balmoral School Newsletter

Te Kura o te Roto a Rangi

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Vision

To value diversity and to develop curious, confident and connected learners.

Thursday 29 March 2018

Primary Dates to Diary

Easter Holidays	Friday 30 March to Tuesday 3 April
PTA Balmoral School Triathlon	Sunday 8 April School Field 8am
Hiringa EOTC	Tuesday 10,11,12 April
Primary Assembly	Friday 13 April 9.15am
End of Term 1	Friday 13 April 3pm
Term 2 begins	Monday 30 April
Whakatau for new students	Tuesday 1 May 9.30am
PTA Balmoral Comedy Club	Saturday 5 May Mt Albert War Memorial Hall 6.30pm - Midnight

Primary Whanau Blogs

Koru	http://korusharingspace.blogspot.co.nz/
Mahira	http://mahirasyndicate.blogspot.co.nz/
Whetu	http://fabulouswhetu.blogspot.co.nz/
Hiringa	https://hiringabalmoral.blogspot.co.nz/

Canteen Days **Wednesday, Thursday, Friday only**

Please check the calendar on our school website (www.balmoral.school.nz) for up-to-date events and times

Tena koutou e te whanau, he mihi nui kia koutou katoa

Dear Parents, Whānau and Caregivers

Many thanks to the 611 parents who attended 905 conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. These conferences are designed to ensure that our pupils can share their learning with you and our staff in a supportive environment. We also want our students to understand that learning is a big part of everyone's life, no matter what age and to develop an awareness of the extent to which they are owners of their learning,

Recently I came across this quote from Papert (1998): *'the model that says learn while you're at school, while you're young, the skills that you will apply during your lifetime is no longer tenable. The skills that you can learn when you're at school will not be applicable. They will be obsolete by the time you get into the workplace and need them, except for one skill. The one really competitive skill is the skill of being able to learn. It is the skill of being able not to give the right answer to questions about what you were taught in school, but to make the right response to situations that are outside the scope of what you were taught in school. We need to produce people who know how to act when they're faced with situations for which they were not specifically prepared.'*

Learning how to learn and being able to communicate this learning is an important part of being a self-directed learner at our school. These conferences are one way we can help reinforce this ideal.

Kia pai to mutunga wiki (Have a good weekend)

Naku noa

Malcolm Milner

Principal (Te Tumuaki)

2019 Term Dates

Term One:	Monday 4 February - Friday 12 April
Term Two:	Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July
Term Three:	Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September
Term Four:	Monday 14 October - Thursday 19 December

2019 Public Holidays:

Waitangi Day	Wednesday 6 February
Good Friday	Friday 19 April
Easter Monday	Monday 22 April
Easter Tuesday	Tuesday 23 April
Anzac Day	Thursday 25 April
Queen's Birthday	Monday 3 June
Labour Day	Monday 28 October

News from the Primary School

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Kia ora e te Whānau o Te Roto a Rangi,

The Primary Team would like to reiterate Malcolm's thanks to those parents who attended a conference this week. Your children were excited to share their learning with you – we know how important home-school links are, and this is another way that we can reinforce this with our students.

As we approach a long weekend we thought an article on the importance of being bored might be an interesting read! [Click here to read](https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/nurturing-resilience/201206/let-kids-be-bored-occasionally), or copy the following url into your browser:

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Have a lovely Easter weekend and see you all on Wednesday 4th April.

Ngā mihi

Katy and the Primary Team

School Council

The Easter fundraising event raised almost \$200 for Starship. Thank you to everyone who made a contribution.

Congratulations to the winners of the drawing competition...we hope you enjoy your prize.

Have a lovely Easter weekend!

The Primary School Councillors



**The great Balmoral School Triathlon
Sunday 8 April 2018!**



CALLING ALL LATE ENTRIES!

We've reactivated the online booking form for registration only (no t-shirts). **Final cut off for all entries will be Wednesday 4th April at 10pm. There can be no on-the-day entries.**

Register online now: <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2018/balmoral-triathlon-2018/auckland/balmoral>.

Join your mates for a fun morning of getting out there and giving it a go! There are race categories to suit all ages and abilities and the feel-good factor on the day is through the roof! Just ask last year's winners (pictured above).

Spot prizes up for grabs, you've got to be entered to go in the draw!
There will be food and coffee available for purchase and goodies for all participants as they cross the finish line. Come join the fun!

Entry is \$25. Any questions, please contact:
balmoralschooltriathlon@gmail.com



Back for a second hilarious year, The Balmoral School PTA present...

THE BALMORAL COMEDY CLUB

Thanks to The Classic Comedy Club

Saturday 5th May, 2018

Featuring international and local comedians from the 2018 NZ International Comedy Festival

Including....Lloyd Langford (Wales), Marcel Lucont (France), Andrew Maxwell (Ireland), Rhys Mathewson (NZL) and more...

2 hour live show and DJ to follow

Fully seated and licensed comedy club style

TICKETS \$55 pp

ON SALE at 8.30am - Monday 9th April

Purchase at the school office or by emailing on the day steph.vercoe@gmail.com

Get your table of 10 together and be ready to book - this event sold out last year!

THE BALMORAL COMEDY CLUB

Saturday 5th May

6:30pm – 11.30pm

Mt Albert War Memorial Hall

If you can help by donating anything for this incredible event, we'd love to hear from you. We're looking for helpers on the night and contributions for raffles and drinks etc. Please contact steph.vercoe@gmail.com

Sponsorship for this event has become available. If you / your company would like to be part of this excellent event, featuring world class comedians, please contact Anna.morton@xtra.co.nz

Community Notices

Grammar Windsor Hockey Club is lovely local hockey club. If you have a son or daughter keen to try hockey get in touch with them. Uniforms provided with subs and it is very well run. Register interest here. Season starts in term 2 and runs till the end of term 3. <https://www.grammarwindsor.org.nz/#junior>

THREE KINGS UNITED FOOTBALL

OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 14TH APRIL



FREE FUN FOOTBALL | FOOD | FUN

5th & 6th Grade 8.45am - 9.45am

7th & 8th Grade 10.15am - 11.15am

9th Grade 11.30am - 12.30pm

Players will be mixed up into teams on the day, based on age & gender.

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PLAY JUNIOR RUGBY

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RUGBY CLUB



REGISTER ONLINE NOW!
edenrugby.co.nz

EDEN RUGBY



TACKLE PLAYERS MUST WEIGH IN
Sat 3rd and Sat 10th March 1-4pm
Eden Rugby Clubrooms - Gribblehirst Park

AFTER SCHOOL SESSIONS
WEEKEND SESSIONS
VIRTUAL SESSIONS
PARENT CHILD SESSIONS

MINECRAFT
ANDROID
GRAPHICS DESIGN
3D PRINTING
PYTHON
HTML/CSS
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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

APRIL 16-27, 2018



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