

CLOVERLEA SCHOOL



Friday 20th October 2023

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

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PRINCIPALS PEN

This week, five of our staff **LEGENDs** were in Auckland at the MAC (Maori Achievement Collaborative) Conference. As a school, we have been part of MAC for the last 18 months. Whaea Mia and I were there for 3 days, Whaea Lia joined us for 2 days and Whaea Philippa and Whaea Megan attended a day each. This was a great opportunity for our School Leaders to be in the learning seat and to be in 'school' for 9 hours a day! Many of the keynote speakers spoke about what it means in education to be Tiriti partners. We had lots of korero about what giftedness means from different lens and how we can approach learning in the school ensuring our tamariki see themselves. For staff to keep up skilling, it is so important that we continue to be challenged and learn so that we can bring back current teaching and learning to our kura. We did share some of our photos with our **LEGENDs** so that they know as adults, we are still learners.

With the new change in government, it is timely to continue to share, that as a kura, we do spend lots of time in our classes focussing on literacy and numeracy. You would have noticed this in the seesaw updates that you get each term. You will be able to closely see the progress that your **LEGEND** is making. There are definitely some policies that political parties are currently discussing, that as educators, we know will potentially not be in the best interests of our tamariki across Aotearoa. We know that each child is unique, is on their own journey and will learn when their brain is developed. We know like a child learning to walk, that this happens when they are ready. Although it might sound like a good idea, to have set goals at each year level for students to be able to do, what we know is that everyone starts school at a different place. I know that by looking at the brain science and the academic achievement of our seniors, our **LEGENDs** do get there, they do make progress and many leave primary school feeling connected, having strong friendships and view school as a safe place to be. If you have any questions about the intended policies and want to know what that means for us, please come and talk to any of the teachers, who are extremely passionate about our education system.

ATHLETICS DAY FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER

We are super excited to be going to the Massey athletics track for our 2023 athletics day and we can't wait to see our whānau there! With it being our first day at the track for a few years, we are doing a lot of learning around our **LEGEND** expectations on the day and our tamariki have been showing a great deal of **rae pakari (Determined)** and **kairangi (Excellence)** since the end of last term, perfecting the different athletics events.

We will be travelling by bus to the Massey track, leaving school at 9.15 so it is really important that **LEGENDs** are **orGanised** at kura no later than 9am on the day. Whānau are more than welcome to come down and watch their tamariki. We would love to see them there. We will even have a coffee cart available from 11.30-1.30!

All **LEGENDs** need to come in clothes that are comfortable to move/run/jump in and suitable for the weather, ie. shorts, jersey and sneakers. They will be wearing their school pōtae and there will be sunscreen available at the track. They will need to show **nahanaha (orGanised)** with a packed lunch, snacks and a full drink bottle. **There will be no school lunches on the day.**

NGĀ KAUPAPA E HAERE AKE NEI

Coming Up

- OCTOBER 23** Labour day - no kura
- OCTOBER 24** Ruahine awa trip - rooms 5,6,7
- OCTOBER 24** Summer hockey starts
- OCTOBER 25** Ruahine awa trip - rooms 5,8,9
- OCTOBER 25** Ruahine Plant to Plate
- OCTOBER 27** Whole school athletics day
- NOVEMBER 16** Summer fair
- NOVEMBER 17** Teacher only day
- DECEMBER 14** Last day of term 12pm finish

UPCOMING EVENTS

WE ARE LEGENDS!

CLOVERLEA SCHOOL BALLOT DATES FOR 2024

If you have younger siblings, please check dates for the ballot.

	Length of enrolment	Deadline for receipt of applications	Date of ballot
First Enrolment	15 December 2023 – 12 April 2024	1 December 2023	4 December 2023
Second enrolment	13 April 2024 – 5 July 2024	23 February 2024	1 March 2024
Third Enrolment	6 July 2024 – 27 September 2024	10 May 2024	13 May 2024
Fourth Enrolment	28 September 2024 – 16 December 2024	23 August 2024	26 May 2024

AWA WALK

Next week Ruahine **LEGENDS** are travelling to the Manawatū awa and alongside Horizons they will be testing the water. This is part of their inquiry learning. All Ruahine **Legends** have been for a walk to the Mangaone stream by school.



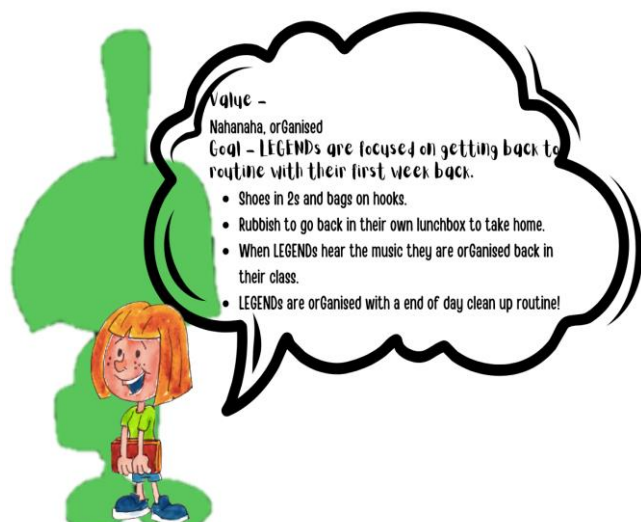
MAC CONFERENCE

This week Whaea Leiana, Whaea Mia, Whaea Lia, Whaea Philippa, and Whaea Megan attended the MAC conference in Auckland. This was an excellent opportunity to listen to speakers and network with other exceptional leaders. They also ran into Matua Jared which was great to have a catch up.



CLOVERLEA SCHOOL PŌTAE

As of next Tuesday, all **Legends** will need to be wearing either the green Cloverlea School bucket hat or the new Cloverlea School cap. A reminder that those **Legends** who wear the school cap must also sunblock their ears and back of their neck. Sunblock is available in all classes.



CLASSES FOR 2024

We are currently organising staffing for 2024. Classes will then begin to be organised based on social needs, academic needs, friendships, strengths of **LEGENDS** and staff. This is a complex job as we balance numbers, gender, and year groups.

If your year 0 – year 5 **LEGEND** is going to attend another school next year, can you please let the office know so we can finalise numbers for classes.