

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
PRIMARY + INTERMEDIATE

Balmoral Primary

Te Kura o te Roto a Rangi

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Vision

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

Friday 30th November 2018

Primary Dates to Diary

Primary Xmas Disco	Tuesday 4 December
Mahira Athletics	Thursday 6 December 9.15am
Primary Picnic	Friday 7 December – Cornwall Park
Koru Fun Athletics	Monday 10 December 9.15am
Canteen Closes for the year	Friday 7 December – last day
Year Six Poroporoaki	Tuesday 11 December 9am – 10.40am
Year Six Pool Party	Tuesday 11 December 5 – 6.30pm
School closes for the year	Friday 14 December 1pm

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 **Closes 7 December**
Reopens Wednesday 13 February

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

At this time of the year there are a variety of events happening at school ranging from prize-giving through to school discos. You can keep up to date with events through accessing our school website

Kia pai tō rā whakatā (Have a good weekend)

Naku noa

Malcolm Milner

Principal (Te Tumuaki)

Staff Changes

This week the BoT received a resignation from Lesley Payne. Lesley has won a position in Nelson and will be moving down to the South Island in the New Year. The Board wishes Lesley all the best for the move south.

We are now recruiting a teacher to fill this vacancy from the start of 2019.

New Build

Next Friday we need to be out of the Intermediate classrooms so that Rooms 1-10 can be demolished before Christmas. This will enable our builders to begin construction of the new 12 classroom intermediate block and the gymnasium early in the new year.

Next week, we will begin moving all classrooms into their spaces for 2019. This is a complex process as we have to relocate approximately 1000 people. Let's hope we have the weather on our side.

The current plan does have most of the intermediate rooms in the Shires. The New Entrants will stay where they are but all other year groups will move. We hope to have everyone moved by 3pm on Friday.

News from the Primary School

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Kia ora e te whānau o Te Roto a Rangi

As the year comes to end, there is still plenty of activity at school. We have the junior school athletics days, the Fia Fia night, whānau whetu's dance, the school picnic and the Year 6 Poroporaki still to look forward to!

We've had a wonderful year of learning and it has been great to see our students questioning and wondering – they really are continuing to develop their confidence and curiosity. There is so much to reflect on this year and we would like to thank you for the continued support and contribution that you make to our school whānau.

We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events to round the year off!

Kia pai to mutunga wiki (Have a good weekend)

Ngā mihi

Katy and the Primary Team

Arrrrrr! Over the last couple of weeks, Room 12 have been fascinated with pirates. We have been reading pirate stories and poems, drawing pirates, making pirate boats and costumes, and writing pirate poems and stories. Here's some of our wonderful work.

My Pirate Adventure

Once I was at the beach, when I saw a pirate ship. They asked me if I wanted to join and I said, "yes", because I love pirates so much. Then they said, "OK". I was so excited to join.

Lagitau Setoga-Tuala

Captain Golden Dragon

Captain Golden Dragon has a sea blue coat with gold buttons and in his mouth he has one golden tooth. He is a boy and he is fearless and he is tough. He buries his treasure in haunted castles, guarded by fearsome beasts that won't back down. When people see this horrifying pirate, they run for their lives! Captain Golden Dragon has a pirate hat as black as one thousand midnights and he has a parrot that he named Squawk. Recently he won a fight against a village.

Blake Spalding

I ran away to be a pirate

I was having a wonderful time, building a sand castle on the beach, until I saw a pirate ship as big as a hotel! The pirates asked me to join the crew, I said yes. I threw the captain overboard, they let me be the new captain. We changed our boat's name from Fluff Bucket to Sea Wold Holystone. The crew is called Star Girl, Flower.co.nz and me!

Millie Tucker

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Millie Tucker

Captain Shark Skull

My pirate is gold and blue, his teeth are all gold too. His hat is gold with a shark on top, and shines like a golden sword. Anyway, he does have a golden sword! With spikes on the sides like razors. His ship is covered in booty, it carries millions of riches. His pets are a snake and a dragon who are named Deadly and Serpent.

Lachie Barbour

Tommy the Pirate

Tommy the Pirate is very angry.
You would not want to mess with
him. He will make you walk the
plank and he will destroy your ship.
Captain Tommy has a pet crocodile,
whose teeth would chomp off your
cannon!

Harrison McLennan

The Pirates of the Sea

Pirates fighting the ocean seas.
Fighting for their gold.

Yo ho ho!

Making the others walk the plank.

Some throwing their cutlasses

Blood on the deck!

The Jolly Roger swaying in the
wind.

Max Morris



News from the Eco Warriors

On the 29th of November the Eco Warriors and the Gardening Club went to the NZ Flower and Garden Show. There was a beehive and lots of upcycling creations that should encourage Balmoral School to reuse plastic. Our favourites were 'Appointment with Nature' and the big wall with holes in showing little fairy gardens with fairies. It was very creative and I wonder how long it took them to grow and build all those things. It was an amazing experience for us all.

By Nessa & Eliza
Room 29



Tuakana Teina – Garden to table with Shire 8 and Room 25

Whoever said kids don't like vegetables, clearly has never seen these kids from Shire 8 and room 25. As part of our Tuakana Teina time, we have been doing lots of different activities, and gardening has been one of these.

