

Kauri Team Newsletter
Long Bay Primary
Term Two 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to school! We hope that you have had a lovely holiday. We have a busy, interesting term planned so we trust that everyone is refreshed and ready to take on some challenges.

Learning

Our topics this term: Life Education Trust (our amazing brains), an anti-bullying programme and completing the volcanoes unit. We will also be focused on enhancing our skills with google docs and google slides. We will have learning experiences with flax weaving, carving, painting, playing tuned instruments and conducting more science experiments. In maths, we will be finishing off learning about addition and subtraction strategies, then move into multiplication and division strategies.

The School Day

The classrooms are opened at 8:30 am. There is no supervision for children who arrive earlier than this. Kelly Club is available to provide before and after school care for a fee. Lessons begin at 8:55 am. If your child arrives after the 8:55 bell, they must report to the office to get a late pass for school. The school day finishes at 2:55 pm.

Home Learning

Students will be given home learning activities each week. This may involve completing 1000 points of Mathletics, learning spelling words and reading daily. Students will also be expected to practise any unknown multiplication and division facts. Some students will occasionally be expected to prepare a presentation at home or other tasks. Please note that home learning will only be marked if it is handed in on the day that it is due. Students will be allocated house points and reward stickers for completing this work on time.

Electronic Devices

No electronic devices are to be sent to school, including e-readers. If a student brings a cell phone to school, it must be left at the office during the school day.

Uniform / Equipment

Students should be wearing our school uniform with pride. It is important that the correct uniform is worn however we do understand that there may be times when it is necessary for non-regulation items to worn. An explanatory note would be appreciated.

Please ensure that all clothing and classroom stationery are clearly labelled. You might need to check that labels are still able to be read, especially on clothing items which are washed frequently. Students are expected to take responsibility for looking after their possessions. Please check in with your child that they still have all the stationery that they need for school as there are a number of students who no longer have specific items (e.g. a blue pen, a ruler, etc).

The shoes that your child wears to school need to be suitable for sports activities. All children need to wear shoes to and from school.

There will be times when we ask students to bring a change of clothes and old trainers so that they can train for the Cross Country. They do get *very* muddy when running around the school.

Students who travel to school by scooter or bike need to have signed permission (forms can be collected from the office). All bike and scooter riders must wear a helmet. For the safety of all, students need to push their bike or scooter into the school grounds and put it into the rack by the office immediately.

Money

Students should not bring money to school unless it is requested by the teacher/school. Any money sent to school needs to be clearly labelled with your child's name, room number and the purpose, in an envelope. Many payments will now be able to be made through the LBP Shop, which can be found on the school website.

Communication

If you would like to talk to your child's teacher about any matter, please email the teacher concerned. They can then either address the matter through email or arrange a suitable time to meet, if required. Unless urgent, we will endeavour to reply by the end of the following working day. Teachers seldom check their emails during the day while they are teaching, so any urgent messages for your child need to go through the school office please. Please read the fortnightly newsletter. Families who don't read it miss out on important school information meaning that their children can miss out on opportunities.

Term 2 Events

Mon 30 Apr	First day of Term 2 / Life Education here for 2 weeks / 'Football for Kids' session
Wed 2 May	Parent session for Life Education 2.30 pm in Staffroom
Tues 8 May	ICAS Digital Technology Exam for registered students
Thurs 10 May	First Rippa Rugby tournament
Mon 14 May	Anti-Bullying Week
Tues 29 May	ICAS Science Exam for registered students
Fri 1 June	TEACHERS ONLY DAY
Mon 4 June	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
Mon 11 June	Year 4-6 Cross Country
Wed 13 June	ICAS Spelling exam for registered students
Thurs 14 June	ICAS Writing exam for registered students
Mon 18 June	Save day for Year 4-6 Cross Country
Thurs 21 June	Rippa Rugby Tournament
Mon 25 June	Cluster Cross Country
Wed 27 June	National Rippa Qualifying tournament
Fri 29 June	Reports go home / PTA Disco
Wed 4 July	Mid-year progress conferences. School Finishes at 12.30 pm.
Fri 6 July	Last day of term



Kind regards,

The Kauri Team Teachers - Ms Miranda Kelly (Team Leader), Mr Aaron Joyes, Mr Mark Wallace, Ms Kristie Daniels, Mrs Alison Weavers, Ms Victoria Koopen and Mrs Nikki Douglas