

20th September 2023

Ni Hao (Welcome to Chinese language Week)

Many thanks to everyone that supported our recent Student Led Conferences. The students enjoyed sharing their learning with their families. It was wonderful to see the Scholastic Book Fair so well attended. Over \$10,000 worth of product was turned over with \$3,700 raised towards purchasing library books and resources. Thank you to Helen Furness, and the FOS team and helpers for ensuring that this event could proceed.

Our Athon information has now gone home to all classes (with the exception of Areas 14 and 15), wishing our students all the best as they learn their basic facts and seek sponsorship.

Thank you to those parents that attended to support our recent Whanau Week learning. Every afternoon beautiful waita (song) could be heard from each ropū (team) as they gathered to share together before moving into whānau classes to learn traditional Māori games, legends, waiata (songs), crafts and more. Many thanks to our project team who coordinated this week's activities.

There is a "save the date" for our **Grandparents Day** on Friday 13th October. With the two vears of COVID disruptions we are so pleased to once again open our doors and welcome our wider community into our school. We are organising a VERY special morning to welcome great grandparents, grandparents, aunt, uncles, and whānau that may like to come and visit our learners classrooms. We know that many of our children do not have family in New Zealand so this welcome is also extended to ANY significant adult in your child's life eg a neighbor or family friend. The children are keen to hear about their experiences of when they went to school and any stories they may like to share about their life. If you have family out of Auckland please let them know about this date in advance, or email or print out the attached flyer so they can pencil this in.

You will have all received advice and nomination forms for the upcoming Albany Primary School Board elections. We have two parent representative positions available. Nominations close on Wednesday 11th October and voting papers will be issued by 18th October. As voting papers are posted out to addresses on file and we are unable to reissue it is imperative that we have your correct details on file. If you have changed your address, please advise the school office so that we can update your details. Extra copies of the nomination forms are available at the school office.

Do you have a child starting at our school in 2024? We are aware that there are several of our current families living out of zone who have a child due to start in 2024. If you have moved house since your first child started you may not be in zone for our school and will need to apply for a place for your child in the upcoming out of zone ballot. IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT ACCEPTED IN AN OUT OF ZONE BALLOT THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ENROL AT THIS SCHOOL. Applications close noon on Wednesday 11th October and the ballot date is 18th October. For more information please email lelder@albany.school.nz.

This is our final newsletter for the term. School finishes at the usual time of 2.55pm on Friday. We wish you all a safe and enjoyable end of term break, and look forward to seeing you on Monday 9th October for Term 4 start.

Together in learning

Maree Bathurst Principal





SAVE THE DATE! Friday 13th October

Structure for the day:

9.30-10am Kapahaka welcome 10am-10.30 Classroom visits

10.30-11am Morning tea in staffroom

Classroom visits 11-11.30am

Our Grandparents Day invitation includes great-grandparents or any other significant adult in your child's world!









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WINTER NETBALL SEASON

Congratulations to all our netball team players for a superb effort throughout the season. Thank you to team Coaches and Managers, and parent support on the sideline and at training.

Congratulations to our Year 6 team 1, Year 5 and Year 2 teams who won their grade. Well done also to our Year 3 team who were placed second in their grade.

We also acknowledge our Year 6 Team 1 for being invited to the North Harbour Netball Player and Development Programme.



Thank you to all families who have donated Lego. We are overwhelmed with your generosity and are looking forward to creating the Lego Club in Term 4.



Clifford the Big Red Dog visited us from the Scholastic Book Fair!



If you haven't had a chance to look into the building site recently take time to have a look through the perspex windows inserted in the hoardings. You will see that the structure is really taking place for our two level building.

Saturdays 10.30 - 11.30 STORYTIME

23 September Treasure Hunters Storytime followed by a craft project.

30 September Making a Difference Storytime followed by making a peace dove craft.

7 October Pirates' Treasure Storytime followed by a craft project.

Wednesday 27 September 10.30 - 12.00

VISIT ALBANY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Family-friendly local history walk with library staff members. We will visit the old Albany Memorial Library. Bookings are essential. Please call 09 484-7117 or email kathy.bebb@aucklandcouncil. govt.nz

Thursday 28 September 2.00 - 3.00

CARTOON DRAWING SESSION WITH STU DUVAL

Auckland author and artist Stu Duval will present his books and teach cartoon drawing to children aged 8 to 13.

Friday 29 September

MOON FESTIVAL

10.30 - 11.00 Moon Festival Storytime followed by the whole day-long easy do-it-yourself craft. 3.00 - 4.30 Kids movie.

Saturday 30 September 10.30 - 11.30 Making a Difference Storytime

Listen to the stories and make a paper peace dove.

Monday 2 October 11.00 - 12.00 WORM FARM TALK FOR FAMILIES

Pip from Compost Collective will be showing us her worm farm; and tell us why it is important to compost instead of throwing food scraps in the bin. We will be looking at compost worms and their anatomy.

Tuesday 3 October 11.00 - 12.00 THE POWER OF THE SYMBOL

Family-friendly PowerPoint presentation about symbols around us followed by a drawing of your symbol.

Thursday 5 October 11.00 - 3.00

WIZARDING QUEST ESCAPE ROOM

Escape room event for Harry Potter fans. You have one hour to solve puzzles and earn your wizarding license. BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. Please call 09 484-7117 or email lana. gaevski@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz









IMPACT PROJECT CELEBRATION OF LEARNING 2023

He iti te mokoroa nāna te kahikatea i kakati Even the small can make a big impact on the big.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6pm - Spotlight Session One 6.20pm - Spotlight Session Two 6.40pm - Spotlight Session Three 7pm - Top Project Celebration / Guest Speaker WEDNESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER,

6.00-7.30 PM

