



ST ALBANS SCHOOL

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Kia ora whānau,

Yesterday I had the privilege of attending Te Tikanga Rua Reo's Manu Kōrero event. Manu Kōrero is a Māori speech competition that encourages fluency in Te Reo Māori. I was incredibly impressed by the tamariki's bravery as they stepped up and impressed us with their kōrero. Every single learner in Te Tikanga Rua Reo participated in this event, from five-year-olds to eleven-year-olds, those new to our kura and those new to our bi-lingual programme, everyone gave it their best.

Thank you to Hakui Stephanie and Matua Mikaere for the unenviable task of being judges. I must also acknowledge our kaiako and whānau for their support of our young tamariki.



Enrolment Zone Review

Our community survey closes tomorrow. Access the survey from the homepage of the school's website or return your completed paper version of our survey to the drop box outside the office.

Pool Key Ballot

This closes Tuesday 5th November. Visit <https://bit.ly/2MBKaLu> if you would like to have your name included in the ballot for a swimming pool key.



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Mana Ake Sessions

We are hosting two 'drop in' sessions for whānau

- Monday 4th November 8.45am - 10.45am
- Monday 25th November 8.45am - 10.45am

Book in your 15 minute time slot at the office.

Ngā mihi,

Ginnie and the team

NEW PUPILS

We welcome the following students who joined our school this week: Isabella, Quinn, Jack, Madison, Zayan and Inaaya.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Celebrating excellence in Mandarin at St Albans School - Last night a group of 17 children were selected to receive a prize for demonstrating excellent learning in Mandarin from St Albans School. The Chinese Prize Giving was held at St Margaret's College. The evening included the presentation of certificates from primary to tertiary level, a Chinese folk song, a Chinese dance and a demonstration of Kung Fu. We have been very fortunate this year to have had wonderful tuition from Qihang who has taught whole classes and extension groups across the school from Years 2 - 6.

The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Chinese culture and their language. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Qihang for all her expertise and hard work in providing our tamariki with wonderful engaging lessons.

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates: Pictured from left front:

Matilda, Hannah, Isabel, Eliza, Cameron, Viktor

Middle: Clark, Digby, Evan, Josh, Leo, Sam

Back row: Qihang, Emma, Fiona, Angie, Bella

Absent: Angel



Scholastic Book Orders – The last order for the year closes tomorrow on Friday 1st November. Orders to the office or online through the Scholastic LOOP system.

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Switch to Water Challenge

Begins tomorrow Friday 1st November

Bring the family on board and take the challenge!

Sugar sweetened beverages have a negative impact on our health and wellbeing, leading to tooth decay and contributing greatly to obesity and other health problems. Children are especially vulnerable, and we

want to encourage them to enjoy and choose water over sugary beverages for their own health benefits. St Albans School have registered for the annual Switch to Water Challenge. We invite our tamariki, whānau and kaiako to join in this challenge. **Challenge begins tomorrow Friday 1st November.**

St Albans is a water only school but we want to spread the message of the benefits of drinking water not just at school, but at home too. We are asking everyone to make water their drink of choice for 30 days in November and ditch the sugary drinks. New Zealand Olympian Eliza McCartney is back for the third year supporting challenge participants and promoting the benefits of choosing water over sugary drinks.

The aim of this 30 day challenge is to build better habits, with water becoming our students drink of choice over time.

****Save money***

****Promote healthy habits***

****Reduce plastic***

Share with your children now the benefits of drinking water!

PTA NEWS

- **Market Day is coming soon on Sunday 10th November!** Only a few adult stalls left at \$20 so be in quick – kids stalls sold out. It's looking to be an awesome event! Eliminate the need to have lots of coins on you at Market Day and purchase a kids fun pass on sale for \$10 in the café. How they work is it allows your child to purchase five \$2 items - they can then for example, purchase a pony ride, candy floss, face painting, bouncy castle session or a sausage all without the need to have cash on the day! Perfect solution! Kids can therefore determine what they want to spend their money on.
- **Sausage Sizzle Friday** - \$2 each with all sausages gluten free, vegetarian options also available. Sausage cards available for \$10 or \$20. Eftpos available at the café.



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COMMUNITY NOTICES



SURFKIDS – Children's Surfing Programme

Learn the skills of Surfing in a fun, safe environment. All equipment provided and professional instruction from Aaron Lock and team. For kids 8 - 14 years. Sundays 10am to 12pm. Dec / Jan Holidays: from 16th Dec, 10am -12pm. Cost \$35 per day or \$145 for five or \$270 for ten lessons. Bookings essential, lessons held in Sumner. Call Aaron on 0800 80 SURF (7873) or register online at surfcoach.co.nz

Light Party
ST ALBANS BAPTIST CHURCH
64 MCFADDENS RD
31st October
4.30-7PM
A Fantastic FREE night of Fun for the whole family
Sausage Sizzle

For more info, contact Kim Button at kim@nht.org.nz or 0276772472

Neighbourhood Trust, St Albans Baptist Church, St Albans Bowling Grounds, Church of Christ, CMM, The Trust Foundation

SPCA Great NZ Paws Walk
Walk with us on November 9 to raise vital funds to fight animal cruelty.
Location:
Time:
Register now at greatpawswalk.co.nz
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SASFC Summer Hub
18th October to 6th December 2019
First Kicks & Fun Football (4-8yrs)
• Every Friday from 3:45pm to 4:30pm
• Just \$80.00 for the 8-week programme
Skills Centre (9-14yrs)
• Every Friday from 4:45pm to 5:45pm
• Just \$90.00 for the 8-week programme
Just email registration@sasfootballclub with your player name, date of birth and contact phone number, and we'll do the rest!

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