Of course it has been a process, from weeding, to planting seeds and seedlings, to watering and tending with worm juice and fertiliser. And then the waiting for the fruits our labour to be ready for harvesting.

We have harvested cauliflower, radishes, beetroot and kale. Joanne helped us turn these into tasty morsels, raw radishes and cauli, while cooking the kale into chips and the beetroot into delicious cupcakes.

We want to say a big thank you to Joanne Harland, a parent from Shire 8 for sharing her seeds of wisdom, and literally, plant seeds. It has been an amazing journey, and hopefully some students may be encouraged to grow their own produce at home....and eat more veges.



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The Auckland Libraries summer reading programme runs during the school holidays.

It's an adventure. Get ready for awesome challenges!

Start your summer voyage with Pukunui and his friends. Complete the fun-filled challenges to earn your stickers and a party invite.

- Collect stamps and stickers as you go and track your reading.
- Complete at least six challenges to get your invitation to the party.
- Do activities at home, on holiday, at the library, on the internet and with friends.
- You can visit other libraries around Auckland.

Not a member of Auckland Libraries? Don't worry - it's easy to join! Go online or talk to a friendly librarian to sign up.





Oh! Oh! Oh!

It's time to get ready for the Christmas Disco!

Tuesday 4th December 5-7pm



Remember to get yourself sorted for an incredible end of year send off with Balmoral School's **Christmas Disco on Tuesday 4th December, 5-7 pm.**

There are three things for you to do this weekend:

1. Sign up to help out at the event by responding to Friends of the PTA' roster request or emailing claudegalpin@gmail.com directly.
2. Purchase your Toys for Joy presents to help a family celebrate Christmas this year.
The more, the merrier!
3. Set the kitchen on fire by baking wonders for the baked goods' stall on Christmas Disco night.

For more details, check the flyer that went home with the kids earlier this week or read the email sent out by your Class Reps on Wednesday.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL ON TUESDAY NIGHT!



Christmas Tree

Order Form

It's that time of year again!

Get one up on the silly season by ordering your Christmas tree in advance.

Support the school this season & buy your Christmas Tree at a discounted rate!

Simply complete the form below and drop in to the PTA box in the office or e-mail:

* catherinehmevans@hotmail.co.nz

Orders must be received by
Wednesday 5th December

Pick up tree from school on
Saturday 8th December
11am-1pm

First in first served - pick your tree up early to ensure you get the size you want

Parent Name: Child's Name & Room Number

Mobile Number: E-mail:

Christmas Tree: \$50.00/tree (1.6m – 2.2m): x \$50.00 = \$.....

Stand: \$30.00/stand: x \$30.00 = \$.....

Payment: Cash Cheque Internet Banking (06-0145-0226748-00)
(circle one)

(If paying by internet banking please list child's name and room number in the reference)
PLEASE MAKE SURE THIS IS PAID IN TO THE PTA BANK ACCOUNT ABOVE AND NOT THE SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Dec 17th 2018 - 1st Feb 2019

Our Programmes:

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Are you planning on competing in next year's Weetbix Tryathlon? Have you thought about running it as part of a team? <https://tryathlon.co.nz/> We will be having a team represent our school at the Weetbix Tryathlon on 10th Feb 2019. You are invited to run as part of the school team. Swim, Cycle and run manageable distances, all while supported by your teammates from school.

On the day we will have the Balmoral school tent at the event, with parental support available. It will be a lovely day out for the whole family.

Register on your own or with a friend here:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=31836&G=68515>

Any questions call Louise Garbett 021468800
Balmoral Weetbix Tryathlon Parent CoOrdinator

Host Families needed for Mount Albert Grammar School

We are looking for kind and caring families to host international students arriving from the end of January 2019. These students are from Mexico, Europe, Japan, China, Vietnam and Thailand. The length of stay is from 1 term to a full year. Host families are reimbursed \$290 .00 per week.

For more information or to register your interest please email-

homestay@mags.school.nz or phone 8462044 extn 8123

School's out for Summer!

ACCREDITED HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES
BOYS & GIRLS | AGES 5 - 13 YEARS

DECEMBER

Monday 17 - Thursday 20 December 2018

JANUARY

Monday 7 - Friday 25 January 2019

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Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students
aged 5 – 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts
classes, concluding the week with a performance!

14 - 18 January 2019, 9 am – 4 pm daily

Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre,
Epsom Girls Grammar School

***View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz
or contact Hayley on either
artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 0800 667 469***

ARTZONSHOW.

THE **IMPROV**

DEC 2018 & JAN 2019

School Holiday Programme is Back!

Mt Eden War Memorial, 489 Dominion Rd, Mt Eden

Gretchen says: "Callum came home every day telling me he wished it would never end! FIVE STARS"

Carina says: "Ollie was really nervous at the start but was buzzing at the end of each day. He especially liked Nik the head teacher."

Miles says: "Our two girls loved the programme."



8 - 12 year olds

DECEMBER:

Mon 17th - Thurs 20th

JANUARY:

Mon 21st - Thurs 24th

9am - 3pm with a
6pm - 7pm performance
on Thursday

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