



# ST ALBANS SCHOOL

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## Kia ora whānau,

This week I am focusing on a number of key safety messages; we appreciate your support in making our school safe for all.

<b>What...</b>	<b>Why...</b>
Scooters and bikes must be walked in the grounds before school and after school.	This reduces the chance of injury for all students, pre-schoolers and whānau.
If you arrive late to school please call in to the office to collect a late pass.	This means all members of the team know your child has arrived at school.
If you need to take your child out of school during the day please use our sign out system on the tablet next to the office door. If your child then returns to school please sign them in again in the same way.	We have a digital record which is used if we have to evacuate.
We use the blue drop box which you will find outside the office door for all permission slips, money in named envelopes etc.	This is an easy and safe way for you or your child to hand over information and/or money to the office.
We walk the loop at the end of Sheppard Place.	After many 'near misses' we ask that you lead by example and walk the loop with your child, as this is the safest way to cross this very busy road. It's great exercise too 😊
The 3-minute parking zone on the school side of Sheppard Place means this is a pick up and drop off point only. Please do not park in this area.	Traffic volumes are so high, and the flow of traffic improves when this zone is used correctly. Please note: we do photograph and record information of cars parked beyond the 3 minutes, this information is sent for ticketing.

## Ngā mihi, Ginnie and the team

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## NEW PUPILS

We welcome Ben, Alex and Alexis who have joined our school this week.

## SCHOOL NOTICES

**Orchestra and Orchestra Revival Group** - Once again we are running our 'Orchestra Revival Group' in order to build up the strength of our Orchestra and create another instrumental group in our school. The students will receive free music theory and recorder lessons from Ros Emeleus from 9.10 - 9.40am on Friday mornings. If your child was in this group in 2018, they will automatically be in it again. This year we have space for around 10 more students in this group. If more than 10 students are interested, a ballot will be held. We will also speak to classroom teachers for their thoughts on suitability. If your child is in Year 4 - 6 and is interested in being a member of this group, please email [olivia.hanson@stalbans.school.nz](mailto:olivia.hanson@stalbans.school.nz) by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Your child will require a recorder for this group. The group will begin on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Current members of our orchestra will continue to rehearse on Friday mornings from 9.40 - 10.10am, starting Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. They will also have a leadership role in the 'Orchestra Revival Group'.

**Itinerant Music Lessons** - We have *very limited* spaces available for lessons in guitar, piano and ukulele. These lessons are arranged directly with the itinerant teacher and money for the lessons is to be paid directly to them. These lessons are most suitable for students in Years 4 - 6, except ukulele which is available for students in Years 2 - 4. All lessons are held in class time on a Friday. If your child learns the piano there are some lessons on a Thursday afternoon also. For more information contact the teachers below:

- Piano: Mike Crowther Ph. 385 4334 or 021 122 7547, [microandjj@snap.net.nz](mailto:microandjj@snap.net.nz)
- Guitar: Matt Hall - see Matt in the school cafe or Ph. 027 682 2086
- Ukulele: Sylvia Lim - [rainbows1@hotmail.com](mailto:rainbows1@hotmail.com)

**Scholastic Books** - Book orders close on Tuesday 19 February. Payment may be made online at Scholastic using the LOOP system or at the office by cash, cheque or eftpos.

**Lost Property** – Please see Heather if your child is missing swimming goggles as she has quite a collection. The lost property box for uniform items is located outside the admin block alongside the Astroturf. Please name all items so they can be returned to the classroom.

**Monogrammed School Caps** – these can be purchased at the office or the cafe for \$20. Alternatively, children may wear a navy blue bucket style hat. Hats are compulsory in terms 1 and 4.

