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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Term 2 2017

Monday 1 May- Friday 7 July

#### Friday 19 May

Trees for Survival Planting Day  
(Saver Day 2 June)

#### Wednesday 24 May

Bake Sale at School - Room 1 and 10

#### Friday 26 May

Whole School Assembly

#### Monday 29 May

Class Photos  
Individual Photos

#### Thursday 1 June

Parent/Teacher/Child Interviews

#### Monday 5 June

School Closed - Queen's Birthday

#### Thursday 8 June

Rippler Rugby

#### Friday 9 June

Year 4 Trip to Tiritiri Matangi

#### Thursday 15 June

MT and AR to Tiritiri Matangi

#### Friday 16 June

NS and KD to Tiritiri Matangi

#### Friday 23 June

Kaipatiki Schools Matariki Festival  
Birkdale Intermediate

#### Tuesday 27 June

Room 2 and 4 to Auckland Museum

#### Wednesday 28 June

Room 1 and 2 to Auckland Museum

#### Thursday 29 June

Room 6, 7 and 8 to Auckland Museum

#### Friday 30

Verran Matariki Celebration at School

### Term 3

Monday 24 July - Friday 29 Sept

### Term 4

Monday 16 Oct - Friday 15 December

## Thursday 18 May - Newsletter 14/2017

### Bird Lady - Sylvia Durrant

Our children were treated this week with a visit from Sylvia Durrant with her 'Bird Dog' Missy, little blue penguins, Ruru, Fantail, and Tui. Sylvia talked about the work she does to care for injured birds and nurse them back to health and release back into the wild.

Sylvia is a volunteer and has been for many years. She relies on donations, money, towels, sheets etc to help. The little blue penguins eat gurnard only. Any donations please send to the office and Mrs Beaumont will deliver these. There is also a Bird lady of Rothesay Bay - Givealittle Page <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/birdladyofrothesaybay/donations>.



### Congratulations to an Artist

We recently received notification that Ella Sievert has won 1st Place in the Lake House Arts 'Collage Me' competition. Year 6 students were invited to produce a 2 dimensional piece of art, A3 in size, reflecting themselves - an artistic 'selfie' - any combination of media. Ella has won a \$50 Art Voucher for herself and a workshop for her to join along with a group of artists from our school. Ella's work will be displayed at the Lake House Arts from May 23 - 28 along with the other entries. The Art Exhibition is open to the public during this time.



37 Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna.

### *School Assembly*

Our Whole School assembly is held on the last Friday of each month. We will use the New Classroom block for this. Each month, a class will host the assembly and everyone is welcome. Assembly will start at 2:15pm. School Assembly will be held on Friday 26 May.

### *Guitars Donated*

We have had two beautiful guitars donated to the school for our Music Department. Thanks to ex-pupils Lydia, Eloise Pointon and their family.

### *Headlice*

We have had several instances of Head Lice in classes. Unfortunately this is an ongoing issue. In order to eradicate the Head Lice, we must all be vigilant and address the issue - hair, bed linen and clothes need to be washed.

### *Walking to School for a Milo - date change*

Rochelle Pethybridge from Auckland Transport is our Community Transport Coordinator. She and a colleague will meet children at Castleton Street and Berne Place on the morning of 19th May at 8:30am. Any children that join Rochelle and Louise will be able to have a warm Milo drink once they reach school.

### *Photolife*

Photolife will be taking class and portrait photos at Verran Primary School on the 29 May. When the photos are ready to be printed your child will bring home their own unique Shoot Key. Simply follow the steps to 'view' and purchase your photos. All orders are to be done on-line. Siblings - If you wish your children to have their photo taken together please fill the Sibling Photo Request form at the office. You will also receive a Shoot Key to order these photos. Information will be sent home shortly.

### *Bag Storage outside Room 9 - 12*

Do you have any affordable solutions to store the school bags outside the classrooms? We have temporary hooks under the shade sails but they are exposed to the sun and the rain. Any suggestions / designs gratefully viewed.

