



What's the hAPS?

11th April 2024

Dear parents/caregivers

Well done to all students and families that participated in Sunday's Shore to Shore Fun Run/Walk—and yes it was more than 5km! Our Albany Rabbits looked fantastic (including Mr T in full costume)! We hope you enjoyed your morning out. The school will receive a percentage of the entry fee from our 92 registered participants towards sports and PE equipment. Thank you to staff Aimee Redknap, Shari Turner and Faron Turner for attending. Photos on Page 3.

The ANZAC public holiday falls during our school holidays. Refer to page 2 for details regarding our local ANZAC service at the Albany Coronation Hall (corner Library Lane and Albany Highway). This day is a deeply meaningful commemoration for Australia and New Zealand and I encourage you to attend with your family if you have not attended a service before. On page 4 is information about our school's wall of remembrance.

We farewell Area 4's class teacher, Daniella Roelofse, who is taking maternity leave and we wish her all the very best. Welcome to Sana Ahmed who will be our new teacher in Area 4. We look forward to welcoming Anneliese Restall-Shaw appointed as our third Deputy Principal in Week 5 of Term 2 (introduction below).

HUGE thanks to the many parents that have been able to make their school donations. This financial support enables us to purchase additional resources as well as upkeep on all of our playgrounds. If you would like to make this donation (or even part of it) you can still claim a partial refund from IRD in the 2025 tax year. We are currently seeking grants to support turf courts laid in front of our new build, as well as interactive play spaces that we have been fundraising for.

Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable break at the end of this week. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 29th April for our Term 2 start. As this will be our 'wet and rainy' term with cross country for our years 3-6, we remind all parents to ensure students have a spare set of clothes in their bags (this does not have to be school uniform), and sensible shoes that allow running and playground fun. We do not recommend students **wear crocs, jandals or gumboots** for PE or cross country sessions. We still have a number of size 4 and 6 secondhand sweatshirts in the school office available for parents to help themselves to, as well as assorted uniform in our 'donated uniform' box outside the main office.

Together in learning,

Maree Bathurst, Principal

Kia ora tātou, My name is Anneliese Restall-Shaw and I'm extremely excited to be joining your Albany Primary Whānau next Term.

I have worked for many years in the Education sector. Prior to teaching, I worked for eight years in a number of training establishments at Tertiary level as an Administration Manager. I then trained as a primary school teacher and had the pleasure and privilege of securing my first teaching position at Greenhithe School where I taught for 13 years.

Since relocating to the Hibiscus Coast, I have been teaching at Whangaparāoa Primary School. I have a great deal of experience in leadership roles, including as Curriculum Leader, Within School Leader and Across School Leader for your Whānau ki te Ako.

I have a passion for leading change. I believe in people's potential and supporting others to reach their goals. I love working as part of a team and can't wait to get to know your tamariki, whānau, kaiako and Albany 'way of being'.



TERM 1 2024

Term dates: 1st February—Friday 12th April

3rd—5th April	Year 5/6 North Harbour Sport—Bikes in Schools
4th April	Board meeting, 6.00pm
5th April	Year 3/4 Surfing, Areas 10, 11 and 39
12th April	Last day of Term 1, school closes at the usual time of 2.55pm

TERM 2 2024

Term dates: 29th April—5th July

26th April	School office open for enrolment enquiries, 9.00am-12.00noon
29th April	First day of Term 2
30th April	Pōwhiri welcome assembly, 9.10am on the school courts
1st—2nd May	Year 1-4 bike safety
7th May	Year 1-4 bike safety
7th May	North Shore swimming championships for select students
8th May	FOS (Friends of the School) meeting, 6.00pm in the staffroom, all welcome to attend
14th May	Year 5/6 camp parent helper meeting, 6.00pm
21st May	Year 3-6 cross country (rainsaver: 23rd May)
23rd May	Board meeting
27th-29th May	Year 5/6 Camp 1 (Areas 21, 22, 24, 32)
29th-31st May	Year 5/6 Camp 2 (Areas 25, 26, 28, 29)
3rd June	King's birthday—public holiday— school closed
4th June	MOE approved—teacher only day— school closed
7th June	Year 6 experience day
10th-12th June	Year 5/6 Camp 3 (Areas 23, 30, 31)
12th June	Interschool cross country TBC (rainsaver: 14th June TBC) (for select students)
25th June	School class and individual photos
25th June	Northern Bays school cross country TBC (for select students)
26th June	School class and individual photos—rollover day, if required
26th June	Year 6 Netball North Harbour Field day TBC
28th June	Matariki—public holiday— school closed
1st July	School 'athon' fundraiser commences
3rd-4th July	Student Led Conferences, 3.30pm-6.30pm— change from earlier advice
5th July	Last day of Term 2, school closes at the usual time of 2.55pm



An ANZAC Commemoration Service will be held at 11.00am on 25th April at the Albany Coronation Hall (corner Library Lane and Albany Highway).

A small morning tea will be provided afterwards.

Many thanks to students that will be attending to lay a wreath on behalf of Albany Primary School.



