

Monday 18 March 2019: Welcome to Week 7, Term 1 2019

CARE Value For This Week is CITIZENSHIP (Participating & Contributing)

'I have empathy for others'

Whakatauki Kete

Mātauranga - Wisdom Mātanga - experienced

E kore e mau i a koe, he wae kai pakiaka

You will not catch the feet accustomed to running among the roots



Kia ora & Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou, Hello Brookby families

Hi everyone We are all excited for the big week ahead for everyone at Brookby School. Y5 to Y8's headed off to camp earlier today (Monday) and the Y3-4 are at Sonshine Ranch and sleepover on Tuesday night. Room 3 will be at Brookby for breakfast for the Junior School PJ Breakfast. From my perspective it is wonderful to see so many great activities happening that support the Brookby Learner and Brookby's CARE Values. I will be visiting camp a couple of times, stopping in to Sonshine Ranch and be at the PJ breakfast and helping with dinner preparations for the Y3-Y4 Sleepover. I can't wait to see Brookby School in action! Have a great week everyone - Principal

Matthew Cooke

Friday 15 March: Christchurch Tragedy

It has been a challenging and difficult weekend for all of us in NZ. It has been near impossible trying to make sense and comprehend what has happened. Firstly my thoughts and prayers and those of our school community, go out to anyone who has been directly or indirectly affected by the event on Friday afternoon in Christchurch. I am sure many of you will have loved ones there who you are supporting with your aroha.

I have met with teachers this morning and we have discussed how we might address concerns that children may want to discuss about Friday's tragedy. We have received information from the MoE to support schools and parents that I have sent home in an email today.

We have also received information from the Teacher's Union NZEI:

"As a result of the attacks, I discussed our response with member leaders in Christchurch yesterday. Taking the lead from them, the NZEI Te Riu Roa National Executive has postponed ALL paid union meetings for primary teachers and principals due to begin nationwide tomorrow (Monday). This is as a mark of respect for the 50 children, men and women murdered in Christchurch on Friday and to ensure schools and ECE services can focus on children and their needs....

The attacks have shocked and horrified us as adults. For children who have previously experienced violence, racism or trauma, who are refugees or migrants, or who simply feel the safety of their world has been profoundly disrupted, stability and continuity with the adults in their lives will be particularly important over the next weeks.

https://www.theparentingplace.com/how-to-talk-about/world-trauma/

The Ministry of Education has also provided a link for parents and educators as needed:

Tips for parents and Educators to support children

At a time like this is important to remember the values that we, as New Zealanders and a Brookby School Community, hold dear to us. We must ensure that we never let our CARE values of Citizenship, Accountability, Respect and Excellence be compromised.

Please contact me here at Brookby if you have questions, concerns and/or thoughts for Brookby School pertaining to the Christchurch Tragedy

Letter from Brookby's Board of Trustees

This went home last Tuesday. The letter from Board Chair Neil Wilson discussed the June triennial BoT elections, parent donations and an overview of various aspects of Brookby 2019, including the Brookby Curriculum.

Student Illness and School Attendance

Many illnesses are infectious, meaning they can be spread easily from one person to another. To stop sickness from spreading, it is important for you to keep your child at home when they are ill, and not let them come to school. How long they should be home depends on what illness they have. When your child catches an illness, there will be an incubation period before they show symptoms. Some illnesses are infectious before symptoms show; some are infectious even after symptoms have disappeared. The Infectious Diseases table on the HealthEd website describes the symptoms and exclusion periods for some common childhood illnesses. It's also available to download as a poster.

Speed Limit Outside Brookby School - YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Please go to the link below and add your thoughts.

https://at.govt.nz/speed?fbclid=lwAR1rb4-YiHkXyVftly8s3S3gD00LaLV9OaKDLoKr4qdlB7P4-blyoUmVchk

Link will take you here...



And then to here...

Speed limit changes around Auckland

To make our roads safer, Auckland Transport (AT) wants to introduce a new bylaw to set new speed limits, including lower speed limits for approximately 10% of Auckland's local roads.

- Read proposed Speed Limits Bylaw 2019 (PDF 2.5MB, 107 pages).
- · Give feedback on the Speed Limits Bylaw.

Yr 5-Yr 8 Camp: 18-21 March @ Camp Adair

Camp is this week for our Yr 5-Yr 8 students. I will be visiting a couple of times this week, and DP Bex is planning on visiting during the camp concert on Wednesday

Yr 3-Yr 4 Sonshine Ranch & Sleepover and PJ Breakfast

This is happening on Tuesday during the day, Tuesday night and the PJ breakfast is Wednesday morning. I'll be visiting Sonshine Ranch, helping prepare dinner and be at the breakfast Wednesday morning (not in my PJs, however!)

Donations 2019

A HUGE THANKS to those who have made the school donation before 15 March and paid the \$220. The donation for the remainder of this year is now at \$260.00

Lucky Books

Lucky Book Club orders need to be in by this Friday 22nd for processing. Orders can be placed through the website directly or exact cash (No change given) can be passed to teachers.

Family Fun Day @ Te Puru 23 March 10am - 2pm

Come to Te Puru on Saturday 23 March for a great time! Brookby School's Choir will be on stage at 11.10am and the Kapa Haka Group at 11.50am. We will also be running a 'kite-making' booth, so come along, say 'hi', support Starship and make a kite! There are heaps of other activities and games for the kids to do!

Come and see Nic in the to pre-purchase tickets (\$20 and \$10packs) which enable you to go into the draw for some fantastic prizes, AND it gets you cheaper deals on the activities.

