



What's the hAPS?

8th May 2024

Dear parents/caregivers

Welcome back to Term 2. We have been enjoying the beautiful sunny autumn days but we also know that the rainy days and mud may be a mere cloud burst away. To ensure your child is prepared (and you don't get the dreaded phone call from the office to come to school with a clean set of clothes) please make sure that your child has a spare set of clothes in their bag (this does not have to be school uniform).

Term 2
Our busy term commenced with our Pōwhiri assembly to welcome new families and new teachers to our school. Our Year 1-4 students have been having fun with their outdoor learning about safe scooter and cycling rules with the fantastic Wheels in Schools programme run by Auckland Travelwise. Areas 1 and 20 will be the final group participating on 6th June. The start of this term has also seen our curious learners working through a series of challenges to identify what our Ignite focus for the term was—DISCOVER. Our Year 5-6 students are looking forward to attending their upcoming overnight camps and our Year 3-6 students are building on their fitness as they train for our upcoming cross-country. Please note a change of date in our school calendar to the afternoons of 3rd/4th July for our Student Led Conferences.

New block and building developments
Our library refurbishment is nearing completion. Our new build is progressing quickly with the potential that we may be able to move some teams into the new spaces early next term. When this occurs all of the prefabs (modulocks) that are currently located on the field will be removed. The field and bike track upgrade will then follow. So potentially there is still another term before the field and bike track can be reinstated.

Thank you for your patience with construction on site including limited use of the school courts for our netball team training. We understand that parking on Bass Road is reduced with staff and site workers also parking here—however parents cannot park in Aria Gardens or our staff carparks, in driveways/blocking footpaths. Please consider using our drop off/pick up bay or alternative road parking.

Do you have a family online Treaty or Agreement? Please find a link to [Hector's World](#) which has a series of suggestions and resources for you to use with your children to support you to help them remain digitally safe.

EPISODE 1



EPISODE 1 - PARENT CONVERSATION GUIDE

Young people are growing up with greater access to digital technology than any other generation. This guide provides useful background information about online safety and conversation starters to help parents and caregivers understand how and why their tamariki go online.

Together in learning

Maree Bathurst, Principal



TERM 2 2024

Term dates: 29th April—5th July

14th May	Year 5/6 camp parent helper meeting, 6.00pm
17th May	Pink shirt day, gold coin donation to go to the Mental Health Foundation. Wear a pink shirt (or clothing of colours pink, red or white, or multicoloured) — new date
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 July	Student Led Conferences, 3.30pm-5.30pm (change of date)
4th July	Student Led Conferences, 3.30pm-5.00pm (change of date)
5th July	Last day of Term 2, school closes at the usual time of 2.55pm

PINK SHIRT DAY

Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

On Friday 17th May, along with many other organisations in New Zealand we will be holding a Pink Shirt Day. Students are encouraged to wear clothes with pink, red or white, or multi colours to show their support. A gold coin donation is encouraged as all donations support the Mental Health Foundation.

Pink Shirt Day is about working together to stop bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting kindness and inclusiveness.



The Mental Health Foundation of New Zealand (MHFNZ) has run the campaign since 2012, inspiring tangata to **Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!**

Celebrated annually around the globe, Pink Shirt Day began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against homophobic bullying after a new student was harassed for wearing pink.

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.

Introducing

Some of our new staff to
Albany Primary School 2024

ANNELIESE RESTALL-SHAW

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

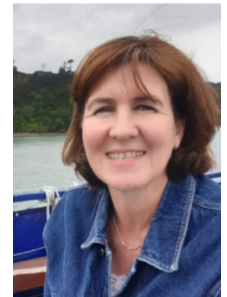
I have a great deal of experience in leadership roles, including as Curriculum Leader, Within School Leader and Across School Leader for your Whānau ki te Ako.

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'.



