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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th October 2024

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Special birthday wishes this week to Sam, Waelyn and Harrison. We hope you all had super fun birthday Celebrations.



This week we not only warmly welcome Mrs Andrea Holt, our new Principal, but also we welcome Harrison Jarman, Harrison has turned 5 and has joined Mrs Haszard and Room Tui. We also warmly welcome Harrison's family to our school community.



ASSEMBLY

The Assembly group for next week will be room : **PIWAKAWAKA**
Reminder assembly commences at **2.00pm**.



CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

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| Tues 22nd - Thurs 24th | - Junior Room Camp |
| Friday 25th October | - Science Roadshow (Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6) |
| Monday 28th October | - Labour Day Holiday (No school) |
| Friday 1st November | - Year 6 NSC visit |
| Thursday 7th November | - Northern Cup Mossburn Year 5 & 6 |
| Friday 15th November | - Teacher only Day |
| Tuesday 19th November | - Year 6 NSC visit |
| Wednesday 4th December | - School Production Dress Rehearsal |
| Thursday 5th December | - School Production |
| Tuesday 17th December | - Final day term 4 Close at lunchtime |

TERM DATES

17th December

- Last day Term 4

BOARD MEETING DATES

Please find below the meeting dates for the rest of 2024.

Meeting time 7pm

Term 4

30th October

4th December

You are welcome to attend any of these meetings.

FREE USED TIMBER

The builders have a pile of used timber from the old Admin block that they are giving away free. Please come and help yourself. It is in the old car park behind the school. All they ask is that you shut the gate behind you please.

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Firstly, may I thank the whole school community for the most fantastic welcome on Monday – it was truly inspirational and a day I will never forget. Special mention must go to the wonderful tamariki, who did a great job and were, at times, rather scary! Also, to Tracey and Jo for organising and making it the success it was. I appreciated it very much.

I am delighted to be joining such a dedicated staff, board and community that make Balfour School a great place for tamariki to learn and grow. Before I started, I was told by several members of the wider community and the staff how special the tamariki at Balfour are and they weren't wrong! They have welcomed me with open arms and I have found them to be extremely polite, respectful and mature. I am looking forward to getting to know them better over the coming weeks. Thanks also to the staff who have made me feel very welcome and helped me settle in.

At Balfour, my goal is to build upon and continue the good work of the school and to work collaboratively with our hard-working staff to provide the very best educational experience for all our tamariki.

I look forward to getting to know the whole community over the next term. Please feel free to contact me on 032016042 or principal@balfour.school.nz if you have any questions, concerns or simply want to introduce yourself.

Ngā mihi,

Andrea Holt
Tumuaki
Balfour School

