

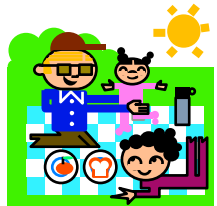
This week is our first 5 day school week so you will probably have tired children by Friday.

Arrival at School

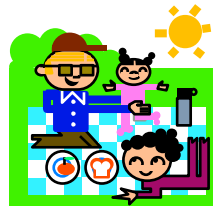
If your child arrives at school before 8.30am, they are to sit under the large shade sail by the office. A hand bell goes at 8.30am, which means they then walk to class and put their bags away. Another bell rings at 9am which means that all children go to class to start learning.

Swimming

The pool had a lot of repair work done over the xmas holidays and after a few hiccups it seems to be now fully operational. The children are enjoying the opportunity to swim. Please make sure that all your children's clothing is named, including togs and towels. We are already getting a collection of unclaimed belongings.



Community Evening/Picnic on the Field **Friday 23rd February 5 - 7 pm.**



This is an opportunity for us to come together at school, out of school hours. The idea is to have as many of you come to school with your picnic tea and enjoy our environment.

Dianne Rodgers, from Project Energise brings extra equipment to use on the field.

Please introduce yourself to your child's teacher if you have not already met them. We have found this event to be a positive, fun way to build a sense of community.

Dates - 2018

Day	Date	What
Friday	23 Feb	Community Evening
Wednesday	28 Feb	Teina Team Chartwell Park Visit
Friday	2 March	Community Evening Postponement date
Wednesday	21 Mar	School Photos (class & individual)
Friday	30 Mar	Good Friday
Monday	2 Apr	Easter Monday
Tuesday	3 Apr	Easter Tuesday
Friday	13 Apr	Term 1 ends
Monday	30 Apr	Term 2 begins

Stationery

Thank you to those of you who have supplied all stationery needs for your children. If you have not yet done so, you can get their books & pens from the office. Thank you for supporting your children's learning needs.



Regards- Kay Cleaver, Principal



Thank you to those who have already returned the slip below that was in last weeks newsletter.

If you have not yet returned it, can you please send the one below to the school office ASAP. Next week teachers will send out invitations via email that will have a link inviting you to download and join your child's Class Dojo.

This year a focus we have is:

To Strengthen and Grow Community Engagement

We have been looking at ways to continue to improve our communication with our community. This year we are introducing 2 new ways to communicate with you, through an app called Class Dojo and text messaging. To successfully implement these we need to make sure the cell phone numbers the school holds for each family are current and that we have a valid email address.

How does Class Dojo work?

Using your mobile phone or a computer you can receive important school notices and updates on events through the school story. Photos of what's happening in your child's class, photos of examples of your child's work and sharing of their successes through private messages to parents.

Does the mobile app cost?

NO! It is completely free.

I don't have a smartphone can I still use Class Dojo?

Yes! As long as you have an email address and can get access to computers or tablets.

I don't have an email address how do I get one?

It is very easy to create one using Gmail or hotmail, at no cost.

I have more than one child at school do I need an email address for each one?

No. One email address is all that is needed.

Can extended family be invited to see what's happening in my child's class?

Yes. If you wish them to join then just give their email to your child's teacher and they can be invited. Please note that when a child that has more than one family member connected - class and school stories can be seen by each member, but messages between each person and the teacher are completely private.

Please return the form below to the office

Parent Name _____ Mobile _____ Email _____

Child's name _____ Rm _____

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