

Insoll Avenue School  
Hamilton



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NEWSLETTER

Newsletter No 2 Term 3

Dear Parents and Caregivers – Kia Ora Koutou

## PRIMARY TEACHERS STRIKE

The NZEI Primary Teachers Union have announced that teachers will strike all day on **Wednesday 15 August** which means school will be closed for instruction on that day.

We are giving you advance notice now so that you can make arrangements for your child on this day.

### Kākano Are Going to the Zoo

Rooms: 8, 12 and 13  
When: Wednesday 29 August  
Cost: \$8.00  
Transport: Travelling by bus  
Departing: 9.00am  
Returning: 2.00pm

### Intermediate Info for Year 6 Students

It is now time for parents of year 6 students to decide on an intermediate school for next year. Most of our senior students will choose to either go to Fairfield Intermediate or Peachgrove Intermediate. Both of these schools will shortly be holding information evenings and open days. Next year may seem like a long way off, however it is important for these schools to know of enrolments in advance so that they can plan ahead with teachers and ensuring your child has a class allocated.

#### • Fairfield Intermediate

Information Evening: Thursday 16 August 2018 @ 7.00pm in the School Auditorium. Classrooms will be open for you to visit after the initial welcome and introduction.

Open Days: Wednesday 22 August and Wednesday 29 August. From 9.00am to 2.30pm on both days, tours of the school will take place.

#### • Peachgrove Intermediate

Open day: Monday 27 August from 9.00am to 9.00pm

### Coming Events

15 Aug	School closed - Strike
21 Aug	Years 4-6 Cross Country
28 Aug	Inter School Cross Country
29 Aug	Rooms 8, 12 & 13 Zoo Trip
4 Sept	Years 0-3 Cross Country
17 Sept	Production week
18 Sept	Senior interschool sport tourn.
24 Sept	Te wiki o teo reo Māori week

### Awards

#### Individual Weekly 100% Attendance

Maraea, R16; Tira, R13; Jhyrome R6

#### Classroom Attendance

1<sup>st</sup> Room 5 – 89%  
2<sup>nd</sup> Rooms 1 & 14 – 87%  
3<sup>rd</sup> Rooms 2, 6 & 7 – 86%



### Team Names

**Kākano** (Rms 8, 12 & 13) New Entrants  
**Pihinga** (Rms 1,2,11,16,17) Yrs 1-3  
**Kaho** (Rms 4, 5,6,7,14) Yrs 4-6  
**Rākau** (Staff and BOT)

### **Te Whānau Kaho's Cross Country**

Te Whānau Kaho's cross country will be held on Tuesday 21 August at 11.15am. Parents and whānau are more than welcome to come down and support their tamariki. If the weather is not permitting, our postponement date will be Thursday 23 August at 11.15am.

Interschool cross country will be held on Tuesday 28 August at Porritt Stadium. The selected students will receive a notice to take home.

### **Attendance Awards**

Please help your child attend school right up until the last day of term as the class who has the best attendance for the term will receive \$300 towards a class trip/event of their choice.

### **Attendance**

School is the beginning of creating good life long habits for our young people; getting up in the morning, arriving at school/work on time, attending every day and returning home promptly after school

Research shows a strong link between absenteeism and underachievement.

There is also a link with older children between absenteeism/truancy and crime.

We have many children who don't attend regularly. Do you realise.....

- Regularly missing just one day a week equates to missing 2 weeks per term.
- This pattern adds up to missing 8 weeks per year – that's 20% of all learning.
- Being absent 1 day a week is 1.5 years missed learning during the primary school years.
- Two days a week regularly absent equates to a loss of 40% of learning opportunities.

Absenteeism makes school difficult for children, not only does a child have to learn to keep pace with their growth and age but then they continually have to catch up on missed learning. They also have to continually re-establish their social friendships.

Please support your child/ren with good life long habits. Feel free to contact school; Principal Linda or Deputy Principal's Paula and Maria for help if you are having difficulties getting tamariki to school.

### **Parking Wardens Will Be Doing Patrols**

Please be aware that parking wardens will be doing random patrols from 2.15pm onwards. Please be considerate of our neighbours and be mindful of the fact that parking on the footpath is putting our students in danger.

### **Life Education**

For the next two weeks, Harold and Life Educator Belinda will be working with all classes in the Life Ed Mobile Classroom. Ask your kids what health topic they are learning about.

## **After School Sport/Activities**

### **Basketball – Yrs 3-4 (Insoll Ballers)**

Games: Wed afternoon / evening  
Venue: YMCA  
In Charge: Matua Hare (R2)  
Practice: Wednesday lunch times

### **Basketball – Yrs 5-6 (Insoll Patrol)**

Games: Friday afternoon/evening  
Venue: YMCA / Fraser High School  
In charge: Matua Willard  
Practice: Friday Lunch time

### **Netball – Yrs 5-6 (Insoll Ferns and Insoll Magic)**

Games: Thursday afternoon/evening  
Venue: Minogue Park  
In Charge: Whaea Ami (R14)  
Practice: Wednesday afterschool / some lunch

## **Walking Buses**

Every day at 2.30pm the children line up under the shade structure in the courtyard. There are 5 lines as follows:

Insoll Ave  
Tramway Road  
Back Gate  
Being picked up  
After School Care

## **Canteen**

Our school canteen is open for orders before school begins each day and you can pay by cash or eftpos.

After 8.40am, orders can be placed at the school office.