

# LEIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019



Dates to Remember

July 25 Interviews – Parent / child / teacher School finishes at 2pm.

- 31 Interschool Hockey
- August 7 Leigh School Cross Country
  - 14 Interschool Cross Country, Warkworth
  - 29 Auckland Art Gallery whole school trip

Tena koutou

Welcome back to the new school term, I hope you all had a lovely time with your families over the holidays.

This is my first newsletter as Acting Principal of Leigh School, exciting! I would like to welcome Melanie Medland to Leigh School, as you know, she will be teaching in Te Waipuna 3 days a week (I will be teaching 2 days). She has settled in well and I know that she is enjoying getting to know our children.

A big thank you to all the Friends of Leigh School and parents who helped with our two fundraisers over the holidays - the Mahurangi Festival of Lights and School Disco at the Sawmill Café. I know the teachers and I really appreciate all the hard work that goes into organising and running these events. We do have Inter School Hockey next Wednesday which is the Inter School event that Leigh School is responsible for. I have organised and run this event for the past 5 years and if anyone can help out on the day that would be much appreciated!

Our Parent/Teacher/Child interviews are this Thursday from 2.20pm. You should receive a notice with a time for your appointment attached to this newsletter. **Please be aware that school will be finishing early at 2.00pm.** We will be discussing your child's/children's recent report.

Looking forward to a fun term.

## Upcoming events : July 25 : Parent/Teacher/Child Interviews. School finishes @ 2pm

#### Condolences

The Board of Trustees, Staff and students of Leigh School extend their condolences to Adrienne, Lola and Mia on the passing of Scott.

### Parent/Teacher/Child Interviews

Parent/Teacher/Child Interviews will be held tomorrow, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Appointment times will be sent home with your child today. **School** will be finishing at 2pm tomorrow.

### **Cross country practice**

The whole school have started Cross Country training this week. We will be running every afternoon at 2.40pm, in preparation for our Leigh School Cross Country and then Inter School Cross Country. Please ensure that your child/children wear appropriate clothing and footwear, thank you.

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### Welcome

I would like to welcome Olivia Torkington to Leigh School. She started in Te Waipuna this Monday. Her sister is Chloe and parents Sarah and Nick Torkington.

### **Yummy Stickers**

Remember to bring your Yummy Stickers to the office as you collect them. This promotion finishes at the end of September. We are well on the way to choosing some great sports equipment. Thank you to all those apple eaters in Leigh!

Rachel

### Year 7 Enrolments to Mahurangi College, 2020

- August 20 Assistant Principal to talk to Year 6 students at Leigh School
- Sept. 4 Open Day 9.30am 11.30am and 1pm – 3pm. Parents only are asked to attend one of these sessions (students will have the opportunity on Orientation Day)
- Nov. 13 Orientation Day 9.45 1.10pm. All Year 6 students are invited to visit the College.

### From the Friends of Leigh

#### Recent events:

We've had a busy school holiday with some successful fundraising events.

A good time was had by all at the Mahurangi Festival of Lights on 12th July where the crowds ate Jacket Potatoes, while listening to music by the fire and kids took part in a scavenger hunt around Leigh. On top of the fun had, the FOL raised \$580 for the school from food and hamper sales as well as the gold coin donation for the scavenger hunt. Many thanks to Leigh local Michelle Staples for organising the festival, to the local businesses/groups who put on the scavenger hunt and to the amazing team of parents for their hard work.

Hot on the heels of the festival was the Leigh School Disco on the 15th at the Sawmill Cafe where funky tunes, great food and more fabulous parents helped us raise about \$950.

Thanks to *everyone* involved and to our sponsors (in no particular order): Bandwagon, Goat Island Discovery Centre, Caci Clinic, Leigh Eats, Thrive Living, Matakana Creamery and Awa Gillgren - for their generous contributions.

#### Next up:

Next Wednesday 31 July is the inter-school hockey tournament at Warkworth Turf. Traditionally Leigh School hosts this sporting event and and we use the opportunity to sell sausages and home baking.

*Is anyone free/able to help on the day by cooking on the bbq or managing the bake stall?* If so, please can you contact the FOL (details below) or Fay in the office for more info?

If you'd prefer to contribute to the bake stall items please can you drop off your goodies to the school office by 9am on the morning of the event. Your help is much appreciated!

#### **Opportunities:**

FOL is currently without a Chairperson :-( If you would like to nominate yourself or anyone you know for this position please get in touch. Likewise, if you're simply curious about getting involved at any level, feel free to let one of us know or to come along to a meeting - all welcome. By being involved you can have a say in how the funds we raise benefit our children.

#### Meetings:

Held on the fourth Thursday of every month, 3.15pm in the House of Learning. Everybody is welcome. This Thursday will coincide with Parent-Teacher interviews so the meeting time is changed to 2.15pm. Please feel free to come and go as needed.

#### Contact:

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Regards, Helen, Carrie and the FOL Team