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School Newsletter 32

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

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Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou!

I hope everyone had a wonderful last couple of weeks and the return to school has been a positive one for all! Better weather, the final term of the year, ... and the excitement of Ag Day!

Keenly anticipated since we didn't have one last year - this one will more than make up for that!

We have got a long weekend before we get to the 'big day' too so please read the Ag Day information pieces in this newsletter so you feel well prepared and informed!

And look out for even more details next Tuesday as the day will be very close then!

If you can help out in any way before and/or during Ag Day it is gratefully appreciated!

I would also like to acknowledge Anna Wilson who leaves our staff at the end of this week.

Anna has been supporting our teachers and learners as a learning assistant (formerly known as a teacher aide) for over 10 years. Anna has been based in the middle school for the majority of time.

We thank Anna greatly for her long service and wish her all the very best on her next venture!

There are just nine weeks of Term 4 - it is going to be a fantastic few weeks!

School Sponsorship

Our official school sponsors!

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Marin Construction

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Empire Electrical Services

Tile Imports NZ

North Harbour Water

The Everyday Investor Podcast

Spoil Me

[Are you interested in school sponsorship?](#)

Click the link above!

The sponsors outlined to the left are our current official school sponsors.

They are all school families who have donated generously. We should support them whenever possible.

We are also generating some key 'Support sponsors' for Ag Day too.

All sponsors are given high profile opportunities for exposure on our school website, at events and in newsletters.

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School Hats - Price Increase

In line with the schools sun safe policy all students are required to wear a school hat when outdoors in Terms 1 and 4.

The school gives all students their **first hat free**. If it is lost or damaged, replacement hats can be purchased from the school office for **\$20**.

We have not increased our prices for a number of years but cannot absorb the current price increases.

Thank you for your understanding.

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Ag Day - Saturday 29th October

Ag Day is only 11 days away and there are still a few things we need to make it as successful as possible.

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated something so far!

Please, if you are able to help with the following, it would be greatly appreciated:

- More bounty bags (bags coming home tomorrow.)
- Silent auction items- contact Alanah Dando on 021 348 327/ alanahdando@hotmail.com
- Eggs
- Non- perishable items and baked goods for the co-op (see information on Co-op).

IT'S EGG WEEK!

FOTS would greatly appreciate eggs this week for the bacon and egg roll stand and for the co-op on Ag Day. All donations can be dropped off at the office.

ONLY 11 DAYS TILL AG DAY!



Co-op Stall

Over the next two weeks we are also collecting items for the Co-op stall at Ag Day.

We are seeking donations from now until Friday 28th October of **non-perishable items** e.g. jams, chutneys, lollies, homemade delicacies.

CAKE BOXES will come home with your eldest child next Tuesday. If you are able to fill these with some sort of home baking it would be greatly appreciated.

Some examples of what you can include are cakes, cupcakes, shortbread, cookies etc. Home baking is preferred as commercially made products do not sell well.



All filled cake boxes need to be returned to school by **Friday 28th October**.

Thankyou!



Ag Day Roster

You will have received an email today with the Ag Day roster attached.

Please check this document to **confirm what stall and time slot you** have been assigned.

The stall co-ordinator will be in contact with you in the next few days with more details. Any questions or concerns should be directed to them.

Thank you to all our volunteers - your help makes for an awesome event for our students, their families and the school.

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Calendar Art Orders: Close tomorrow!

Orders for calendar art close tomorrow, Wednesday 19th October.

All orders need to be done on the form that went home at the end of last term, and handed in to your child's class teacher.

Please note all payments need to be made to the FOTS account(12 3059 0341655 00).

If you have misplaced the order form copies are available from the school office.

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School Photos - Individual and Class Photos

Over the holidays you should have received an email from Photolife with your unique passcode to access your childs / childrens photos - individual, class and sibling photos if requested.

If you have not seen this email please check your spam folder as it was sent as a bulk email from the company and may have triggered your security settings.

*****FREE DELIVERY EXPIRES Midnight Sunday 23rd OCTOBER *****

Orders can be made after this date but will incur a delivery cost to your home address.

If you have any questions please contact Photolife on 0800501040.

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Learning Conferences - At the start of 2023!

Over the past few years we have had student/parent/teacher conferences at the end of the year. This was a chance to get together to summarise achievement for the year. However, the achievement report, which all students receive, provides a very good summary; there is not an opportunity to put into action any learning at the end of the year; the last weeks of school are often very, very busy with home & school activities; and feedback from teachers and parents suggested these conferences weren't as productive as they could be - so we believe we have a better alternative!

We have decided to **schedule conferences at the start of next year - not at the end of this year**. These will be on **Wednesday 1 & Thursday 2 February during the day** - onsite preferably, but online if necessary. More details of how these will work and for bookings will be shared in a few weeks.

We believe this process will enable students, parents and teachers to connect prior to school commencing in a high quality manner. It will set up the start of the year very positively.

For anyone feeling the need to connect with their child's teacher this year, either a formal or informal meeting can be arranged over the coming weeks.

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Confirming Student Numbers for 2023

Currently we are endeavouring to confirm our student numbers for 2023. We are just completing a ballot for out-of-zone students for 2023.

It is extremely important we have a very accurate picture of the number of students at each year level so we can finalise the classroom structure for 2023.

It is often quite a complicated process - which is why our class year levels can vary from year to year. Once the structure is confirmed we will begin to draft classes for the year ahead.

So if you have any additional information regarding your children in 2023 please let the office know asap. Thank you for your support.

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Important Dates: Term 4 & beyond

Key dates

Labour Day: Monday 24 October - school closed

Ag Day: Saturday 29 October - official school day

Day in lieu of Ag Day: Friday 4 November - school closed

School Prizegiving & End of Year Picnic: Thursday 8 December at 5pm

School ends for the year: Friday 16 December at 1pm

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Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences: Wednesday 1 & Thursday 2 February

First day with all students attending: Friday 3 February

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Community Notices



 **ALBANY**
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

**SPRING
GALA²²**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Time: 9am - 2pm

Location: AJHS Fields

Free Entry

We will have; Stalls, Crafts, Food Trucks, Face Painting, Main Stage Performances, Competitions, Bouncy Castle, and much more.

For more information visit: www.ajhs.school.nz/gala

An advertisement for Athletics New Zealand featuring a collage of athletes in action. A female runner is in the foreground, a male high jumper is in mid-air, and a female pole vaulter is in the background. The text 'ATHLETICS NEW ZEALAND' is in the top left. The main text reads 'RUN, JUMP OR THROW? GIVE IT A GO!' and 'Find your local club at athletics.org.nz'. Logos for 'douglas' and 'GO Media' are at the bottom.

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Thanks to our partners  

After School Skate Lessons

Aroha Skate runs weekly after school lessons at Huapai District School. Everyone is welcome. All equipment will be provided.

Thursdays Term 4 at 3:30pm



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