### *Wet Weather*

As the weather moves through the seasons, we have an increase in the mishaps on the field, please send children to school with a change of clothes - our supplies are rather minimal and children do prefer to change into their own clothes.

### *Room 4 Presents a proposal to the BOT*

Room 4 children wrote persuasive letters to the Board of Trustees stating their views on the need to have a sandpit reinstalled. With the Hall construction site, the old sandpit has been demolished. The children stated their opinions and researched and found a design they all like. We are currently sourcing the equipment we need. Well done Room 4.

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 Belmont ~ Drew 4 - 4**

*Player of the Day: Whole Team*

**Verran Jaguars v St Joe's ~ Lost 4 - 0**

*Player of the Day: Whole Team*

**Verran Tigers v Kristin ~ Won 10 - 0**

*Player of the Day: Whole Team*

**Verran Leopards v Northcote ~ Won 12 - 3**

*Player of the Day: whole Team*

**Verran Lions v Bayfield ~ Lost 28 - 0**

*Player of the Day: James Whatman*

**Verran Pumas v Vauxhall ~ Lost 11 - 6**

*Player of the Day: Quinn Walker*

#### **Hockey**

**Verran 1 v Mairangi Bay ~ Won 1 - 0**

*Player of the Day: Ryu Mizuta*

**Verran 2 v Silverdale ~ Lost 3 - 1**

*Player of the Day: Jade Setford*

### **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.*



**NEW**

**Pita Pit deliver lunch to Verran Primary**

available every Thursday starting May 11th

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## Hells PIZZA Lunches - Term 2

Hells Pizzas available certain Friday's to pre-order. To make money handling easier you can pre-order for any or all of the four Fridays that Pizzas are available for the remainder of this term. *Please take note of the Fridays for this term that we have Pizza lunches, the first Friday is not until Friday 19th May.*

### Pre-Order your Hells Pizza Lunch

These, pre-ordered, snack sized pizzas are only \$5. Each pizza is made to order with fresh ingredients by Hell Pizza Glenfield. Order yours now by completing the form below and returning, with money, to school. New order forms will come out the week before each Friday the Pizzas are available but you can take advantage of ordering ahead of time if you wish. Eftpos available at the office or you can deposit money into the **Verran Fundraising account 12-3035-0515665-00** and then **email the order form** to the office. **Without an order form your order may be missed.** Each fortnight **orders must be received by the Wednesday 9am** before the Friday of the dates below. Any queries please contact the office.

#### HELLS PIZZA MENU

**DOOM** HAM, CHEESE AND PINEAPPLE  
**PRIDE** MUSHROOMS, CAPSICUMS, TOMATOES, PINEAPPLE, FETA  
**CHAOS** HAM AND CHEESE  
**MISCHIEF** CHEESE, FRESH TOMATOES, OREGANO, SALSA

All dietary requirements can be specially catered for, including gluten free bases or vegan pizzas.

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**For Friday 19th May pizzas please return order & money to the office by Wednesday 17th May**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ROOM: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Pizzas \$5 each

	CHAOS	DOOM	MISCHIEF	PRIDE	GARLIC BREAD	WEDGES	CORN NUGGETS
Fri 19th May							
Fri 2nd June							
Fri 16th June							
Fri 30th June							

Dietary or special requirements: \_\_\_\_\_



### 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

## KidsLink

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Birkdale Intermediate School

OPEN EVENING

Parents and prospective students are cordially invited to attend

Thursday, 25 May  
repeated on  
Wednesday 31 May

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Our students will be happy to show you around the school.  
The tour will start in our theatre.





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MPWA: We serve hot breakfast (the coffee, porridge, toast and corn) till 8:30am after which we have an extra baked goodness (muesli, crisp, pizza, sausage roll, lots of veggies and fruits) available.

Appointed staff training for 2017: Inclusion training, Water Safety, Health and Safety, First Aid, Child Protection and Abuse, First Aid, Behavioural Management, Programme Development, Programme Manager's training

Suggested Policies and Procedures: EOPF now in place to cover the new Health and Safety Law