

CLOVERLEA SCHOOL



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Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Namaste, greetings to you all

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PRINCIPALS PEN

This week we focussed on our value of being 'iNclusive'. **Inclusive** is one of our **LEGEND** values that we talk with our **LEGENDs** about daily. We teach our **LEGENDs** that **inclusive** is about bucket filling. Every **LEGEND** has an invisible bucket and when we say and do kind things, it fills people's buckets. **Pink Shirt Day for us is a focus on being inclusive** and deliberately thinking about what we are saying and doing and how this affects others. Not only do we teach about being **iNclusive** to our peers, but **iNclusive** to our adults. We have a **LEGENDary staff** that always go above and beyond, to try and ensure that we do our very best for every **LEGEND**. You can imagine the difficulty of this with multiple **LEGENDs** personalities and needs. In the current contract negotiations, the teachers across Aotearoa voted no to the recent offer. Here are some of the realities of our jobs that I thought I could share, so that you may be able to be **iNclusive** and tell others why teachers deserve better:

- To train to become a teacher, is a 3-year degree or 4-year degree for postgrad. The starting salary is less than minimum wage after tax and student loan payments.
- A teacher's salaries are paid on a 25-hour contract (paid for 5 hours a day only)
- A teacher's salary goes up each year, by a little bit, taking them 10 years to get to the top of the pay scale. Teachers stay here until the top scale changes through negotiations. So, a teacher, regardless of how many years of experience, cannot earn any more to their base salary.
- There are more and more students starting school that need support. The support coming through is minimal and after 6 weeks, schools are then having to restart processes for support.

Our schools are seriously underfunded. At Cloverlea we do our absolute best to help every **LEGEND**, often making really difficult decisions about who should get extra support and who can't because there are not enough funds to pay for extra support staff time.

Thank you for your continued support and for working alongside us, so that we can all do our best to ensure our **LEGENDs** have the best time at school and the best supports possible.

HOUSE BANNER

The term one golden tickets have been counted - all 2,166 of them - and a massive congratulations goes to Rata with 646 tickets in total! Rimu had 532, Kauri had 511 and Kowhai had 477. That is a lot of **LEGENDary** behaviour being noticed by our kaiako in the playground! Look out for future house awards this term - pink shirt day, house spirit chant, cross country, and a new Cloverlea's Got Talent award!

COVID UPDATE

Unfortunately, we are getting lots of our **LEGENDs** and **staff LEGENDs** with covid. As a school, we do our best to ensure we can keep the classes open. When we are unable to find a reliever or have the class covered, our **LEGENDs** are placed in other classes within the school. Isolation for **LEGENDs** and **staff LEGENDs** is still the 7 days with the day that tests positive as day 0. This has not changed from the Ministry of Education, and we appreciate your support keeping your **LEGEND** home to help reduce the transmission across the school. A local school this week had to close for the day as most staff were sick and they were unable to find relievers. If we ever were in a position, where we had lots of staff away, making it too unsafe with not enough adults on site, this would be a board decision and we would share this on our Facebook page and through the seesaw app.

SAFETY MESSAGE

You may be aware that recently there have been a couple of local schools that have reported a vehicle stopping and asking a student walking home from school to hop in the vehicle. We have spoken to our **LEGENDs** about keeping safe on the way home. Our message has been around - following the plan that you have as a whānau eg/ walk home with . . . safely cross the crossing . . . only talk to people you know . . . if you see something you think is not safe, tell your whānau when you get home. Please reinforce this message with your **LEGEND**. We have made sure the message has been delivered in a way that doesn't make them worried and as a school, we have not shared with them the details as this is a conversation you can have at home if you think your **LEGEND** needs to know.

Camp Fees:

Just another reminder that camp fees are \$186 and need to be paid in full before we go to camp. **This can be paid into the school bank account (BNZ 020 727 0547939 000). Please put your child's name and 'camp' as a reference.**

Please be aware that we cannot refund camp fees if your **LEGEND** does not attend at the last minute. We have sent in our booking information and are charged based on that.



POSITIVE POST

Congratulations to these **LEGENDs** for being drawn from the positive post box. These Legends are recognised for their "excellent" behaviour when other staff are in the room.



Tuhituhinga/Writing

Akomango tahi Room 1 have been learning about procedural writing. We have made fairy bread, and this week we made Wai Rēmana/Lemonade! We showed manawaroa rEsilience and patiently waited to have a turn at squeezing, measuring, and mixing the lemonade. It was delicious! Tino reka!



Golden Tickets – Congratulations to these students who were drawn from our **LEGEND** box this week.

L – Esmee Rm8, Mila Rm 8, Ella Rose Rm 1

E – Denzel Rm 13, Kaylan Rm 13, Bentley Rm 5,

G – Bentley Rm 8, Kayla Rm 13, Jaxon Rm 6

E – Summer Rm 13, Blayke Rm 8, Leila Rm 13

N – Charles Rm 12, Chase Rm 10, Connor Rm 6

D – Awatea Rm 11, Asher Rm 10, Jayden Rm 8

Congratulations to Jayden, Oliver and Cleo who were drawn out of the PE shed box.

