

# Amisfield School 2020

Term 3, Week 9

Together We Achieve

- Respect
- Excellence
- Commitment



## Upcoming Events

**Cross Country:**  
**CANCELLED**

**Last Day of Term 3:**  
**Friday 25**  
**September**

**First Day of Term 4:**  
**Monday 12 October**

**Board Meeting:**  
**Monday 12 October,**  
**5pm in the**  
**Staffroom**

**Teacher Only Day:**  
**Wednesday 18**  
**November**

## Welcome

To all our new students and their families this term



18 September 2020

Kia ora koutou,

We are nearing the end of another busy term. The impact of COVID was unfortunately felt again this term with a reappearing of the virus in New Zealand. At Amisfield School it has meant that a number of events that were planned for our students and community have not happened, and for that I apologise. We have also not held weekly assemblies in an effort to minimise the times our learners are together in large groups.

We hope that Term 4 will bring with it a move to Alert Level 1 so we can begin to hold more of these events with confidence that we are doing the right thing for our tamariki and their families.

With the holidays fast approaching, we hope that you will all be able to take the time to rest and relax ready for a busy Term 4. Looking out for the emotional wellbeing of our tamariki will continue to be important as we move into the last term for the year. We cannot underestimate the impact that COVID will have had on our students, even though they are coming to school, playing with friends and doing 'normal' kid stuff.

Kia Kaha,

Gareth Gilmour  
Principal

## Sports Update

Due to COVID, both the Interschool cross country and our school event have been cancelled.

Soccer is postponed under Alert Level 2, and at this stage we are unsure whether or not soccer will go ahead at all. We will keep you in the loop as we get more information.

## Community Consultation

We are currently seeking feedback from our parent community on two areas. The first is how we report your child's progress to you, and the second is to gauge interest in before and after school care to determine if this is something worth looking into as a school. If you would like to have a say, please check our Facebook page or the Skool Loop app for the link to this brief survey.

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## Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori at Amisfield School

This week is Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, a time to celebrate the unique place that Māori culture and language has in our country. We kicked off this special week with a brief mihi and waiata with the whole school. A huge thank you to Whaea Megan for leading this event!



Our tamariki have also enjoyed taking part in class activities involving Māori language. We were lucky enough to have both Tokoroa Intermediate and Forest View High School's Kapa Haka groups come to perform for us. We hope to share some pictures from these performances on our school Facebook page soon.

## Term 4 Teacher Only Day

There will be a Teacher Only Day on Wednesday 18 November to allow our staff to attend a course. We apologise that we have to hold this midweek, but thank you for your support and understanding as we all work to develop our skills and knowledge so we can do the best job possible for your tamariki. We will post additional reminders closer to the date.

## School Lunches

We have just received news that unfortunately Subway will be increasing the prices of their student subs and wraps at the beginning of Term 4.

*"Due to the minimum wage increase, increase in the cost of our ingredients and the cost of delivering the lunches, we have to increase the cost of subs for school lunches to stay afloat and still provide the same level of service to serve all schools.*

*Therefore, starting from next term, the 12<sup>th</sup> of October, we are increasing the cost of subs from \$5 to \$5.70.*

*Thank you for your support and co-operation.*

*Kind regards  
Subway Tokoroa"*