SHORE TO
SHORE
FUN RUN/
WALK



The Harcourts Cooper & Co Shore to Shore 2024 exceeded all expectations, proving to be a super successful day along the sunny shores. The event drew close to 4000 participants, ranging from 62 schools! Albany Primary School students were keen to push their limits and run the course enjoying the giveaways at the end. Due to the success of the event, we will look at adding this to our 2025 calendar!



SCHOOL BUSES—NO LONGER A FREE SERVICE

This information has been emailed to parents of students catching our school buses—if your child catches the school bus and you did not receive the email please contact Jan in the school office (jmunroe@albany.school.nz)

We have received the following advice from Auckland Transport:

Free travel for 5 to 12 year olds and half-price travel for 13 to 24 year olds on AT bus, train and ferry services will end on 30 April 2024, in line with the government’s decision to withdraw funding for these concessions.

This means that from Wednesday 1 May:

5 to 12 year olds will no longer travel for free on weekdays and will instead pay a child concession (at least 40% off adult fares). They will continue to travel for free on weekends. The child concession will apply to anyone aged 5 to 15, who has a registered AT HOP card with their correct date of birth.

Rotary



Albany Rotary Community Partnership Raffle



Prizes for the raffle are:

- 1st Prize:** Jetsetter 3 person spa pool from Hotspring Spas valued at \$30,000
- 2nd Prize:** 2 nights accommodation at Tuscan Lane Holiday Home in Martinborough, includes \$1,000 towards travelling costs for up to 6 guests. Valued at \$1,800
- 3rd Prize:** Weber BBQ valued at \$1,000
- 4th Prize:** 6 month gym membership at TOM FIT valued at \$520
- 5th Prize:** 2x dinner vouchers for Caffè e Cucina Albany \$300

In conjunction with Albany Rotary, FOS are selling \$5 raffle tickets (with 50% of proceeds to Albany Primary School). Tickets are available from the school office (or pay online using your child’s name and raffle as the reference, and we will get tickets delivered to your child’s class).

Ticket sales close Friday 17th May.

Following on from our articles of our Community Heritage Garden and the Native Garden, we continue with our school features focus on our **Wall of Remembrance**



ANZAC WALL OF REMEMBRANCE

16,697 New Zealanders were killed and 41,317 were wounded during World War I. A further thousand men died within five years of the war's end as a result of injuries sustained, and 507 died while training in New Zealand between 1914 and 1918.

The Fields of Remembrance Trust was established to provide Kiwis with the opportunity to honour those who served their country in World War I, and together with the Ministry of Education formed a partnership to support all schools and kura in commemorating the sacrifice of our veterans in the first modern war; a war that engulfed most of the planet.

In early 2015 each school and kura was given 30 white crosses to commemorate the men and women who died for New Zealand. Each cross was named to include local soldiers and nurses; four New Zealand Victoria Cross recipients; the youngest New Zealander (aged 17); and an All Black captain. One of the crosses was labelled with the words "known unto God" to commemorate the 'unknown soldier'. At Albany Primary School, a memorial with the reminder 'lest we forget' was created on the staffroom wall (facing the courts) to display these crosses.

Albany Memorial Library (corner Library Lane) was built as a standing memorial. The east window of the library commemorates the Great War 1914 to 1918. A brick fireplace inside incorporates a marble memorial tablet which records the names of the 23 local men who gave their lives during the First World War (a total of 77 men from the district volunteered). Another plaque honours seven from the Second World War.

With ANZAC day being commemorated on 25th April, this is a timely reminder to stop and remember the sacrifices made to ensure our way of life in New Zealand.



Why do we wear poppies on ANZAC Day?

Remembrance poppies are produced by veterans' associations, who exchange the poppies for charitable donations used to give financial, social and emotional support to members and veterans of the armed forces. In New Zealand this is through the RSA (Returned Servicemen's Association).

Inspired by the war poem "In Flanders Fields" by Moina Michael, they were first used near the end of World War I.

PRESCHOOL YEARS TOOL BOX PARENTING COURSE

Toolbox by
Parenting Place



Tuesday 30th April-Tuesday 4th June (6 weeks)

7-9pm

Albany Community Hub
575 Albany Highway, Albany

Costing: Free as grant provided (normally \$125 per couple and \$90 per individual)

Contact **Odele** via email odeleh@abcbaptist.org.nz **OR** go to parentingplace.nz/toolbox to book your spot.

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HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

ALBANY PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEK 1

Mon 15 April	Tues 16 April	Wed 17 April	Thurs 18 April	Fri 19 April
KELLY CLUB NINJAS	RAINFOREST ADVENTURE	TRIP DAY: KUNG FU PANDA 4	HUMAN BOARD GAMES	WHEELS DAY

WEEK 2

Mon 22 April	Tues 23 April	Wed 24 April	Thurs 25 April	Fri 26 April
			PROGRAMME NOT ON TODAY	
ROCK 'N' ROLL	SERGEANTS & SOLDIERS	MONEY MATTERS	ANZAC DAY	BALLS & BUBBLES

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