

Limehills School Newsletter

10 June 2020

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Its exciting to finally be moving to Alert Level 1. For us there will be no major changes - we have excellent cleaning routines in place, people who are sick are staying at home and we continue to encourage good hygiene practices.

We can now look forward to inter-school and community sport, assemblies, cultural events and performances - and we will be able to welcome all of our school community back on site for these.

A letter is attached to this newsletter - your 6th, and hopefully final, COVID-19 communication, with all the information you need to know about life at Alert Level 1 at Limehills.

Finally, a few words to acknowledge our outstanding team of support staff. This week we recognise their contribution to support our students, our teachers and me! We are truly blessed with some wonderful human beings, who always go the extra mile. Well done team. Congratulations on a well earned pay jolt and thanks for everything that you do for us all.

Home and School Committee AGM tonight, 7 pm in the school staffroom

We hope to take care of business fairly quickly and have a catch up with nibbles and drinks - so please bring a plate and your tippie of choice.

A revised constitution will be adopted at the AGM. If you would like a copy of the proposed changes and have not received it via email already then please contact the school.

We also have some office bearers to elect, so do come along.

What's On Diary

TERM 2:

June

- 11 - Parent - Teacher Interviews
- 15 - Firewise
- 16 - BOT
- 17 Scholastic order due
- 17 & 18 REAP Science Yr 4-6
- 19 - Central Cross country
- 26 - Central Cup
- 29 June - 2 Jul REAP Science Yr 6-8

July

- 3 - End of Term 2

TERM 3:

July

- 20 - Start of Term 3

September

- 25 - End of Term 3

TERM 4:

October

- 12 - Start of Term 4
- 12-16 - Deep Cove Camp Y8

November

- 2 - Pet Day
- 3 - Central Athletics
- 14 - Southland Athletics
- 16-20 - Wellington Camp

December

- 14 - Prizegiving
- 14 - Last day for Years 1-7
- 15 - Last day for Year 8s

ADVERSE WEATHER – IMPACT ON THE SCHOOL DAY

At certain times of the year, there can be isolated snow and ice problems throughout the district. In the event of adverse weather conditions overnight, the bus and school organisation on the following morning is as follows:

There are three possible changes to a normal day.

1. School is closed
2. School is open as normal, however, some bus runs may be cancelled or running late
3. School has a delayed start (10am) with a compacted timetable for the remainder of the day. Buses may or may not be running.

All local radio stations (Classic Hits, More FM, Hokonui Gold) will broadcast any changes to the structure of the school day / start times and bus timetable changes **around 7am**.

The messages will be repeated over the next hour or more with any updates that may come to hand. If there is no news it means that school is open as normal. Messages will be distributed via Twitter and Facebook, which parents can receive direct to their smart phone.

Should a severe weather event occur during the school day, students will be kept in class until the end of the school day and a decisions regarding transport arrangements will be made at that time.

There are three possible options:

1. Buses can run as normal because of road clearance
2. In the event that school buses cannot run after school students may be kept at school, overnight if necessary. The school will inform the SDC who will coordinate transportation and the food and sheltering of students overnight at school.
3. If school bus routines are altered, parents will be notified by local radio stations, the school website and telephone messaging services.

Alerts!!!

- Please advise the office with any changes to bus/after school arrangements for any activities that are back up and running now.
- Yr 7/8 basketball is starting on Friday 12 June. A notice advising to teams and the draw was sent out on Monday.
- Sausages for lunch on Thursdays will be back up and running next week, 18 June. Please order on Kindo.
- Please can any noodles be brought to school in a flask or container with a lid. We can add the boiling water at lunchtime if necessary but need them to be in a secure container to eliminate the hazard of children getting burnt.
- Subway school lunch option is back up and running for Wednesdays and Fridays. Please order online at subwayexpress.co.nz
- Scholastic book order due on the 17th June.



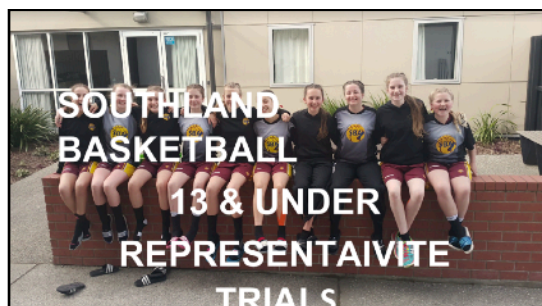
THANKS TO WINTON ROTARY

Many thanks to Winton Rotary Club for the wonderful dictionaries that were presented to our Year 4s on the 26 May. These are lovely books that the children really do appreciate.

John Parsons visit



John Parsons visited yesterday and talked to the children about their 'Circle of Lighthouses', the people we can talk to when we are worried or upset about something. This might be a good opportunity to talk to your children at home about what they learnt.



DATES: BOYS Monday 15th & 22nd June
GIRLS Tuesday 16th & 23rd June
TIME: 4:00 pm – 5:15 pm
VENUE: ILT Stadium Southland

PLEASE NOTE: The age criteria has changed and is now 13 and under as of 31st Dec 2020 eg if you are turning 13 in 2020 you are eligible. Please use the below link to register.

ONLINE REGISTRATION
<https://forms.gle/xRribaUbHtgstWuT6>

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ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Your 2019/2020 Entertainment membership is about to expire so now is the perfect chance to support Limehills School. With 2 extra months on your membership, a bonus Countdown gift card, and the chance to win one of five \$1000 JB Hi Fi vouchers, now is a great time to buy. 20% of the sale price goes back to the school, so purchase here today: <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/2606k30>