

MUKA NEWSLETTER

JOHNSONVILLE SCHOOL

Tēnā koutou katoa, Namaste, Talofa lava, Konnichiwa, Ni hao, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Chao, Hello, Zdravstvuite, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Salam, Hola, Annyong haseyo, Hallo, Caio, Nei ho, Suosday, Ni sa bula, Kamusta, Bonjour, As-salaamu 'alaykum, Hola, Γεια σας (Yia sas).

Welcome back to a new year of learning and fun!

We trust you had an enjoyable summer break, with family and friends. This year, we have a new syndicate for our Year 0 to 3 students - the teachers in our team are : *Chloe Johnson, Misty Olney, Srey Bowron-Muth, Diane Bloomfield, Logan Burton, Penny Wood, Megan Blackwell and Michelle Tietjens.*



The teachers will be working collaboratively with children from across Muka syndicate. Sometimes your child may be working with a different teacher for their learning.

INTEGRATED UNIT

To begin this term, the focus is on Te Tiriti o Waitangi, and Turangawaewae (belonging). We will also be working on developing our Class Culture and building positive relationships with others across the school. Later in the Term, we will be focussing on 'What lives here at Johnsonville School?' - plants and creatures.



Your child will bring a book home MOST days. Please take time to read with your child . The book your child brings home will have been read during class time. Please return the book in their book bag the next day.



Please ensure that your child arrives to school between 8.30 and 8.55am. This gives them enough time to get themselves organised and ready to start their learning at 8.55am. IF YOUR CHILD ARRIVES AFTER THE 8.55am BELL, PLEASE TAKE THEM TO THE OFFICE TO SIGN IN BEFORE THEY GO TO CLASS.



Children must wear a sun hat at school during Terms 1 and 4. Please also ensure they have a bottle filled with WATER, have applied sunblock and have appropriate clothing on for the weather.

BETTER START LITERACY (BSLA)

We will continue to use Better Start Literacy Approach this year as part of our reading programme. In class, we will share exciting storybooks that will help grow the number of new and interesting words that your children can use and understand when talking. We will also be playing games that develop your child’s phonological knowledge (letters and sounds) – and their awareness of the sounds within words. This area is particularly important to help your child learn to read and spell.

If you speak another language at home, continue to talk with your child about the stories, in your home language.

We will be running an information evening for parents on this programme on Monday 26 February (Week 5) from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

MATHS

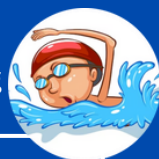
This term, we will be focussing on addition and subtraction, along with geometry looking at 2D (plane) and 3D (solid) shapes. We will also be working on measurement, where we will measure the length of objects.

SCHOOL HUI

This term, Room 8 & 9 will presenting on Thursday 7 March at 1.40pm in our school hall. Feel free to come and see your child and their class present on this day. Please note that Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 will be presenting in another term.

Swimming Timetable

Please ensure your child has togs, towel and a swimming cap on this day.



Room 4 - Mrs Bowron-Muth	Fridays at 1:30pm
Room 1 - Miss T	Wednesdays at 9am
Room 9 -Mrs Wood	Mondays at 11am
Room 5 - Miss Johnson	Tuesdays at 9am
Room 8 - Mr Burton	Fridays at 2:15pm
Room 3 - Ms Olney	Mondays at 9am
Room 2 - Mrs Bloomfield	Wednesdays at 9:45am

EMERGENCY BOXES



In order to be well prepared for a major emergency and the possibility that children may need to remain at school for an extended period of time, every child at Johnsonville School will need to have, at school, a parent-supplied emergency food kit. The food needs to be packed into a named 2 litre square ice-cream container so that it can be stacked easily. If you are unable to obtain an ice cream container, please see your class teacher. The container needs to be sealed with tape around the edges. Thank you for your support.

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If you are unable to obtain an ice cream container, please let the school office know.

Your child's emergency food kit will need to be tailored to your child's dietary requirements and must include a spoon/fork.

Some examples of appropriate food:

- can of spaghetti/baked beans (or similar) with a **tear tab** (see picture)
- muesli bars
- dried fruit (raisins, sultanas, apricots, dates, etc.)
- pretzels
- crackers or *Le Snak* cheese dip with crispbread
- nuts (unsalted)
- hard sweets (e.g. barley sugar)
- snack-sized canned goods, e.g. rice, fruit, chicken, tuna with a **tear tab**
- spoon

Tear tab:



At the end of the school year, your child will bring their emergency food kit home for you to replenish and return to school at the beginning of the new school year. Thank you.