

Panui/Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

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

Whakatauki o te wiki

Poipoiā te kākano
 Kia puāwai.

Nuture the seed and it will bloom.

We all need love and care to fully realise our potential.

Welcome back to the start of term two. I hope you enjoyed spending time with family over the holiday break. This term is a short learning term but is packed full of learning opportunities for the children. Our integrated unit has a science focus around Volcanoes.

Cross Country

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our students in their cross country run at the end of last term. Congratulations to all children who participated as well as those that placed in the top 10. The top 5 students in the year groups will go onto Northern Zone Cross Country events later in the term.





Staffing Update

Thank you to Katy Scannell who was the classroom teacher for Room 9 during term one whilst Penny Wood was on leave. We welcome Penny back to Room 9 for the rest of the year. Katy Scannell is continuing her role in our school providing classroom release time this term and has agreed to teach our new entrant roll growth class for term three and four in Room 7.



After a long career in teaching and fifteen years at Johnsonville School, working in Korowai, we say farewell to Charlene Hillyard who is retiring from full-time teaching. We wish her all the best for the next chapter in her life.

Property Update

Over the school holidays, the fencing was replaced down Morgan Street. There has been a slight change to one of the entrance gates, it has moved position as it constantly kept catching on tree roots and would not close defeating its purpose.



The shade sail was installed over the sandpit area and looks stunning. The Year 6 students are currently working out how many cubic metres of sand need to be ordered to fill it up.

Home and School Committee

Thank you to all the parents who came to the Home and School Committee AGM at the end of last term. It's heartening that we have such a dedicated group of whānau/families supporting our students here at Johnsonville School. Without your support, some of the activities that the students enjoy would not be able to continue.



I know students are looking forward to cupcakeday next week and the Matariki disco later in the term.

Ministry of Education Mathematics Curriculum Days

We have now been allocated our two Mathematics Curriculum Teacher Only Days from the Ministry of Education. We will have a Mathematics Facilitator working with our staff on **Friday 16 May** and **Friday 1 August**. School is closed on these two days while teachers undertake professional development for the new curriculum.



Start of the School Day

Just a reminder that we start our school day at 8.55 a.m. This is the time students need to be on the mat ready for their learning to begin. If your child arrives after the 8.55 a.m. bell, they are required to sign themselves in at the school office,

alternatively parents may sign them in at the office. If a child is late every day, they are missing the same learning area on a regular basis and can fall behind their peers in terms of achievement. Being on time and at school every day is great habit to get into early in life.

Attendance

The table below shows how much school learning time might be lost if your child's attendance is regularly disrupted.

If your child's attendance over their 6 years at primary school averages at:

Attendance Percentage	Days missed per year	Days missed over 6 years	Equivalent missed school terms/years
90% (regular attendance)	20	120	2.5 terms (over half a year)
85%	30	180	3.6 terms (nearly a whole year)
80%	40	240	4.8 terms (a year and a quarter)
75%	50	300	6 terms (a year and a half)

Johnsonville's attendance statistics for term one were disappointing. Only **68%** of our students attended school **90%** of the time. Daily attendance is extremely important for progression and achievement.

Consultation Opportunity

The Ministry of Education is currently consulting on Health Curriculum, in particular the relations and sexuality education framework. They invite you to give feedback directly as they rewrite this curriculum document. Please follow the link below.

[Consultation open for draft relationships and sexuality education framework – Ministry of Education](#)

Policy Review

At our upcoming Board meeting we will be reviewing the following policies: Planning and Preparing for Emergencies, Disasters, and Crises; Communication During an Emergency, Disaster, or Crisis; Emergency Closure.

1. Visit the website:
<http://Johnsonville.schooldocs.co.nz/>.

Enter the username (Johnsonville) and password (morgan).

2. Use the subtitle link 'current review' at the top of the page.
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy to read.
4. Click the Policy Review button and select the reviewer type 'Parent'
5. Enter your name (optional)
6. If you don't have internet access, the school office can provide you with printed copies of the policy and review form.

Ngā mihi maioha

Tania Cohen
Tumuaki | Principal

Sports Fees Due

If you haven't already paid, sports fees are now due for Term 2:

Netball fee - \$40
Miniball fee - \$30

Fees can be paid by cash and dropped off at the office in a named envelope or via internet banking: ASB Bank – Johnsonville School BOT. A/c Number 12-3223-0117242-00. Please include your child's name, class number and the words 'netball' or 'miniball'.

Returning of School Records Forms

At the 3 Way Conferences last term our teachers handed out pink 'Updating Student Records' forms for you to mark any changes to your home address, phone numbers, emails, emergency contacts etc.

If you haven't yet returned yours to the office can you please do so as soon as possible. It is essential our records are up to date in case we need to contact you urgently.

Absences

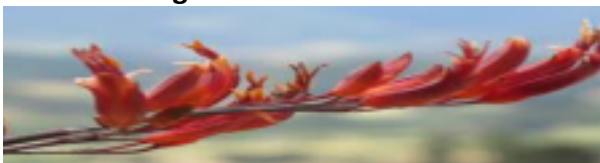
If your child is going to be away from school (or will be arriving late) for any reason, please use one of the following ways to inform the school:

- Absentee phone line 478-7056
- Website notification
www.johnsonville.school.nz/absences/
- School App notification (see below for more info).

Please ensure the office is being notified via one of these 3 ways so that the message doesn't get missed.

It is vital that you contact us regarding absences as the office staff have to account for each student every day. This includes ringing all students we don't know about. This can be extremely time consuming.

