



Verran Primary School

Education to Ready Children to Thrive in Life



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IMPORTANT DATES

Term 1 2017

Wednesday 1 Feb - Thursday 13 April

Thursday 9 March

Room 5 and 8 to Beach Ed - Red Beach

Monday 13 - 24 March

Mobile Dental Van at Verran

Thursday 23 March

PSG Uniform Day Gold coin donation

Tuesday 28 March

Juniors to Kelly Tarltons

Rooms 6 and 7

BOT Meeting 7pm

Thursday 30 March

Juniors to Kelly Tarltons

Rooms 1, 2 3 and 4

Wednesday 5 April

Year 6 Waterwise - Birkenhead Wharf

Sunday 9th April

Shore to Shore Fun Run

Wednesday 12 April

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Thursday 13 April

Last Day of Term

School Finishes at 2:00pm

Friday 14 April

Good Friday - School Closed

Term 2 2017

Monday 1 May- Friday 7 July

Term 3

Monday 24 July - Friday 29 Sept

Term 4

Monday 16 Oct - Friday 15 December

Thursday 30 March - Newsletter 09/2017

Progress with the New Building

We are on schedule for these to be in operation at the beginning of Term 2. Teachers will be moving into the new classrooms and furniture will be arriving during the holidays. A blessing of the building will take place at 6:30am on Monday 1 May. All are welcome to attend. Details will be sent home before the end of Term.

Enviro News

POU-The children are working hard at bringing their Pou to life with colourful bird designs representing their chosen school value. Room 6 and 7 are painting their morepork owls (Ruru) onto the Manaakitanga Pou.

Water Walk

This week children have been conserving water for Auckland and learning about the value of fresh water in people's lives, especially those less fortunate who walk kilometres each day for their bucket of water. Thanks for all your hard work, Mrs Robertson.



Interschool Swimming

Mr Swanson would like to thank the parents, grandparents and others who came to support the Verran Team. Extra thanks to those who helped with transport to the pools and back.

FINALISTS (only 6 per final)

Solomon Pocock 4th Y4 Boys Backstroke
India Munro 5th Y4 Girls Backstroke
Solomon Pocock 2nd Y4 Boys Freestyle
Jordan Paterson 6th Y4 Boys Freestyle
Cameron Deamer 6th Y5 Boys Freestyle
Jade Setford 6th Y5 Girls Freestyle

Relays

Year 4/5 Boys - Solomon Pocock, Jordan Paterson, Noah Blandford and Cameron Deamer - 3rd.

Year 4/5 Girls - Pera Webb, Eden Jones, Aria Woodbury, Jade Setford - 3rd

Year 6 Boys - Shunta Shinzaki, Leo Naaniumotu, Brodie Munro and Rocco Jackson - 4th

Year 6 Girls - Briar Douglas, Kiana Williamson, Phoebe Jones and Danielle Hohaia - 5th.

School Relay - Cameron Deamer, Jade Setford, Rocco Jackson and Danielle Hohaia - 5th

Yummy Fruit Stickers.

We will be collecting these again this year. The school receives free sports equipment from the Yummy fruit company. So please collect a sheet from your child's teacher or the office and send it back when it is full.



Safety at the School Gate

Please do not park on the grass verge beside the footpaths or up driveways then onto the grass. In order to get to the grass, you need to drive over the footpath. The footpaths are where children are walking.

Whole School Assembly

Weather permitting we will be having our assembly on Friday 31 March starting at 2:30pm.

The Sea Art Works from Room 1



Junior Syndicate trip to Kelly Tarlton's

A great trip for all the children, a lot of learning, lots to see. Children have been excited to tell us all about what they saw. Our thanks to all parents who helped with the trip.

I say this every time, but it is so important to have support from our parents with these trips, travelling outside of the school requires certain adult to children ratios. We can not offer these opportunities without your help. Thank you.

Year 6 Waterwise

I have finally been able to confirm our two days for Waterwise this term. Wednesday 5 April and Wednesday 12 April. Our Waterwise Programme is offered to our Year 6 children as part of our Outdoor Education Programme. We will be having two days next term, dates to be advised. As this programme is around water we need 1 adult to 4 children. The programme runs from 9:30am - 2:15pm. If you are able to help with the activities please leave your details at the Office.

Pokemon Cards

Children have been bringing their Pokemon Cards to school. Children are enjoy these cards and play with these cards during the lunch breaks. Unfortunately we are having issues with 'trading' and 'gifting' cards to their friends which can result in misunderstandings of who the cards belong to. Teachers are not able to establish who these cards belong to in disputes.

If children are able to continue to bring their cards to school, it must be understood that they can not be traded or swapped at school - this is something that should be left to after school play dates.

Regards
Jeanette Dunning

SCHOOL FEES & DONATIONS

School Donation

- One child \$130
- Two or more children \$230

These donations are used to enhance the learning opportunities that all children are given. They are an important part of school funding. I can assure you every child directly benefits from school donations, as we are able to buy additional resources for learning. The School Donation is a Tax-refundable Donation.

Activity Fee

\$25 per child per term - these are now due. This covers Class Trips, Kiwi Sport Festival Days, Cultural Visits to school, Life Education. Please Note: Swimming, Waterwise, Sports Teams, Science Roadshow trips are additional costs.

