

Kia ora:

Welcome back to school for Term 2. What a wonderful start to the term we have had, especially in regard to the weather. This is the season for lost property, as it is cold in the morning and warms up during the day. Please name sweatshirts, jerseys, jackets, etc, that are easily taken off and left on the playground. If an item is named we can easily return it.

Please keep an eye out on the dates to diary as these are being updated frequently. We have school cross country coming up this month. We run the cross country at the beach, so we need to set our times around the tides. We will let you know the timings as soon as possible. At the beginning of June, we have a Teacher Only Day, straight after Queen's Birthday. This means school is closed on the 7th and 8th of June. Staff will be taking part in professional development around Cultural Responsiveness. Some dates to keep an eye out for are Matariki celebrations and a Matariki disco (Friday 2nd July). The Friends meeting on 11 May can be joined via Zoom. Here is the link https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76133428844?pwd=R2pOVFZ1NzI0TmN3clJ1YUdtNGFIQT09

We welcome Mel James to the staff of Lyall Bay School. Mel is teaching in Ahu, welcoming all our newest tamariki. Mel has been a teacher for nine years, seven in the UK and two in New Zealand. She loves running, travelling and getting to know New Zealand. Make sure you say kia ora and give her a big Lyall Bay welcome when you see her.





Welcome to Nico Grinsted, Angus Carpenter,
Maya Urlich, Evie Meads, Silas Kane and
Chelsy Smith who started yesterday.
We know your time at Lyall Bay School
will be the Best!

Yesterday we had the Grand Opening of a new garden area. John has been developing a garden, behind Ahu Tahi, into a native grotto. There is a special entrance, 'glow worms', musical instruments, weta caves, and a tree house, along with many native plants. All of Ahu and representatives from all other ruma were there. Tamariki were then given the opportunity to explore the area. They loved it, telling John what they liked best once they had been through. Ka pai John.



This term we are continuing with our Inquiry of Sustainability across the school. Huetepara is exploring upcycling through the lens of technology and science. Maranui and Onepū are continuing on their journey of beauty in nature and will investigate Matariki, and how we can look after Papatūānuku.

This week's Parent / Principal chat will be in the library or via Zoom. The link will be sent through HERO. This is an opportunity to chat, ask questions, meet other whānau, connect and engage. If you would like to take part, but the time is not suitable, let me know and we can look at alternative times.

Melanie Dean, Principal

Dates for your Diary

Fri 7 May - Parent / Principal chat - Library or Zoom 8.45 – 9.10am Fri 7 May - Movie Night fundraiser for Yr 3-6 Matiu Somes Island trip

Tues 11 May - FOLBS meeting 7.30pm via Zoom Mon 17 May - BoT meeting 7pm in staffroom

Wed 19 May - Eastern Zone Netball

Mon 24 May - School Cross country (time to be confirmed)

Wed 2 June – Eastern Zone Cross Country
Mon 7 June – Queen's Birthday (School Closed)
Tues 8 June – Teacher Only Day (School Closed)

Native Grotto Opening









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Community Notices:

South Coast Music School @ EBIS:

A new music school in Evans Bay, offering a holiday programme and weekly after school classes during terms. In these highenergy

hands-on group music classes, children learn musical skills including beat-keeping, rhythm, melody, and improvisation through:

- Classroom instruments (including xylophones and hand drums)
- Singing Poetry and story-telling Movement and dance

Who: Primary students Years 1-6

Where: Evans Bay Intermediate School, Kemp Street, Kilbirnie **When:** Holiday programme (19 – 23 April) and weekly after school during Term 2. Visit our website

www.southcoastmusicschool.co.nz or check us out on Facebook.

Piccolo Bass Lessons Before School:

My name is Lachlan and I'm a Lyall Bay local. I am offering music lessons on the double bass through an exciting new programme called Piccolo Bass! We have 8 new mini double basses for 6 - 12 year olds. Lessons will be before school on Mondays @ LBS. Please see our website for more information. Here is an introduction to the Piccolo Bass.



Mary Potter Hospice - Collectors Needed:

Can you spare an hour or two to help keep hospice services free for your community? We need volunteers to help collect funds around Wellington, Porirua and Kāpiti on Thursday, 13th, and Saturday, 15th May 2021. Find out more and sign up today at:

www.marypotter.org.nz/events
or contact Phillip at street.appeal@marypotter.org.nz

"In The Wings" Drama Classes:

Got a budding performer or a child who needs a boost in confidence? Check out our Drama classes running Wednesday afternoons in Hataitai. Trial classes available.

www.inthewings.co.nz or katie@inthewings.co.nz

Robocup at Matamoe Hub:

Matamoe Hub, the new digital technologies community based at Scots College, would like to offer any students in Years 5-13 an opportunity to learn, use and compete with robotics in their free after school and weekend courses. At Matamoe Hub we will be running weekly sessions focused around robotics catering to all abilities. These sessions are focused on the upcoming Robocup Junior competition held here in Wellington, which provides an opportunity for students to compete using robotics.

For junior students, and those who have never done robotics before, we have LEGO EV3 robots which provide an easy introduction to robotics and are programmed using scratch or Python. For the more advanced we have arduino and raspberry Pi robots which will teach students the design and programming principles.

Robocup will provide a fun and engaging way to explore robotics. Students will be organised in teams of 2-3 depending on their interests and ability. This runs during our Saturday Code Club https://matamoehub.co.nz/code-club/. We are also holding a drop-in workshop every Saturday, both for teams in Matamoe Hub and teams from the area. These are hosted by a former national rep and two associate professors from Victoria University. This is a drop-in workshop, but does require an initial registration for health and safety reasons. Please find out more and complete registration on our

website: https://matamoehub.co.nz/robotics-workshop/.

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Entertainment Book 2021 – School Fundraiser:

The 2021 Entertainment Book App is now available! Renew your 2020 membership as it comes to a close. If you haven't had an Entertainment Book before, this is a great way to support your favourite local businesses to get back on their feet or try some new experiences and save some money in the process. A great gift for Mother's Day or just for yourself! There are thousands of 25%-50% off or 2-for-1 offers on all sorts of activities, shopping, dining and travel. You only need to eat out twice to have covered the cost of the book, so everything else is a bonus! This year we are fundraising towards new furniture for some of our classrooms. Check it out at www.entbook.co.nz or order at: Lyall Bay School (entdigital.net)

Please support us. Thanks to the families who have already bought new or renewed memberships. Enjoy!



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