LEABANK PRIMARY SCHOOL



Newsletter for 16th February 2024

7 Dr Pickering Avenue, Manurewa, Auckland School Telephone: (09) 267 6939 www.leabank.school.nz Greetings, Tena koutou, Kia orana, Talofa Lava, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Malo e Lelei, Namaste, Hola, Ni hao, Xin chao.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Term 1 - Week 3

FAMILY FUN & PICNIC EVENING

What a fantastic turnout! The pools and the water activities were very popular in this hot weather and an ice cream/popsicle worked as a treat. It was great seeing families and children taking part in the activities, having fun and just relaxing in the shade.

Congratulations to the families that won the Hamper Raffle. We hope everyone had a great time and also had the chance to meet your child's teacher. Here are a few photos from our fun evening. More photos will be uploaded on our school website and Facebook page.



SWIS - FRIENDSHIP CLUB

"Friendship Club" is back on every Tuesday and Thursday in the hall at break 2 after lunch eating. This will be an opportunity for the students to come along and develop meaningful connections with one another through activities such as board games, puzzles and visual arts. Throughout the sessions, our students will be encouraged to mingle amongst each other, develop healthy peer relationships with one another, and grow in their self-confidence, sportsmanship, as well as listening and leadership skills.

LATE ARRIVALS & EARLY PICKUPS

It is concerning how many students are arriving late to school each day. Our school hours are 8:55am to 2:55pm. Please ensure your child/ren arrives at school before school starts at 8:55am. Students disrupt class when arriving late and also miss out on valuable learning time.

School finishes at 2:55pm and we regularly see many children being picked up as early as 2:00pm. **Early pickups should only be for urgent matters and not a common event**. There has been an increase in people wanting to collect students 10 to 15 minutes early each day which is very disruptive to classes and time-consuming for office staff. More and more people are doing this regularly which seems to be more for convenience and not a necessity. We do realise that emergencies occur but must ask that you stick to normal pick-up times so your children can get a full day of learning without any disruptions.

<u>SWIMMING</u>

A reminder to all parents that swimming is compulsory for all students as it is part of our school curriculum. The importance of learning to swim and survive in the water is paramount. Please ensure your child brings appropriate swimwear to school on their allocated swimming days.

If for some reason your child is unwell and cannot participate in the swimming lesson, your child is required to bring a **signed and dated note** to explain the reason for not participating in swimming. We would appreciate your efforts and cooperation in this area.



ICE-BLOCK FUNDRAISER

We will be selling ice-blocks for \$1.00 each at school this term from Monday to Thursday at break 2 as a fundraiser for the Senior School Camp in Term 4.

UPCOMING EVENTS THIS TERM

Friday 29th March Monday 1st April Tuesday 2nd April

- Good Friday (*school closed*)
- Easter Monday (*school closed*)
- Easter Tuesday (*school closed*)

Yours sincerely

R W Maddren Principal

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Starting on Monday 19th February 2024

10am – 12pm at Leabank School.

3 days a week for 5 Weeks.

30 hours – Digital Literacy Course

Eligibility: Ages 16-64 years. Must NOT have NCEA Level 2 and must be a NZ Citizen.

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