

## 2017 TERM ONE DATES AND EVENTS:

2 Feb	First day back for Students Term 1
6 Feb	Waitangi Day - <b>No School</b>
2 Apr	Daylight Saving Ends (clocks go back 1 hour)
13 Apr	End of Term 1 (Thursday)
14-17 Apr	Easter
1 May	Term 2 Starts
5 June	Queens Birthday - <b>No School</b>

### Fortnightly Reminders:

#### ABSENT STUDENTS:

*IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE ABSENT FOR THE DAY OR LATE TO SCHOOL, PLEASE PHONE THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 07 849 3029 SO CORRECT ATTENDANCE CAN BE RECORDED.*

#### All Parents / Visitors:

All parents/visitors report to Reception upon arrival to school to SIGN IN.

### SPEED coming into School:

#### Important Safety Reminder

Road manners would also have vehicles exiting our carpark giving way to those coming in.



### THE RED PATH

*Please when bringing in or taking your children home, can we ask you all to keep to the red cobblestone paths. We are teaching our children to do this and by you using them that will be modelled and reinforced.*

*It will also reduce the risk of an accident happening.*

*Your assistance will be very much appreciated.*



## Hamilton North School Specialist Learning Centres

*Their potential will be maximized by offering them new challenges and opportunities.*

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Principal's Corner

**Welcome Back**

Welcome back to what will be an exciting year! It is great to see so many smiling and happy students, staff members and families. I know the teachers have many interesting experiences and learning opportunities planned as part of their curriculum this term. I would especially like to welcome the following:

#### **New Students:**

*Sarah Pellew, Lyric Smith, Luxmia Nuku, Ivan Faatuli, Shaydon-Cooper Campbell, Thomas Tumai, Sophie White, Courtney Davies, Simon Liu, Sebastian Chamberlain, Zane Preston.*

**Teachers:** *Kieran McBride- Base 6 and Alle McGill-Rototuna Satellite.*

#### **Support Staff:**

*Jesses McKinnon, Kerrin Sawyer, Patricia Katipa, Karen McPake, Kevin Stokes, Luke Sheperdson and Jenny Cameron.*

*We welcome them and their families to our school and wish them well for their time with us.*

#### **TRANSPORT REMINDERS:**

If you have shifted house or changed carers over the holidays you will need to fill out a **NEW Transport Application** for your child. Shifting out of zone can also mean losing transport, so please see me ASAP as the application takes up to two weeks to be processed by the Ministry of Education.

If your child is sick can you please let the bus company know on 021314442 Lynda (Hamilton Area), 021747191 Joanne (Huntly/ Ngaruawahia/Waipā Areas) or 021759084 Greg (Te Awamutu Area).

**Quote: 'Nothing ventured, nothing gained.'**

Tony Kane  
Principal



### School Based Immunisations

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Public health nurses will be delivering two school-based immunisation programmes in your child's school this year.

#### Year Seven Students

These students will be offered the Boostrix vaccine which is a booster for their early childhood immunisations of tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (whooping cough). This is the same vaccination that would have been given to your child at 4 years age if you consented. Information about the year seven programme will be given to students at school and this session may include watching the Ministry of Health Presentation on Year Seven Immunisations and is designed specifically for this age group. At this information session, your child will be given a consent form to bring home for you to read and choose whether or not to have your child immunised by the Public Health Nurses at school. Whether you choose to immunise or not, the form needs to be returned to school.

#### Year Eight Students

From 1 January 2017, Males and Females aged 9 to 26 inclusive (i.e. under 27 years) will be eligible for HPV (Human Papillomavirus) immunisation. The focus has historically been on cervical cancer prevention for women but increasing evidence has emerged of the impact of other HPV related cancers on men so both groups will now be offered this vaccine free of charge. This vaccine will be given in two doses 6 months apart. Information will be given to the students about the HPV vaccination programme at school. This may include viewing the Ministry of Health presentation about the *HPV Vaccine Information and is* for the year 8 age group.

**Your child will be given a consent form to bring home for you to choose whether or not to have your child immunised by the Public Health Nurses at school.** Information on the immunisations is included on the consent form which will be given to your son / daughter at the information session. Please complete the consent form and answer all the questions and return the form to school. If your child is not being vaccinated at school you still need to fill in the section with your child's name and details on it. Please check with your doctor or practice nurse if you are unsure if your child has had a tetanus injection in the last two years.

For further information on these vaccines phone **0800 IMMUNE (466 863)**

Public Health Nurse  Vicki Patrick  Ph 07 838 3565 ext 22136

**JOIN US FOR**

# StarJam's Summer Picnic

**Saturday 11 February**  
**12pm to 2pm**  
**Claudlands Park Playground**

Families are welcome!  
Please bring your own food and drinks.

There will be  
music, games and  
a chance to show  
off your talent!!

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