

30 May 2019

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends

## **Queens Birthday Weekend No School Monday, 4 June**

Talofa

### **Samoan Language Week**

Our theme for this year is: 'Lalaga le si'osi'omaga mo se lumana'i manuia' - 'Weave an environment for a better future'.

As a school we are proud to be culturally diverse and one of our larger cultural groups is Samoan. We have 52 children in our school that proudly speak Samoan at home.

Being able to speak more than one language is a skill so many of our children have and embracing the language and the culture is important to maintaining it over many generations.

### **Zoning**

Thank you to all those who have provided feedback about our zone via our school Facebook page. Some of you have left some lovely comments and as a staff we are very appreciative of these words.

One of the major questions I have been receiving is in regards to not being in zone but with a child that is already attending our school. Once your child has started our school the zone does not apply and your child can remain at the school.

The second question I have been getting is around siblings that are not yet 5 and we live out of zone. Unfortunately this area is a little less straightforward as there is no guarantees that your child will be able to attend our school but instead depends on roll numbers at the time and the outcome of a zoning ballot.

The Ministry of Education have all the information and will inform us of our final zone and when this will be implemented and then we will communicate this with our community.

### **Strike Day**

Thank you to all our parents for keeping your child(ren) away from school on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May for the nationwide strike. We appreciate your feedback and will continue to work hard for the best outcomes for our kids.

### **Contact Details**

It is important that you update your contact details if these have changed over the holidays.

**Blair Dravitski**  
Principal

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## Star of the Week

This weeks stars of the week have been keeping it REAL in the class.

Rm 1	Alexa Marshall
Rm 2	Hollie Yorke
Rm 3	Charles Stewart
Rm 4	Breana Scotson
Rm 5	Jordan Cresswell
Rm 6	Olivia Parker
Rm 7	Ryder Craig
Rm 8	Tracey Albert Gallagher
Rm 10	Aria-Rose Williams-Coe Kris Outerbridge
Rm 12	Esha Menon Te Rina Babbington
Rm 14	Manav Chetty
Rm 15	Latesha Philip
Rm 16	Corban Allan Danica Ocampo
Rm 18	Conner Waites



## Birthdays

Happy Birthday to children who are having a birthday this week:

Michael Anngow  
Montell Luselu Richmond  
Phoebe-Jean Johnson  
Zayden Dee  
Alex Kandel  
Latesha Philip  
Aeneas Smith  
Katie Cloney  
Jessie Tindall



## Welcome



We welcome the following students and their families to the Linwood Avenue School community.

John Bunce  
Leah Cloney

## Book Club Orders

Offer 4 is coming home today.  
Orders close at the school office:

Friday 14 June



## School Diary

### Monday 3 June

- Queens Birthday weekend – no school

### Friday 7 June

- Assembly 11am – led by Rooms 2, 8 and 15

### Friday 14 June

- Book Club Offer 4 – orders close

### Friday 21 June

- Assembly 11am – led by Rooms 3 and 17

### Monday 24, Tuesday 25 & Wednesday 26 June

- Parent / Teacher Interview –  
12 noon finish Tuesday



## Festival of Nations

On Friday some of our students were invited to Linwood College's festival of Nations. It is a celebration of the cultural diversity within our community.

The students were able to wear traditional dress and walk behind the flags they identify with, alongside children from other schools and Linwood College. It was a fantastic opportunity for us to celebrate the diversity within our school and community.

Thank you for the invitation Linwood College.



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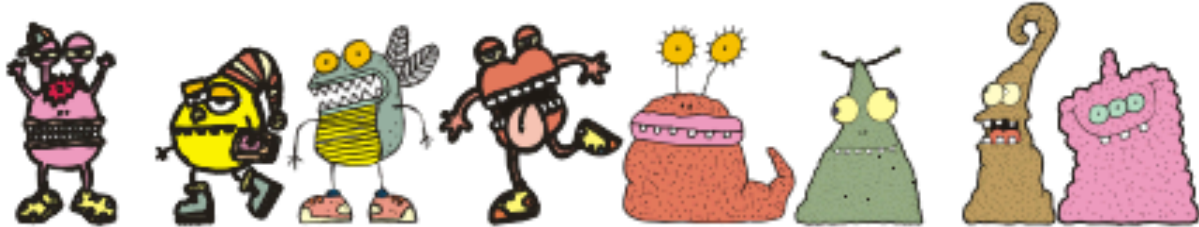
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# Basic Hygiene/Germ Fighting

Germs are everywhere. Some of them are good for you, but some of them can make you sick. There are things that you can do to keep yourself safe from bad germs, and to stop them spreading around your home and school.



## Handwashing

The best way to keep bad germs away from you and to stop them spreading is to wash and dry your hands properly. Germs can live on books, desks, pencils, monkey bars and other things that you touch, so wash your hands often during the day, and always after:

- Going to the toilet
- Sneezing or coughing or blowing your nose
- Eating (and before you eat, of course).

## Covering coughs and sneezes

Keep your hands clean by washing them, and keep germs out of the air we breathe by making sure you cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze. It's best to use a tissue and put it in the rubbish bin afterwards. If you cough or sneeze suddenly, use your shoulder or elbow instead of covering it with your hand.

## Keeping away from people when you're sick

If you have a cold, sit or stand further away from people than usual – about as far as your arm can reach.

If you have the flu or a bad cold or other illness, you **must** stay home until you feel better.

## Don't share food or drinks

It's easy for germs to spread from one person to another through shared food or drink. Never share a drink bottle with someone or lick the same icecream. Try not to pass food to people with your fingers.

## Keep your hands away from your face

The germs that can make you sick get into your body through your mouth or through the skin inside your nose and around your eyes so it's important to keep your hands away from your face. Try not to rub your eyes or touch your face more than you need to.

## Keep yourself healthy

If you are healthy, germs have a harder time making you sick. Have a good breakfast, lunch and dinner, eat lots of fruit and vegetables, do plenty of exercise, and have a good long sleep every night.

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