KINDO

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR getting on and using **KINDO** wherever possible. We have about an 85% uptake in utilisation of this service. Let's try and make it 100%! Thanks for your patience while we iron out any teething issues with the new system. The most common errors seem to be surrounding passwords/user id specific to individual's banks/accounts. Please ensure you have the correct details when trying polipay or bank to bank transfers.

We are now well into the term have got most school options available to pay through KINDO. Donations/Class Fees/Camp/School Lunches/Uniforms. It really is simple to use! There are 2 free payment options for you to utilise, and a credit card option which incurs a fee.

Try it now and pay Sonshine Ranch (under trips) or remaining camp payments, or maybe order some lunch when the Y7/Y8 make their ARC lunches. (Authentic, Relevant and Creative)

Moving forward our aim is to be a fully cashless school for the ease of both you/us.

<u>Please remember</u> if you are ordering lunches you also need to complete a <u>GOOGLE FORM</u> that is sent by the teachers each week in their newsletters with the food options available for the following Friday. This <u>MUST</u> be completed for your child to get a food order on a Friday.

https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/index.html

All transactions will automatically receive a receipt via email. (less paper, less hassle for you)

Bot Minute-Taker Secretary

We are looking for a BoT minute-taker/Secretary. \$75.00 per meeting is payment that is made at the end of the year in a lump sum.. Own laptop required. Contact Matthew at Brookby School if keen.

Yr Wr 8 Food Tech Programme (ARC) Lunches

Thank you for continuing to support our lunches. More details on more lunches soon (Yr 7/Yr 8 taking a break whilst at camp)

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ASB Financial Literacy Getwise Programme - 5 April

The programme teaches children good money habits from an early age that can really help to set them up for the future. Through the workshops kids learn the fundamentals of money in four different stages - from identifying needs and wants and learning to save, right through to budgeting - giving them a solid foundation to build on. Free workshops tailored to age and abilities. The workshops provide a fun, engaging environment for kids to learn in. The workshops are free for all Brookby students and the facilitators are all professionally trained to deliver classes that not only meet National Curriculum Levels, but are captivating for students.

Dates for Your Diary

18 - 21 March - Yr 5 to Yr 8 Camp

19 March - Yr 3/Yr 4 Sonshine Ranch and Sleepover

20 March - Year 1- 2 PJ Breakfast with our Year 3-4 Sleepover kids

22 March - ECCS Soccer Fun Day Yr 5- Yr 8

23 March - Community Family Fun Day @ Te Puru - more details above

26 March - 4th and final cricket session

2 April - Digital Tech @ Brookby: Parent Sessions: 3.30pm - 4.30pm & 5 - 6pm

2 April - BoT Meeting - 6.15pm

- ASB Getwise Financial Literacy @ Brookby - 1 session per class
 - Leadership Day for Brookby's Student Leaders (out with Bex)

12 April - Last Day Term 1

Brookby Easter Raffle

It's time to start gathering those Chocolate eggs and bring them in to school any time from now! It's Brookby Easter Raffle time! Thank you in advance for your generous donations of Easter Eggs for our Annual Brookby Easter Raffle. Tickets will come home shortly for you to sell to neighbours/friends and family.! We had 3 **EGGCELLENT** baskets last year that were jam packed with deliciousness and we raised an **EGGCITING** amount for the school. (see what we did there?!)

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS: Edventure Outdoors- School Holiday Camp

Based in Pauanui but with pick up points throughout Auckland. We will be surfing, snorkelling, Hot Water beach & Cathedral cove, fishing, tramping and much more. Our camps aim to teach kids about bush and water safety through immersing them in high interest activities with qualified and experienced staff. April 15th - 18th, OSCAR available, \$425, 8-14 yr olds, book at www.edventure.co.nz



Brookby School is proud to be participating and selling poppies as part of the annual Poppy Appeal with the RSA. These will arrive shortly in the office and we will let you know when they do.



Poppy Day 12 April 2019

Service to New Zealand often comes with some sacrifice. Most of the time this is seen as a personal sacrifice, yet the impact is also felt intensely by family members. Sometimes lasting across many generations.

For the 2019 Poppy Appeal we remember the 'whole sacrifice' that was made and is still being made by today's NZDF personnel and their families.

This year's theme has 3 key messages:

1. Families are impacted by service too.

As a result of service to NZ, many Veterans and their families can endure ongoing hardship when they return and / or transition from serving. For dependants and partners the negative impact can be significant.

2. It's likely you have a history or a connection to service somewhere.

Take the time to discover and share it! We encourage people to explore their own connection to New Zealand's military service and history.

3. The RSA supports all service personnel and their families.

In the last five years the RSA have built a nationwide, comprehensive and effective support services network that provides funding and support for serving and ex-service personnel and their families in need. Last year alone, this volunteer network recorded over 20,000 welfare interactions and literally saved lives in the process.



Every week our students achieve so much in their school work and daily lives outside of school! This is a page dedicated only to their achievements.

Feel free to send us snippets and pictures of the amazing things your child is achieving so we can share with the school.

Room 1

Kaylee Mills

Jackson Donnelly

Room 2

Nevin Curreen Joshua Wilson

Room 3

Lily Ward Braxden Adamski

Room 4

Jonas Shallard-Kerr Emma Hawkins

Room 5

Eva Jones James Driver



We have wonderful news this week with two of our students achieving great things on their horses.

Becky Dickens

Our very own Beck Dickens came 10th in the country for Category A Pony Show Hunter of the Year! That is such an incredible achievement at such a young age. Well done to you Becky, we are all very proud of you!

Lydia Kimpton

Lydia was the youngest ever competitor in The 4 Legged (Race) in Clevedon, making history! Lydia rode her horse Maxwell for The Corner Kitchen and Bar team and then ran 10km to support another team who found themselves without a runner! Ka pai Lydia, that's an amazing feat!