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Week 3

Hello everyone,

Thank you to everyone that made the time to attend last Thursdays Meet the Teacher evening – it was an awesome turn out and it was so nice to see you all.

We kept the meetings as brief as possible because in the main the evening was to celebrate the start of the new school year and to simply bring our school community together again at the start of what promises to be a very busy and interesting 2024.

It was also an opportunity for teachers to share their plans for the year ahead and to let parents and caregivers know how they can help with their child's learning. Reading, some spelling and maybe some basic mathematics facts can go a long way to making the most of the opportunities provided at school — every little bit helps and there is a lot of education research that shows the positive affect that parents being actively involved in their child's education provides to them.

More formal parent/teacher interviews are scheduled later in the term (the 6th and 7th of March) but if you have any worries or concerns please don't wait until then to get in touch. Rather contact the school office and we can make a time to get together with your child's teacher.

Nga mihi, Paul Barker.

Junior Playground

In very exciting news, we expect work on the new Junior Playground to commence on Monday. It will take a few days to be completed but will make a real difference to the junior school especially when the building work is complete. The Board of Trustees has been planning for this project for many years and can't can't wait to see the happy faces when the playground is complete.

"Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from an indomitable will." - Mahatma Gandhi.

Students of the Week

Congratulations to Week 2's Students of the Week – Elizabeth, Lucious, Justin, Marshall, Amaia and Hera.



Building Update

The windows are in the new classrooms and weatherboards are underway. Most exciting is that the first roofing iron should have begun today.

Once the roofing is complete then the buildings will be fully secure and the work on the interior will be able to get underway whilst at the same time other external work can commence including painting, the new decks, paths etc.

Right now we are on schedule for the expected opening around the beginning of next term.

Jui<u>cies</u>

The weather is hot, hot, hot, and so a cold icy juicie is a most welcome addition at lunch times. Juicies are sold each Monday/Wednesday/Friday \$2 each. All proceeds go towards events at the end of the year.