**Puawai Awards Term 1 Week 10 –
Focus: Courage**



Room 1	Chance McGregor	Chance has shown courage this term to try new things and persevere when he finds things are a bit tricky. Ka pai, Chance!
Room 2	Jessi Tran	Jessi has shown courage by trying new things and persevering when things get tricky. Kia ora Jessi!
Room 3	Kavnoor Gaur	Kavnoor has been showing courage at school and home with attempting new things that she has once been challenged by. Poho Kererū! We are so proud!
Room 4	Ari Leaver	Ari demonstrates great courage by trying new things and persevering, even when it's challenging. He also shows courage in his friendships—always willing to help others and be a kind, supportive friend. Baie goed gedoen, Ari!
Room 5	Aliyah Hill	Aliyah has had an awesome term. She shows courage when giving new things a go even when they are a bit tricky. Ka mau te wehi!
Room 6	Millan Hettige	Millan has shown courage by trying new things and always doing his best. Good on you, Millan.
Room 8	Ekbir Walia	Ekbir always tries his hardest to figure things out. He is the first to put up his hand to answer questions or to volunteer to help other people. Well done for always being brave, Ekbir!
Room 9	Maui Gabriel	Maui shows courage by being an AWESOME leader in the classroom. He is a positive role model who makes good choices

		with his learning and behaviour. Keep it up Maui!
Room 10	Aisha Gupta	Aisha has been showing courage by trying lots of new foods... avocado, celery, carrots, capsicum, jelly. That is very brave of you, Aisha and we are so proud of you.
Room 11	Brent Puguon	Brent has been demonstrating courage by consistently taking risks with his learning. He has also been brave enough to teach us some of his cursive handwriting skills. Ka rawe!
Room 12	Aradhya Bhatnagar	Aradhya has shown courage by challenging herself with her writing. She also shared her fantastic writing about being an upstander with our Raranga syndicate .
Room 13	Freddie Scannell	Freddie shows courage in his school work, always giving new things a go but also in his friendships, willing to help people who need it and to be a good friend. Ka rawe, Freddie.
Room 14	Eleanor Win-Mason	Eleanor shows courage in her learning. She is always willing to try new things. Eleanor is also a kind and respectful class member. Keep up the great work Eleanor! Ka wani kē!
Room 15	Caleb Wilsnach	Caleb is courageous towards his studies and approaches new learning with a great attitude and always tries his best. He is not afraid to get things wrong, as he knows that learning takes place when mistakes are made. Ka rawe, Caleb.
Room 16	Kora Hussey Wakefield	Kora has shown courage by making an effort to become involved in all the awesome opportunities at school, even if she is a little scared at first. Kora is striving to become the best role model and leader she can be! He miharo koe!

School App

If you haven't yet downloaded our school app you can do so via the App Store or Google Play Store to your iOS or Android smartphone. Search for **SchoolAppsNZ** and type in 'Johnsonville School'.

You will receive notification alerts that appear on your screen - provided you have subscribed to the alert groups you select through the **Alert Subscriptions** menu button on the top left of the homepage. You can also use the app to notify the school if you child is going to be absent.



children will be able to view all the cupcakes and buy up to 2 cupcakes during the morning - \$2 per cupcake.





To help make the day successful, could families (if possible) please:

- Deliver cupcakes to the hall before school between 8.30am – 8.55am on 8th May.
- Label any cupcakes that are suitable for children with allergies
- Label any containers you would like returned with your child's name and room number
- Come to the area by the hall after school to buy any leftovers for treats.

We usually get around 800 cupcakes so we need lots of helpers on the day. If you are able to help with setting up and selling (8.30-11am) and/or (3-3.30pm), please let Annuschka know – annuschka.martinsen@hotmail.co.nz. Even for just an hour or so, every little bit helps.

Intermediate Transition 2025

 Newlands Intermediate			
Thurs 26 June	6.30pm - 8.00pm	Open evening	Parents/caregivers/whānau
Thurs 24 July	9.00am-10.30am	School in action	Parents/caregivers/whānau
Term 4 TBC	TBC	Orientation Day	During school time - Newlands Intermediate collect students from Johnsonville School. More information will come in Term 4.
 Rāroa Intermediate			
Wed 25 June	9.00am - 12.45pm	Rā i Rāroa (Day at Rāroa)	Students to be dropped at Rāroa at 8.45am - walk back to school with Johnsonville Teachers and parent volunteers. More information will be provided.
Tues 5 August	6.00pm –7.00pm	Information evening	Parents/Caregivers/Whānau
Wed 6 August	9.00am - 10.30am	Open Morning	Parents/Caregivers/Whānau

Cupcake Day

The Home and School Committee will be holding their annual Johnsonville School Cupcake Day on Thursday 8 May and we would love, if possible, donations of homemade decorated cupcakes. The

Coming Up:

Friday 16 May
 Mathematics Curriculum Teacher Only Day – **School closed**

Thursday 22 May
 Hui – 1:40pm School Hall
 Rooms 13 & 14 Presenting

Monday 2 June
 Kings Birthday Public Holiday – **School closed**

Tuesday 3 June
 Kahui Ako Teacher Only Day – **School closed**

Thursday 5 June
 Hui – 1:40pm School Hall
 Rooms 3, 5 & 6 Presenting

Friday 20 June
 Matariki Public Holiday – **School closed**

See the calendar on our school's website and App, <https://www.johnsonville.school.nz/calendar>, for further events taking place.