



Welcome

I would like to welcome the following children and their families to our wonderful school: Tiffany and Vivian Pu, Ian Huang, Sam Xu, Jasper Jiang, Rethum Bope Arachchige Don, Hubert Suo, Narius Lin, Declan and Isabella Johnson, Mihika Naidoo and Tiana Karunaratne.

Upcoming events

15 August	BOT Meeting Via Zoom 5:30pm
16 August	Moana Production – Matinee 1pm-2:30pm
17 August	Moana Production -6-7:30pm
18 August	Moana Production 6-7:30pm

Upcoming events are also on our calendar on our website: www.oteha.school.nz

Moana Production

Our Year 6s have been working so hard to ensure their Production of Moana is a hit, and I am sure it will be! Due to COVID restrictions we have to limit seats and ask that everyone in the audience wears a mask.

Tickets cost \$15 each, pre-schoolers can sit on a parent's lap. To purchase tickets head to your Kindo account.

All children will be able to watch one of the dress rehearsals during the day at school on Monday 15 August.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Andrey Yanchyn who came 2nd in his age group at the Gymnastics Nationals for trampoline. What a fantastic achievement, Andrey.



BOT Election

CES are currently running our BOT election for us. We have received more than 5 nominations and therefore our school is undertaking a parent election for our School Board. Voting papers will be emailed to you and instructions on how to vote online. Should you not receive these via email, please check your spam filters – particularly for those that have a gmail address.

Nominations close on Wednesday 3rd August at 12 noon. Election day is Wednesday 7th September. Voting closes 13th September, and the new Board takes office 14th September.

Whānau Friday

Pohutukawa and Paieka teams (Year 1, and 2) started off Term 3 with a bang with their Whānau Friday activities. It was nice to see so many of you in classes participating and helping, and it was great to be able to have a chat with many of you. I learnt a few new board games when I visited Year 2s and enjoyed the Te Reo activities in Rooms 1 & 2, and the other activities happening in the other Year 1 rooms.

This Friday it is our Year 5 & 6 parents who are invited into classes for Whānau Friday and I look forward to seeing many of you at school.



COVID

Thank you all very much for your support in ensuring your children have a mask when they come to school. We have had a very positive response to our change of policy about mask-wearing for children in Years 4-6, and it has been noticeable that most of our Year 1-3 children are wearing them also. We know that schools have been hit hard by COVID over the past two terms, with staff and students testing positive, and/or having



to stay home as they are household contacts. Everyone wearing a mask indoors will not completely eliminate COVID, but it will certainly help reduce the spread if someone is positive and asymptomatic.

Thank you for keeping your children at home when they are unwell, and for letting the teacher or Office staff know your child will be absent.

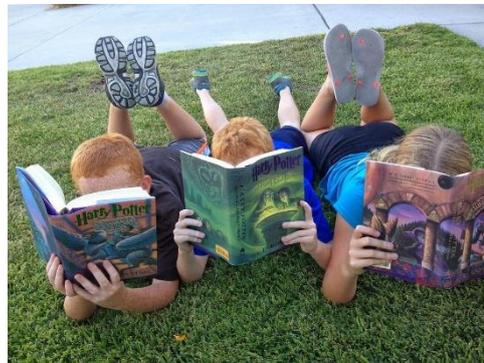
We still need to be told if your child tests positive or is a household contact. You can do this on Hero, or by going to the link on our website, or phoning the school office and leaving us a message.

Read A Thon

We need your help!

Later this term we are holding a **Read-a thon**. It is all about getting the children and their whānau reading heaps and having fun, while also raising some much-needed funds for our school. The children will be sponsored to read as much as they can in the 2 weeks. We hope to give out lots of prizes to encourage the children, so we are looking for donations of prizes and asking local businesses to help. We are also hoping that some of you may be able to support us by donating prizes. We are looking for books, vouchers, toys, or things that children might enjoy or use. If you can help, please let Sherryl Prangle know by emailing her: sherrylp@oteha.school.nz or drop it off at the office.

All money raised will go towards a new stage for the hall, which desperately needs replacing.



Property Update

Work is progressing on the building and the roof should be up in the next couple of weeks. The weather, and delays due to COVID, have made progress slow over the last few weeks, but once the roof and walls are on it will mean work can continue inside without having to worry about the weather.

Over the July holiday break, we had new carpet and autex put in Rooms 17-20 and they all look very smart. Next holidays, Rooms 13-16 will have the same work done, but in a different colour.

We also had a wall put up in our Multi-Purpose Room to improve the sound quality and display space in Rooms 31/32. It has also given us some extra storage space for the office.

Rm 17 post renovation!



Olympic Ambassador Visit

Our Year 3&4 children were privileged to have a talk from Samantha Charlton as part of her role as an Olympic Ambassador. Sam was a NZ Black Stick and represented New Zealand at both Olympic and Commonwealth Games. She was a very engaging speaker, and she had some important and relevant messages about resilience, goal setting and what excellence means to her. The Year 3 & 4s were an amazing audience and they impressed her with their level of questioning and their behaviour.

Sam Charlton with her Gold medal from the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games in 2018.



Kindo Update

Changes to Account Holder Terms

The Growth Collective Limited (known as Kindo, myKindo and EZLunch) has recently been classified as a Financial Services Provider. This means that there are additional responsibilities we must undertake, including compliance with the strict regulations imposed under the **Anti-Money Laundering and Countering Financing of Terrorism Act (AML)**.

We have negotiated exemptions, which are awaiting approval, however there is a change that we need to bring to your attention.

