

ENDEAVOUR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

| July 2018 |

| Upcoming Events | Contact Details |
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| 3 July - Linc-Ed Parent Workshops - 9am, 2.30pm, 5.30pm Endeavour School Staffroom | 86 Endeavour Avenue Flagstaff, Hamilton 3210 |
| 4 July - Matariki Celebration - 4.45pm * Students to wear uniform * | PO Box 12417 |
| 6 July - Last day of Term 2 | Chartwell Square, Hamilton 3248 |
| 23 July - First day of Term 3 | 07 855 5257 |
| 13-17 August - Cross Country (Date to be confirmed) - Week 4 | www.endeavour.school.nz |
| School Events Calendar | https://www.facebook.com/ EndeavourSchoolHamilton |

ADMINISTRATION

Absentees

Please remember to notify us of absentee days / lateness by 9am, when possible. To notify us of absentee days, you can either:

- Email to: reception@endeavour.school.nz
- *"Absentee"* button within the <u>school app</u>
- SMS to 027 367 5017
- Voicemail: 07 855 5257 ext. # 1

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for someone to help out in our "Lookout" on a Wednesday morning from 9-10am, (any other day is great too). You will be working with a small group of 6 students in a structured reading programme where they work independently. If you think you can help out or know someone who would, please let us know via email: peta-maree.parsonage@endeavour.school.nz.

Do you speak a language other than English? We currently have volunteers for translating in Spanish, Korean, Arabic, Mandarin, Punjabi, Hindi & Tamil but we are always looking for more! We often have new families enrol that speak very little English and we have found this to be a fantastic support network for them, especially if they have only recently immigrated to NZ. You can email <u>admin@endeavour.school.nz</u> if you are happy to help.

House T-Shirts

We now have House t-shirts available for purchase again within the school online shop. Please click on the 'Friends of Endeavour' option within the school shop and you will see each of the four house t-shirts. They are available in sizes 4-14 at \$25.00 each. Any queries should be directed to our PTA at: <u>friendsofendeavour@endeavour.school.nz</u>. Cross Country is coming up in Week 4 of Term 3 so get in quick!



office@endeavour.school.nz

Greetings to you all.

Last Friday, the Digital Learning Journal, Linc-Ed, was made live. This portal contains your child's progress report for June and has all the same elements as a traditional written report, plus more. There are four comments on your child's learning covering reading, writing, mathematics and ETC-Inquiry. Some of the comments will have 'tags' that link them to other curriculum areas. There is also a page containing goals based on the Mathematics and Literacy Learning Progressions. Where a student has achieved a goal, it will be colored green and for some there will evidence attached in the form of a work sample. The 'Wheels' give you an indication as to what curriculum level your child is working at. We no longer use the terms "Well Below", "Below", "At" and "Above". You can see if your child is achieving at the expected levels by comparing which Wheel they have completed to which curriculum level they should be in.

As with all new reporting systems, it may take a bit of figuring out. We welcome feedback regarding the reports and will refine the format and information as we go. Another point of difference is the reporting will be on going. You can go into the portal anytime to check on your child's progress and see what their next steps for learning are. This means you don't have to wait until December to check how your child is progressing. If you have any questions regarding the report or your child's learning please contact with your child's Ako group teacher.

Next term we will be staging our first school production. To help make this an amazing event we have enlisted the support of Footsteps Dance. Footsteps provide dance teachers who will work with each learning community to develop special choreographed pieces. We are asking parents to support by paying \$12.50 per child to help cover the costs of the 10 sessions they will be having. We recognize that costs start adding up if you have more than one child at Endeavour so if you would like to cover the cost small installments over please email in the term Jo (office@endeavour.school.nz). Footsteps will be payable within the school online shop later this week. If you are keen to help with the production in any way please email Michelle Ryan: michelle.ryan@endeavour.school.nz

Finally, I hope everyone has a good term break. Hopefully, we will get some fine weather so we can all dry out a bit.

Good luck to all those involved in sport this week and go the Chiefs!

- Marcus Freke



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Linc-Ed Release to parents

We were very excited to finally release our new school reporting system, Linc-Ed to you all last week! Please check your emails for information on accessing Linc-Ed, if you haven't as yet. Our teachers have all been working incredibly hard this year to input



all student data so Linc-Ed is ready for parents to access. Linc-Ed has the capacity for <u>up to three</u> parent/caregiver log-in's per student. If you would like us to add an additional email address to the system or you have any trouble logging in, please speak with Melissa, Lucy or Jo in the office or email <u>admin@endeavour.school.nz</u>. Please visit the <u>Linc-Ed page on our website</u> for an FAQ Sheet, How to Log-in and Adding Linc-Ed as an 'app'. Please come along to one of our three parent sessions on Tuesday 3rd July if you would like further assistance.

Keeping Ourselves Safe programme

Over the past two weeks, all our students have completed the *Keeping Ourselves Safe* programme, run by the NZ Police. Students completed a workshop each day in class, worksheets at home and a one-off group session with our School Community Officer, Constable Pete. Keeping Ourselves Safe enables children to learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others. For KoS resources, please visit the <u>NZ Police website</u>.



Sports Mufti Day

It was great to see such a wide range of team jerseys! It has really highlighted the many different nationalities that are represented at Endeavour School.

We have raised \$476.30 to go towards the school fundraising efforts - what a great result!



STUDENT VOICE

Peer Mediators

We currently have 20 peer mediators across Years 5 & 6 who take turns being 'on duty' during breaks and helping other students with conflict resolution.

Peer Mediators are always on duty with a buddy, in case they come across a problem they need support with and teachers are also available to support them if required.

Another great example of student leadership at Endeavour School!





COMMUNITY NOTICES



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Tron Songsters Children's Choir

Looking for new singers for Term 3!

Come and sing with us!

We are a community choir of boys and girls, aged 8-13 years old.

While meeting other young singers, our choristers have a fun & educational experience, learn a wide range of music, and present a public concert at the end of the term.

Directed by experienced music teachers Hannah Bryant and Maria Colvin.

Rehearsals are at St Aidan's Anglican Church, Claudelands, on Friday afternoons 4.00-5.15pm during term time.

\$95 for 8 week Term (plus a concert performance) beginning August 2018.

A limited number of scholarships may be available; enquire in confidence.

Auditions* will be held at St Aidans Church in the first week of May.

For an audition time or more information: Email hannahgrace.bryant@gmail.com or call 0212069604

Find us on facebook https://www.facebook.com/hamiltonschildrenschoir/

* All choristers take part in a friendly and relaxed audition which provides an opportunity for children and parents to meet with the choir teachers.