



# 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 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

### Monday 1 May

Blessing of New Classrooms 6:30am

### Wednesday 10 April

Constable Harwood talks to the school

### Friday 19 May

Trees for Survival Planting Day

### Term 3

Monday 24 July - Friday 29 Sept

### Term 4

Monday 16 Oct - Friday 15 December

## SKIDS

As from Term 2 the Before School and After School programme will be based in and around Room 12.

## 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.

Collect these over the holidays and bring them to school next term.



## Thursday 13 April - Newsletter 11/2017

### Shore to Shore Fun Run

Thank you to the families who participated in the Shore to Shore Fun Run. A lovely morning for the event. We are currently preparing a grant application for some Phys Ed Equipment.



### Fuse Drumming

Year 5 and 6 were treated to a session of drumming with a difference. Using buckets and drum sticks. Children picked the skill up very quickly, we could hear their music and drumming throughout the school.



### End of Term

Thursday 13th April is our last day of School this term. School will finish at 2:00pm. Please make the arrangements for the early finish.

### Thursday 13th April School Day

8:55 - 11:00 Morning Classroom Sessions

11:00 - 12:00 PLUNCH (Interval and Lunch combined)

12:00 - 2:00 Afternoon Classroom Sessions (Assembly at 1:45pm if fine)

### Special Assembly

Constable Steve Harwood will be attending a Special Assembly 10am Wednesday 10th of May. Constable Harwood will be discussing with the children "Ways to Keep Themselves Safe". We hope to have this in the New Classrooms. Parents are most welcome to join us.

### *Farewell to Mrs Wynne*

We say farewell to Mrs Wynne on Thursday. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Staff, children and families I would like to thank Mrs Wynne for her work with our children over the years. We do wish her well for the future.

Mr Gareth Owen will be teaching the Room 5 children (they will be in Room 9 at the beginning of Term 2) and Mrs Angela Beaumont will be teaching in Room 2 as Mrs Blair moves to Room 8 to teach the new children enrolling at the beginning of Term 2.

Room 9, 10, 11 and 12 move into the new classroom block over the holidays. Room 5 move to Room 9 and Room 8 moves to Room 10.

### *New Classrooms to Open*

We will be having a Blessing of the New Classrooms on Monday 1 May beginning 6:30am. Parents, children, family and friends are most welcome to attend.

### *Lost Property*

There is quite a pile of lost property, clothes, footwear, lunch boxes in the lost property box by Room 4. Please check the box before the end of term or over the holidays as it will be cleared early next term.

### *Verran Traffic Issues*

Monday this week Skye, Sabine, Daymon, Brodie and Krish met with Rochelle Pethybridge, the Community Transport Coordinator for Auckland Transport. The children wanted to find out how long it takes to use the drop and walk point from other areas. Here is what they found out:

*Ridgewood Reserve to the school gate was about a 9 minute walk*

*The bottom of Berne Place up 'killer hill' takes only 3 minutes to the school gate.*

*The bottom of Castleton Street to the library was also less than 3 minutes.*

*"We were really suprised how quick it was"*

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who have helped with various activities this term. We value your support greatly.

I do hope you all have a dry, relaxing holiday. Safe travels to you all.

Term 2 begins Monday 1 May.

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 Bayfield ~ Won 12 - 6**

*Player of the Day: Whole Team*

**Verran Jaguars v Glenfield ~ Won 8 - 2**

*Player of the Day: Whole Team*

**Verran Tigers v Chelsea ~ Won 14 - 0**

*Player of the Day: Whole Team*

**Verran Leopards v Bayview ~ Won 6 - 2**

*Player of the Day: Flinn Olson*

*Fair Play: Jordan Ikilei*

**Verran Lions v Birkdale ~ Won 16 - 10**

*Player of the Day: Jaxin Aitken-Thom*

**Verran Pumas v Willow Park ~ Won 12 - 4**

*Player of the Day: Whole Team*



PLAY IT STRANGE WITH ROTARY NEWMARKET PRESENT

WITH  
**FIONA McDONALD • SHANE CORTESE • MIKE CHUNN**  
**JORDAN LUCK • PETER URlich • LARRY MORRIS**  
 AND MANY MORE

**SATURDAY 13 MAY 2017**  
**SACRED HEART COLLEGE AUDITORIUM**  
**GLENDOWIE**

6PM FESTIVE FAMILY FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS (CASH) / 7PM DOORS FOR SHOW  
 TICKETS \$45 ADULTS / \$25 CHILDREN  
 FROM EVENTINDA

