



L'Archipel

Grandir Ensemble dans la Diversité

# NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 3-4 2017

## What Has Happened

The last two weeks have been focused on our moving learning spaces and on the trip to New Caledonia.

### Moving Learning Spaces

Finally, l'Archipel moved in the new building. It has been an important task and our children have been wonderful at helping us packing and sometimes sorting all our resources. It was very appreciated.

On Friday morning, Te Whanau Whariki organised the blessing ceremony of the new premises - our huge thankyou goes to Tu, Laela, her team and a group of lovely TWW parents.

After the opening ceremony on Friday morning, we had the opportunity to admire our new classroom space. It is beautiful, with vibrant colours and brand new furnitures. There will be more equipment in the future especially regarding the shelving to store books and other resources. At this stage, we will make this new environment our own and get organised to work even more cooperatively than before.

After the Assembly on Friday, our children stayed in the Hall, with the Samoan unit students to let the movers transport all our boxes into the new classrooms. It needs to be said that in spite of the difficult weather conditions which forced them to be confined all morning in the Hall, they have been showing their best behaviour and were very patient doing drawings and other quiet activities.

### The Trip to New Caledonia

The trip to New Caledonia took many months to organise. We must all acknowledge the amazing work that the organising team has done with a special mention to Adeline Lemaitre and Celine Gibert for their dedication. We also want to thank all the parents who contributed to make this trip the best possible experience for our year 5 and 6.

On Saturday morning, everyone met at Auckland airport around 6am. The excitement of our children was clearly visible as they gathered around the adult in charge with their small group. Everyone kept a happy face as they left us to go through the customs.



# What Is Happening

## Our term Inquiry: Celebrations

This is a busy week with Halloween, La Toussaint and Guy Fawkes. Our classes have already learned about the traditions behind some of these celebrations and started to create pieces of art and fun crafts about them. They apparently enjoyed what we have proposed so far:



Diwali



Halloween

## Richmond Road School Hats

Our new school hats are on sale. There is a choice of a bucket style or cap. The cost is \$20. The NO HAT NO PLAY rule is now on.



# Events to come

**Week 3** - Staff and parent meeting about ICT - Wednesday 1st November - 6.30pm - Hall.

- Sausage sizzle \$2 each, ice blocks \$1 each . Order before school. Friday 3rd November.

**Week 4** - Years 3 to 6 Athletics Day - Monday 6th November

- Positive Puberty - Year 5 and 6 - Wednesday 8th - All day
- Talent show - Wednesday 8th November from 6:30pm to 8:30pm

**Week 5** - Archipel's trip (Arataki) - Thursday 16th November

**Week 6** - **Treasure Hunt of Learning** - Parents Open Morning - Thursday 23rd November 9:00 to 11:00 am

**Week 9 Tuesday 12th December**

Year 6 Graduation Dinner 6:00pm to 8:00pm (across rōpu in the hall)

**Thursday 14th December**

Year 6 Farewell Assembly 2:00pm (across rōpu in the hall)

End of Term 4 - Friday 15th December - 1pm



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**"Treasure Hunt of Learning"**  
**Open Morning - Kiwi Connection,**  
**Mua I Malae and L'Archipel - Thursday 23rd November 9:00am to**  
**11:00am**

*Kia ora Talofa lava Bonjour Greetings*

On Thursday 23rd November from 9:00am to 11:00am our *Kiwi Connection* (The Village and The Hub), *Mua I Malae and L'Archipel* will be hosting our "*Treasure Hunt of Learning*".

One of the purposes of this event is to build upon parent engagement to enhance our school values, vision and to celebrate your child's success as a learner. This will also provide an opportunity for our Hub and L'Archipel parents to see our new learning spaces in action. This event has taken the place of evening meetings for these rōpu as we would like to provide the opportunity for you to participate in what the school day 'looks like' for your child/ren.

**What will the *Treasure Hunt of Learning* look like?**

You are welcome anytime from 9:00am to 11:00am in the classrooms and for playtime if you would like.

Your child will look forward to celebrating aspects of their learning with you. This could be related to a reflection on their Inquiry, a piece of writing or a piece of their art work.

During this time you are welcome to ask your child's teacher questions related to this learning.

A record of the the event will be posted on Seesaw or classroom blogs.

We look forward to to your participation.

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*Nau mai Afio mai Welcome Bienvenue*

**Richmond Road School - Te Kura o Ritimana T Shirts**  
**Final Orders**

The cost is \$25 per T Shirt. This needs to be prepaid at the school office by cash, cheque or eftpos.

Child sizes available: 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14 (S)

Adult sizes available: S, M, L and XL

Pre purchase ordering will close on **Friday 10th November**.

This will ensure distribution before the end of term 4.

Orders will reopen in early term 1 2018.

Size samples and designs are available at the office for viewing.



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