

# Term 2 Newsletter

Week 12

29<sup>th</sup> June, 2020

Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Faka alofa lati ahu, Bula, Namaste, Ni Hao and Hello to everyone

Dear parents, caregivers and whanau, **KEY DATES** At the end of last week, we learned about an incident near Favona School, where a child walking with their parent was approached by a stranger. We understand it was an June 29-July 1 3-6 isolated incident and the police have dealt with the matter - but it is still very concerning. We will be reminding children about keeping safe to and from school and ask you also remind children • Do not talk to strangers • Do not get into the cars of people you do not know

Do shout for help if you are bothered

Also as part of managing safety – if your child is away AND we have not heard from you - we will ring you to check your child is safe.

Stranger danger can also happen online. We hope you have seen some of the Keep it Real ads on TV. Parents, please check what your children are doing online. If they use Instagram or Tiktok - check their messages. Sometimes children are contacted by strangers and sometimes children send and receive mean or disturbing messages. Children do not understand the dangers and need your help to manage things.

Shirley Hardcastle

### Parent- student- teacher conferences 29<sup>th</sup> June-1<sup>st</sup> July

Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday 3-6pm

You can now book for an interview. Go to ...... www.schoolinterviews.co.nz – Make a booking – Code fwmx8



#### Talanona Ako app

The Ministry of Education has released a great new app which you can download for free from IOS or the app store – Talanoa Ako. It has a lot of information about learning at school and if you want you can change from English to any one of 10 Pasifika languages

Parent- student- teacher conferences

July 3 Last day Term 2 3pm

SCHOOL TERMS 2020

15<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> July

20 July – 25<sup>th</sup> Sept

12<sup>th</sup> Oct – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec

July 20 First day Term 3

July 22<sup>nd</sup> July **Boostrix Y7** 

Julv 29th Y7/8 girls hockey

30<sup>th</sup> July Y7/8 boys hockey

August 10th Y7/8 girls netball

11<sup>th</sup> August Y5/6 girls soccer

August 12<sup>th</sup> Y7/8 boys netball

August 20<sup>th</sup> PHOTOLIFE

August 21<sup>st</sup> Teacher only day

#### Viscount app

One of the things we found out during lockdown was that it was hard to get in touch with some of you because our records had an old address or an old phone number. We will be seeking to update our contact list over the next few weeks.

Many parents found this app helpful. It is free. https://viscountschool.apps.school.nz/install/

This app works on Android and Apple devices and is an easy way to get your newsletter or any important alerts. You can also send absence notices through this ap.

## **SKIDS**

This wonderful before and after school service is fully back in operation.

Before School Care 7:30 to 8 :30 am After School Care from 3 pm to 6 pm Monday to Friday. We offer fun and exciting activities daily.



Winz Subsidies are available for working parents or if you are on a sickness benefit or studying. Solo parents who are working /Studying can qualify. WINZ terms and conditions will apply.

Please call Ferdilin on 0210356547 for more information.

Skids have also worked with the school to present a **Foodstorm programme** for Year 7 and 8 students each week. At this programme students make simple meals they can try out at home.

Skids have also been involved in the **Feed my Whanau programme** with Years 3 and 4. It is expected this programme will be advertised on TV and many families will get a bag of food from Nestle so students can go home and make the meal they learned about at school.

Thank you Skids.