We will no longer be able to return unspent funds to you in cash. As such, we recommend you only top up the amount that you will be able to fully spend before finishing school. (Hint: your Kindo balance can stay with your family from year to year and as you move from one EZLunch/Kindo school to another, so you may have lots of time yet!).

Here's a little more detail:

- If you have received a refund from your school or registered charity, e.g., in relation to a cancelled event, you can withdraw that value at any time within 12 months of the refund.
- Otherwise, cash withdrawals will no longer be available, including when you are closing your account.
- Credit balances may be spent, or you have the option of donating to your school or a registered charity.

We will be updating our Terms & Conditions on or around **31 July 2022**.

Should you have more funds than you expect to use on your myKindo balance, you may wish to withdraw these before the terms change. You can do this easily on the 'top up account' page.

What do I need to do?

If you've got **plenty of time** with kids at EZLunch or Kindo schools - nothing to do. Just carry on as normal.

If you're **about to move on** to a non-EZLunch, non-Kindo school AND you have a credit balance - plan to spend it before you leave or withdraw it before the terms change on 31 July. You can withdraw using the 'top up account' page. Only top up what you need for each transaction and remember to stop any direct credits!

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Rose Neal, Principal



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[NX Enrolment Form](#)

or by going on to the Northcross Website:

<https://www.northcross.school.nz/enrolment>

All enrolment applications need to be completed by the 7th September 2022.

For any further enrolment information please contact Donne at: office@northcross.school.nz

Albany Community Hub (575a Albany Highway) are conducting a community needs survey so that they can better cater to our community's needs.

If you would like to participate in their survey, please click the link. <https://forms.gle/38MpNSkba7Bsqkm27>

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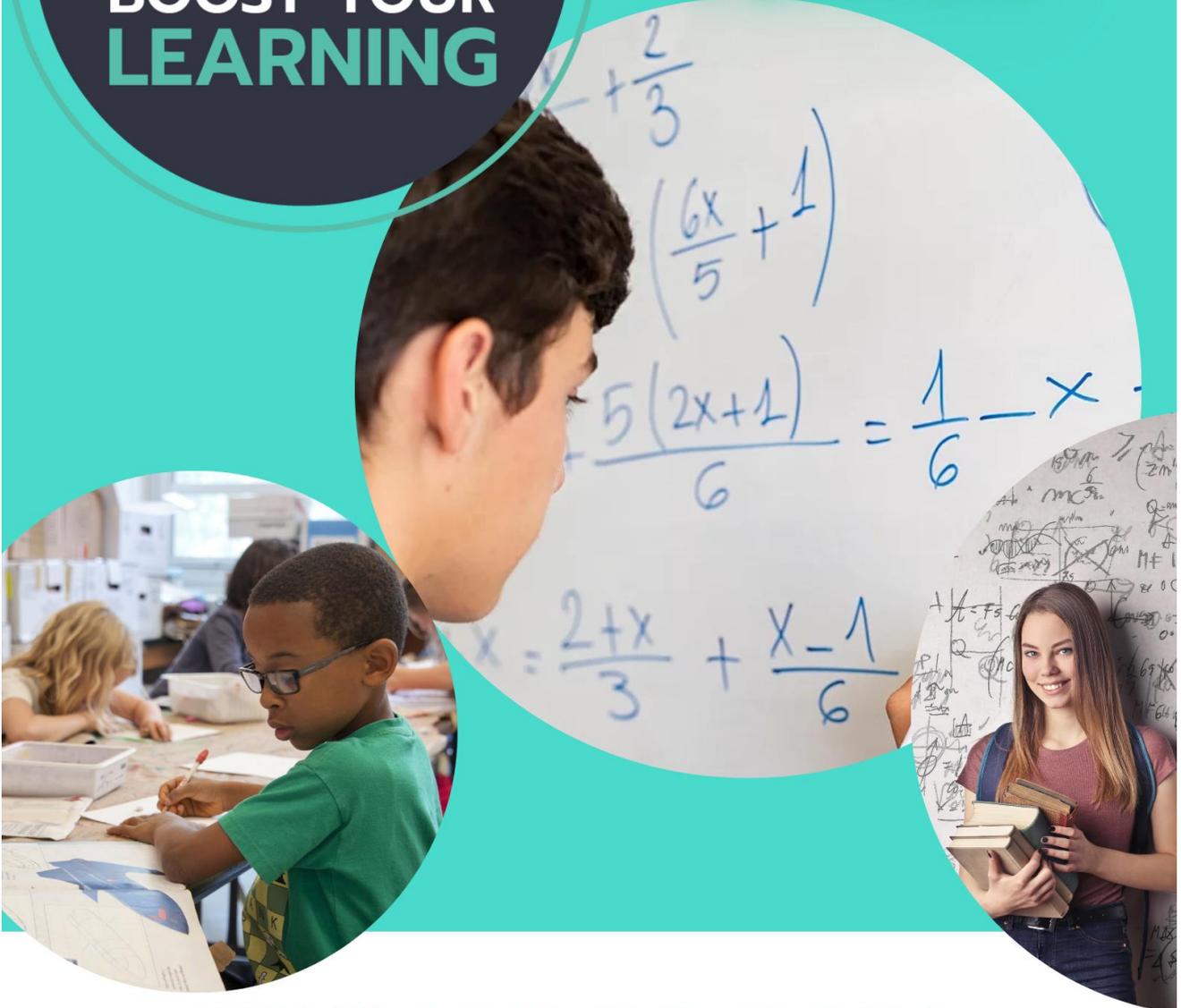


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