**School Expenses** – Thank you to everyone who has made payment on their accounts. Student accounts have been billed for the following 2019 expenses:

- Activity Contribution - \$80 for each child for the year
- AquaGym Programme - \$25 for Yr 1-2, \$37 for Yr 3-6
- School Donation - \$100 for one child at school, \$180 for two or more children
- Hagley Sport - \$38.00 selected Year 5-6 students

Online payments are preferred to our bank account 12-3151-0178176-00. Please use your eldest child's name as a reference.

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**School Donation Prize Draw** – As a token of our appreciation we hold a prize draw at the end of each term for two families to win a \$20 gift card. Anyone who has paid the school donation in full or the term installment is entered. Many school expenses are considered to be donations by the Ministry of Education and can be claimed at the end of the tax year, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019. Not only do you support our school but you get a little something back 😊

### **PTA NEWS**

The PTA had its first meeting of 2019 last night, and it was awesome to see a few new faces there. We would love to welcome more new members, so if you would like to learn more about what the PTA does and how you can be involved, please feel free to ask one of the friendly faces at the café or email [ptasecretary@stalbans.school.nz](mailto:ptasecretary@stalbans.school.nz) or [ptachairperson@stalbans.school.nz](mailto:ptachairperson@stalbans.school.nz)

We have started planning some fantastic fundraising events for the year ahead already, so keep an eye out for Entertainment Book orders later this month; delicious croissants in time for Easter; seeds for Spring, calendars in time for Christmas, and plenty more. Follow our 'St Albans School PTA' Facebook page to stay in the loop.

- ✂ **Friday Sausage Sizzle** - \$2 per sausage, gluten-free and vegetarian available on request. Order between 8.30am and 9am in the hall.
- ✂ **Volunteers Needed** – If you would like to volunteer for our sausage sizzle roster we would love your help. Options are taking orders on a Friday morning before school, or cooking sausages from 11.30am – 12.30pm, or serving from 12 - 1pm. Please pop your name on the roster in the Oak Leaf Café. There will be other volunteers there to show you the ropes.
- ✂ **Secondhand Uniforms** – Please call into the café in the mornings if you are interested in purchasing secondhand school uniform items.
- ✂ **Free Range Eggs** - Available every week in the Oak Leaf Café for \$5.50 per dozen. Just get your orders in by 9am Friday for collection the following Wednesday morning.

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Dyspraxia Fun Groups** - We are a non-profit organisation providing information, education and support to all people impacted by DCD/dyspraxia. Our organisation started in 1992 and formed our Fun Groups in 1994. We have three Fun Groups aimed at different ages groups, which we run on Saturdays during term time. Funlink 5 - 10 years, Funtween 10 - 13 years and Funteen 13 – 18 years of age. The groups participate in a programme put together and delivered by our team of enthusiastic supervisors. If you have a child or teen or know a child or teen with DCD/dyspraxia that would like to come and see if the group is for them, please contact Sue on 358 3249 or email [dyspraxia.centre@xtra.co.nz](mailto:dyspraxia.centre@xtra.co.nz).

**Maths and English tuition** - Boost your child's confidence and results with NumberWorks'nWords specialist after school tuition. We provide individualised tutoring in maths and English, tailored to the individual needs for each student. Phone Kimberly now for a free assessment and introductory lesson. Phone 358 7917 or for more information visit [www.numberworkswords.com/nz](http://www.numberworkswords.com/nz)

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## Childrens Art

- 1hr = \$20

- 2hrs = \$35

Casual or Term Booking  
- classes weekly

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Ph. 021  
243  
5955

SIGNIFICANCE OF CREATIVITY

- HELPS YOUR CHILD GROW  
IN MANY WAYS

- SUPPLEMENTS THEIR  
LEARNING

- DRAWING DEVELOPS A  
CHILD'S FINE MOTOR  
SKILLS

- ENHANCES A CHILD'S  
CREATIVITY

- HELPS A CHILD'S EMOTIONAL  
FUNCTIONING



**Experience 1 - New to art**  
**Experience 2 - Growing skills**  
**Experience 3 - Extension**



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