Materials Fee

\$5 per child per Term - Materials associated with class programmes where extra materials need to be purchased.

Sport Results

Basketball

Verran Cheetahs v Kristin ~ Won 16 - 2

Player of the Day: Whole Team

Verran Jaguars v Bayfield ~ Lost 16 - 4

Player of the Day: Teo Croll

Verran Tigers v Bayfield ~ Lost 12 - 4

Player of the Day: Kouta Shinzaki

Verran Leopards ~ BYE

Verran Lions v Bayview ~ Won 24 - 7

Player of the Day: James Whatman

Verran Pumas v Vauxhall ~ Won 4 - 2

Player of the Day: Krish Nair

Cricket Blitz

Verran v Kauri Park (in the Final) - A loss to Verran

Player of the Day: Whole Team

Shore to Shore Fun Run / Walk

This event will be held on the 9th April this year. To date we have a team of 45 registered. Ask friends, family and colleagues to enter under our school name. The event starts at Takapuna Grammar and ends with spot prizes and fun at Milford beach. Please see Mrs Nicholson if you have any queries.

<https://shoretoshore17.eventdesq.com/org>





Holiday Programme



Verran School

Room 8 and Enviro Room

ALL CHILDREN FROM OTHER PRIMARY SCHOOLS WELCOME TO JOIN

Week 1 Earlybird Rate (paid before 1st April) \$220

Week 2 Earlybird Rate (paid before 1st April) \$220

Week 1 Regular Rate (paid after 1st April) \$240

Week 2 Regular Rate (paid after 1st April) \$240

Open from 7am to 6pm daily

17 Apr MON

Sorry, we're

CLOSED



18 Apr TUE

MOANA DAY

Cooking Classes with Master Chef



19 Apr WED

TRIP DAY

Extreme Bowling and Laser Force



20 Apr THU

SPORTS CAMP

Day 1



21 Apr FRI

SPORTS CAMP

Day 2



24 Apr MON

TRIP DAY

New attractions at



25 Apr TUE

Sorry, we're

CLOSED



26 Apr WED

JAZZ UP MY RIDE

Wheels Day & Scavenger Hunt

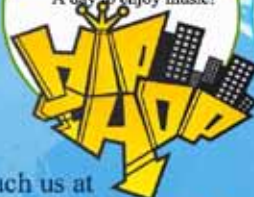


27 Apr THU

EVERYTHING

HIPHOP

A day to enjoy music!



28 Apr FRI

TRIP DAY

Learn how to sail a really big sailing boat!



For more information, you may reach us at

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Girl Guiding NZ Beachaven

Girl Guiding New Zealand enables girls and young women to develop their full potential and make a difference in the world. At Girl Guiding NZ we believe that confidence, self-esteem and an appreciation of the outdoors can be gained through a combination of choice, co-operation and personal challenges.

Beachaven units have vacancies available for girls aged 5-13 years:

Pippins 5-7 years meet on a Thursday from 4:30-5:30pm.

Brownies 7-9 1/2 years meet on a Tuesday 4:30-6pm.

Guides 9-13 years meet on a Wednesday 6:30-8:30pm

At: Beachaven Guide Den

Tui Park

Rambler Cres

Beachaven

Programmes appropriate to different age groups provide regular opportunities for participation and fun in recreation, learning for leisure, and life skills. Activities offer numerous areas of choice, challenge, achievement and new experiences, especially in the outdoors. Members are encouraged to involve themselves in community service and to participate in international opportunities. Programmes provide a balance of physical, mental and social development with underlying spiritual values. A significant emphasis is placed on outdoor activities and teamwork. There is a focus on girl leadership and responsibility for self and others, enabling ordinary people to achieve extraordinary things.

We offer 3 free visits before making a commitment. Please feel free to turn up on the night or for further information on our web site: www.girlguidingnz.org.nz

Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - Marrzipan! We run awesome drama classes at school, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. All children receive a certificate too to remind them they are awesome! You can sign your child up for a Trial Lesson via our website www.marrzipandrama.co.nz or contact Jex on 027 217 0693



Monarchs are winning - wasps are losing!

Eggs that are being laid now are not being sought after by the social wasps. It seems that the social wasps have finished feeding the juvenile wasps protein (e.g. caterpillars) and all of the social wasps are seeking nectar to top up their reserves before the winter. We are hearing from some that there are dozens of caterpillars on swan plants. Some members are posting on our forum looking for more food for hungry caterpillars. Let them eat the stems right down, and then plant out the stumps - surely some will survive the winter. Don't feed them pumpkin as an alternative, it's a waste of time. The butterflies will surely be deformed.

Art in the Holidays

Drawing and Painting One-day workshop for ages 7 - 12 yrs.

Imagine parachuting with a dog to keep you company! Kids will create a vibrant acrylic painting of this fun image with step-by-step guidance from artist/tutor Eion Bryant.

Venue: Highbury House, Birkenhead, Monday April 24th, 10am - 3.00pm

Cost: \$50 (includes all materials)

BOOKINGS: email eion@eionbryant.com, ph. 483 6703