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# Newsletter 5 Term I, Week IO 2022

## **Principal's Message**

Dear Rosebank Community,

A reminder that school finishes for the end of Term 1, at 1pm on Thursday April 14. This term has felt a lot longer than 11 weeks, with COVID playing a major role in this. I am hoping that from Term 2 we can all get back to some sort of normality (whatever that may look like) and all students and staff are past the worst of this outbreak!

School building projects have taken up a lot of my time recently as well, with the Te Whānau o Patiki rebuild underway, a sound box being built at the back of the hall, the designs for a full canopy over the current netball court sorted and other necessary signage etc going up - all to continue lifting the profile of the school and making it a better place for each and every student here. The next building project will be the transformation of Rooms 7 and 8.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable and safe Easter break - enjoy quality time with your whanau and I look forward to seeing you all back here next term!

Best regards,

Paul Pirihi, Principal

# **New Sports Kit**

We are extremely lucky that One Foundation and Kooga have kindly sponsored our brand new Rosebank Sports uniforms.

A big thank you to our Business Development manager, Gordon Gibbons, for making this happen. We think you will agree that they look absolutely fantastic and will make our teams look so smart out on the fields and courts this winter season!



#### **Attendance**

Please give every effort to getting your children to school everyday on time. There are still many children who are arriving late in the mornings. Research shows us that learning is cumulative, meaning that it is grown little by little each day and that each day builds on the last. If days are missed they are not able to gain the benefits of cumulative learning. We can see the effects of 2 years of broken schooling due to covid and we want to do everything we can to help build your child's knowledge. Every day counts!

#### Facebook & Seesaw

Please join our Facebook page (Search Rosebank School) to get all our photos and messages. This is a great way to stay up to date! If you are not yet connected to your child's class on Seesaw please make sure that you contact your classroom teacher for a code to join. You will be able to see what your child is up to in class and receive personal messages from your child's teacher.

#### **Uniform**

We are entering the colder months now. Please ensure your child has a school polar fleece to keep them warm. Please make sure it is clearly named as they do remove them when they exercise or get warm.

## **Early Finish- End of Term**

Next Thursday 14th of April will be the last day of term. **School finishes at 1pm** that day. Have a safe and enjoyable time with your tamariki! School returns after 2 weeks break on Monday the 2nd of May.

#### **Litter Free Lunch Boxes**

We would appreciate your help to reduce rubbish around our school by sending your children to school with Litter Free Lunchboxes. It is something that we try to encourage with our children. When no packaged food is brought to school there is a lot less litter in our playgrounds.

#### **Lockdown Drill**

Early next term we will be conducting a lockdown drill. Harrison Tew (Emergency Planning Company) will be in attendance to check our processes. You will be informed of the day and time at a closer date.

# Safari Playgroup

Safari Avondale Playgroup is a fun and inclusive playgroup for children 0-5 to come with their parents. We are FREE and open to everyone, but we especially welcome families from migrant or refugee backgrounds.

We run an English class for Mums during playgroup hours as well as information sessions such as parenting classes. We also have a van pick-up and drop off service to help with transport to the playgroup.

Safari staff Jameila and Iswarya are ready to welcome you and have great set up ideas for interactive play. We have mat time with music, books and dancing and so much more.

Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays during term time 9am-12.30pm

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Email safari@belong.org.nz or text 022 060 9026 or just drop in and check us out.