

Thornton School Newsletter 4 May 2022
Week 1 Term 2

Welcome back to Term 2. We have a busy term ahead of us with lots going on. We are heading into the winter term and the mornings are getting cooler so the children will be wearing jackets and polar fleeces to school. As the day warms up, they will be taking off their jackets. Please make sure that these are named and also that the children are wearing the correct school uniform jackets or polar fleeces please.

Easter Activities

Last term the student councillors: James, Charlie, Madison and Jimmy organised a fun day with Easter activities. We also had an Easter Hat competition.

The winners were:

Room 1: Briar
Room 2: Cassidy
Room 4: Brock
Room 5: Toby
Room 6: Holly
Room 3: Adara

Happy Birthday to our May birthday kids

Violet, Bracyn, Amelia, Will, Cassidy, August, Elijah, Emerson, Kensy, Reef, Brayahna, Louie R, Kevin, Sophia



Important:

The Launchpad Champions programme

The Launchpad Champions programme is starting again today at lunchtime. If you would like your child to participate, please complete the form on the app by 12pm today (Wednesday).



Bulb Orders

Bulb orders were sent home with children today.

Covid

At Covid Orange traffic light setting, schools are getting back to known systems and programmes. There are no restrictions on gathering numbers, parents are welcome into our school, the wearing of masks (while encouraged) is optional, assemblies will restart and there are no restrictions on how children can play at break times.

We will continue to reinforce good hygiene practices at school and if any child is showing sickness symptoms, they will be sent to the sickbay and parents will be asked to collect them.

Our school has a supply of RAT tests that can also be sent home if families require them. There are still high numbers of Covid being reported so please refer to this chart in terms of self-isolation requirements.



Madagascar

Performance dates in May:

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| Tuesday 17 May | Jungle cast |
| Wednesday 18 May | Zoo cast |
| Thursday 19 May | New York cast |



Other schools have been invited to the matinees.

Parents of Rooms 1, 2 and 4 children are in either the Jungle, Zoo or New York cast and will only be having two shows on the day above.

Tickets:

Tickets are on sale for the evening performances through iTicket.

Matinee performances - 12.30pm and Evening performances - 6.30pm.

Prices:

Adults - \$15, Child - up to 13 years - \$5

We have the Little Theatre from Monday 9 May so will be taking children into Whakatane for rehearsals from that day.

Over these days all children will have the opportunity to go to the theatre to rehearse. We will let you know what days children will be leaving school to go in. If you have any queries around the school show, please give me a call at school.

These Waste Minimisation units are provided by the Resource Sustainability Trust and is sponsored by our Whakatane District Council

2022 - Term Start and End Dates

- Term 1: Tuesday 8 February to Thursday 14 April
Anzac Day is in the school holidays.
- Term 2: Monday 2 May - Friday 9 July
Queen's Birthday Monday 6 June Matariki Friday 24 June
- Term 3: Monday 25 July - Friday 30 September
- Term 4: Monday 17 October - Monday 19 December
Labour Day Monday 24 October

Term 2 Dates

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| 17, 18, 19 May | Madagascar Show | All students |
| Friday 3 June | School Cross Country | All students |
| Monday 6 June | Queen's Birthday | |
| Thursday 9 June | Interschool Cross Country | Eligible students |
| Friday 17 June | EBOP Cross Country | Eligible students |
| Monday 13 June - Friday 1 July | Dental Caravan | |
| Friday 24 June | Matariki | |
| Friday 8 July | Term 2 Ends | |

Ngā mihi
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 Principal