



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2019

31 January 2019



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Happy New Year and welcome to Term 1, 2019.

It is my great pleasure to write to you on the first day of 2019 as the new Principal of Meadowbank School. Although I have been in at school for a few weeks now, there is nothing quite like the first day of school when the students bring energy, optimism and enthusiasm to what will be a very exciting year.

Meadowbank School is in a wonderful position. Mr Ayson and the team have developed an outstanding school culture and solid momentum over the last 2 decades. The school truly is one of Auckland's leading, highest achieving schools. It is now my job to build on this momentum and collectively take our school to the next level. I am ambitious by nature and I love to push the boundaries of potential, so it excites me to be leading a school in such a prime position.

In saying this, my first job is very clear - to really get to know the people and processes at Meadowbank School. This is going to take some time. I am going to make a point of being out on the crossings in the morning and afternoon, in the playground at lunch time and in classes during the day. I am keen to get to know the tone and pulse of the school and hear about what matters most to the children and families of our amazing school. Please come and introduce yourself if you see me before or after school. I would love to meet you.

We had 2 teacher only days earlier this week and this was a great opportunity for me to spend time with the staff. They are an outstanding team - passionate, intelligent and clearly very good at their job. We are extremely lucky to have a team of teachers who are cohesive and work together to get the best outcomes for our children.

We know that in order for your child to really reach their potential, we need home and school to be in lock step. This means being informed, involved and on the same page. Newsletters will continue to come out fortnightly as they always have and we will continue communicating with you via our various channels. From time to time I may add some digital content to the newsletter. If you want to access this content you can click on the links on the App PDF or the website PDF versions of the newsletters.

It's an exciting time to be at Meadowbank School and it is going to be an awesome year!

Phil Toomer - Principal



Click on the link above to view the video

MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

Wednesday, 13 February

Bruce McLaren Hall - 5.45pm

Further details will be advised closer to the event.

2019 TERM DATES

Term 1 Thursday, 31 January - Friday, 12 April

Term 2 Monday, 29 April - Friday, 5 July

Term 3 Monday, 22 July - Friday, 27 September

Term 4 Monday, 14 October - Tuesday, 17 December

Fortnightly newsletter will commence from Thursday, 14 February.