LIDA BREDEKAMP

Kia ora! My name is Lida Bredenkamp and I am so excited to have joined the Albany School community as Area 30's new class teacher. I am an experienced school teacher originally from South Africa and have 12 years teaching experience. In my spare time I love to walk and listen to audio books. I love spending time with my family and we make use of the holidays to explore this beautiful country. I am looking forward to the new term and having the opportunity to get to know all of my amazing students and their families.



SUMMER JOHNSON

My name is Summer Johnson and I am new to Albany Primary School this year as a year 3/4 teacher in Area 10. Before becoming a primary school teacher, I taught dance and musical theatre for six years in Dunedin, which is where I grew up. I have spent many years involved in and committed to the arts, studying Music and English Literature before moving into teaching. In my spare time, I enjoy catching up with my family, reading fiction, playing the piano, singing, and dancing. I am looking forward to the rest of the year



NADINE KEYZER

Kia ora! My name is Nadine Keyzer and I am pleased to have joined Albany Primary School in the Year 5/6 team as Area 32's teacher. I have had the privilege of working in many schools in South Africa and New Zealand over the past 8 years, both as a teacher and a teacher aide.



JOJO WU

Kia ora! I'm Jojo Wu, and I'm delighted to be part of the Albany School community as the class teacher for Area 39. With 11 years of teaching experience, including 7 years as a Math Teacher in China and 4 years as a Classroom Teacher in Auckland, I bring diverse experience and passion to the classroom. In our learning environment, I find inspiration in gardening, where I witness the growth of life and the beautiful cycle of the four seasons. I'm looking forward to the upcoming term and the opportunity to embark on a learning adventure together.



TRICIA CARLSON

Tēnā koe! My name is Tricia Carlson and I am so excited to have joined the Albany School community as Area 14's new class teacher. I am passionate about teaching and nurturing positive relationships with tamariki, whānau and the School community. In my spare time I love playing netball, spending time with my family and traveling. I look forward to meeting all of my amazing students and their families.



SARAH RICHARDSON

Kia ora! My name is Sarah Richardson and I'm very excited to be here at Albany as the student teacher in Area 25! I'm a University student from Indiana in the United States, and I'm in the 4th year of my degree in Elementary Education. When I have free time, I like biking and reading. I'm looking forward to my time at Albany Primary School! I hope to learn a lot and get to know the students and families.



ELOISE ZHOU

Dajiahao! My name is Zhou Xiaobao and I'm from China. I'm so lucky to have joined Albany Primary School and to teach Mandarin here this year. Last year I was in Hamilton teaching Mandarin. In my spare time I've explored a lot of New Zealand this year hope to do more. I love this beautiful and amazing country that I am lucky enough to spend my joyful time in.



The ANZAC service held at Albany Coronation Hall was a moving event with student speakers from Pinehurst School, Albany Senior High School and the Royal New Zealand Air Force. We would like to acknowledge our students who laid a memorial wreath on behalf of Albany Primary School. Many thanks also to staff that attended.

Community Orchard

In this edition on different features around our school grounds we will be focusing on our Community Orchard.

Gary and Lucy Douglas, Harcourts Albany were the instigators in creating our Community Orchard. They presented a three tiered plan to the School which we were grateful to accept and work together to complete the project.

Following two school community working bees in 2019 to plant the trees and spread mulch, Gary and Lucy (along with Jim and other team members) worked tirelessly through the January and February heat of early 2020 to hand lay a cobbled pathway to complete the third stage.

The family fun day held on 6th March 2020 was the perfect opportunity to officially open the Community Orchard and to officially acknowledge our thanks to Gary and Lucy Douglas and the Harcourts Albany team, with assistance from Jim and Liana, Coco Inc for a grant of \$5,500 towards paver and Knights Nurseries for mulch and our school community for working bees to plant, weed and spread mulch.

Since this time it has been a joy for all students to watch the trees flower and bear fruit, and continue to flourish.



Present Day



Official Opening

