

June 10 Newsletter No. 13

A Word from the Principal



Kia Ora e te Whanau,

I am sure you were as pleased as I was to hear the Prime Minister's announcement about moving to Alert Level 1. As I mentioned in last week's newsletter, it has been great to see the students increased independence in walking into school, unpacking their bags and preparing for the day. To continue to encourage this independence from our students, we will continue to have teachers on duty before school at the Somme Street and Rutland Street entrance.

School Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews:

Due to Covid-19 and teacher's limited face to face time, the school will not be sending home Mid-Year School Reports. Teachers will have classroom release time over the next few weeks to assess children, and identify strengths and next steps.

Although, we will not be sending home Mid-Year Reports, we will be having Parent Teacher Interviews to share your child's learning progress with you. The Parent Teacher Interviews are planned for Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 June. In previous years, the school has closed early for Parent Teacher Interviews. I have decided to begin our interviews after 3pm to help parents as they return to work and to also limit childcare. Please return your form asap.

Please remember that if your child is unwell and not attending school please contact the office either by phone or email. The Skool Loop app also has a feature that allows you to enter your absenteeism, and the school is emailed. If parents can please let the office know of absenteeism by 9:30am.

Recently, we have been inundated with enquiries regarding enrolments. If you have a child starting school in either 2021 or 2022, please contact Jenni in the Office so we can ensure we have your child's name on our enrolment list. We have a maximum school roll of 110 students.

Please download the Skool Loop App and Like and Follow the School Facebook Page.

Kind regards,

Abraham Atherton (Principal – Tumuaki)

Free Firewood



This can be collected from the Somme St school entrance.

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Enrolments for 2021

As we are looking at our numbers for next year, we would like to invite you to complete the pre-enrolment form for those families with children turning 5 years old in 2021. These forms can be located in the school office.

Term Dates: 2020

Term 2:

Wednesday 15 April – Friday 3 July **Term 3:**

Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September **Term 4:**

Monday 12 October – Tuesday 15 December



We are supporting contact tracing by having QR code posters at our entrances – so if you haven't already downloaded the NZ COVID Tracer app the Ministry of Health's NZ-COVID Tracer app page has information to help you do that.

School Accounts:

The School Donations are \$140 per child, and this can be paid via Internet Banking:

The voluntary contribution assists in the payment of various events and resources at St Albans Catholic School. To effectively run the school and provide quality learning outside the classroom these voluntary contributions are important.

St Albans Catholic School Westpac Account number:

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School Photos

Friday 19 June

Please ensure your child is wearing correct winter uniform.

Girls Winter Uniform:

Pinafore, plain, long sleeved, white collared shirt or white skivvy, villa blue woollen jersey, navy blue tights or long navy socks, blue or black school shoes.

Boys Winter Uniform:

Grey woollen shorts, navy blue skivvy or grey shirt, villa blue woollen jersey, grey socks with two blue bands, black school shoes.

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PREFERENCE FORM SIGNING:

Fr Rick will be at St Albans Catholic School on Friday 12 June at 3pm to sign Preference Forms. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate with you. If you have any children beginning school this year or 2021, please ensure you make one of the Friday meetings for the priest to meet with you.



Congratulations to the following students:

	Class Awards
Room 1	Chloe
Room 2	Ethan
Room 3	Rocco
Room 4	<mark>Maddy</mark>
Room 5	Morgan
Principal's Award	Rylee
	Winston

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PTA News:

SECOND HAND WINTER UNIFORMS

If you need anything for your children we have stocks of most items for girls and boys in varying sizes including jerseys. Please contact Eliza directly (alfred.eliza@xtra.co.nz) with your needs. If you have any tidy uniform items your children have grown out of these can be donated to the school. Please contact Eliza to arrange pick up/drop off.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

There will be **no Sausage Sizzle** for the rest of this term.

LADIES' NIGHT:

New date to be confirmed.

ASB CHILDREN'S BANKING:

We will no longer be offering ASB Children's Banking.

VILLA MARIA ENROLMENTS FOR 2021

The closing date for applications to Villa Maria College for 2021, on Friday 26 June.

As we are unable to host a traditional Open Day this year, we invite prospective families to take a look at our website: http://www.villa.school.nz/new-parents/enrolment/ Here's where you'll find all you need to know about enrolment at Villa Maria College. You'll find our application form, links to our Prospectus and Villa Virtual Tour, as well as some Frequently Asked Questions — all designed to give you a taste of Villa life and what to expect. The Frequently Asked Questions are the very questions new students often ask us on Open Day, so we've collated them all here in one place.

Our students have also made some videos to help new students understand the opportunities available to them, and what to expect when they first start here at the College:

https://youtu.be/raUaO9RA5UU

Are you coming to Villa next year? It's normal to feel a little nervous! Here, some of our students talk about their first day at Villa and ways we help you settle in and

https://youtu.be/DsaQS58gg5o

Hear from our 2020 Year 13 leaders about Villa life, and what you can expect when you come to Villa next year.

Applications must be received by the College by Friday 26 June 2020.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs Jane Holt: email villa@villa.school.nz or phone 348 4165.

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