PLAY IT STRANGE AUTISM EventInda Rotary Newmarket



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<https://www.facebook.com/Hartbeeps-NZ-332399640480292/>

**skids**  
 Safe Kids in Daily Supervision

**Verran School**  
 Room 8 and Enviro Room  
**ALL CHILDREN FROM OTHER PRIMARY SCHOOLS WELCOME TO JOIN**

## Holiday Programme

<b>Week 1</b> Earlybird Rate (paid before 1 <sup>st</sup> April) \$220	<b>Week 2</b> Earlybird Rate (paid before 1 <sup>st</sup> April) \$220
<b>Week 1</b> Regular Rate (paid after 1 <sup>st</sup> April) \$240	<b>Week 2</b> Regular Rate (paid after 1 <sup>st</sup> 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 Auckland ZOO
- 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  
 Mobile 021 025 97721 Email [karlkay@skids.co.nz](mailto:karlkay@skids.co.nz)

Register now at [www.skids.co.nz](http://www.skids.co.nz) click on Parent Login

MSD OSCAR-Approved Work & Income Subsidy available

**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](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz) or contact Jex on 027 217 0693**



**PAA HARAKEKE WORKING BEE – WEDS 26TH APRIL 2017**

Come and Help Maintain the Harakeke  
We will begin with a short walk into the reserve to the Pa Harakeke location. Here local weaver Judy Te Hiwi will teach us how to maintain and promote healthy regrowth of our harakeke as we work together to clean up the site. Meet at 10am at the Substation on Eskdale Road. 82A Eskdale Road, Birkdale.  
admin@kaipatiki.org.nz (09) 482 1172

**WEEDING DAY – SAT 27 MAY 2017**

Come and Help Weed in Preparation for our Winter Planting Season  
Meet at 10am at Domain Road off Glenfield Road. Come and help to release plants and weed in preparation for our winter planting season.  
Refreshments provided and some spades.  
admin@kaipatiki.org.nz (09) 482 1172

Tennis lessons available over terms 2 & 3 at Birkenhead Tennis Club at Verran's Corner. Classes beginners & experienced. Non-members welcome \$90 for 8 lessons.  
Coach Gabriel gabriel@romtennisnz.co.nz or 021 1757586.



**Birkdale North Music Centre  
Drum Class**



We are opening 2 new drum classes for Level 1 from term 2, the fee is \$75 from term 2 to term 4, 2017.

Any students who are 7 years or above are able to enroll for the new drum class, and there is no requirement for basic year experience (recorder) to enroll this class.

Two sessions will be available, one at 8:00 am to 8:40 am and a second at 8:40am to 9:20am in the hall spare room.

Please visit [www.birkdalenorthmusic.school.nz](http://www.birkdalenorthmusic.school.nz) for enrolment.

**Pets, Police Dogs, and Ponies! Holiday Workshop**

The Pet Party team have combined the best of everything for an awesome animal day full of hands-on fun and learning.

As well as all our own pets and exotic creatures, we are joined by two gorgeous ponies and our favourite Police Dog, Jango.

The day is 'workshop' style, and begins with a hands-on introduction to pony care from an equine expert, and two small ponies (no riding).

We will then spend some time learning about all the Pet Party favourites; bearded dragons, blue tongue skinks, leopard geckos, water dragons, tortoises, chinchillas, small dogs, frogs, newts, mice, rabbits, and guinea pigs just to name a few!

We finish the day with a visit from the head of the NZ Police Dog Section, with an exciting demonstration and a chance to learn about the life of a Police dog.

Friday 28th April, 10-3, Browns Bay Community Centre, 8yrs +, \$139  
Email [sally@petparty.co.nz](mailto:sally@petparty.co.nz) to book