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Important Dates

9-10 Sept Year 4 Camp

16th Sept Y6 visit to Maidstone Intermediate

17th Sept Dance Splash



From the Principal

Lockdown Message and Home Learning

At the time of writing this newsletter, we are in level 3 after experiencing a short and sharp lockdown. The government's lockdown decision came swiftly and left little time for students, staff & whānau to prepare. Even so, it has been heartening to see the Fraser Crescent School community work within these constraints and help our Fraser Kids learn, albeit in a different way. Student learning has moved predominantly online with scheduled Zoom meetings in classes, different online learning & individual projects undertaken. Thank you to our amazing Fraser Crescent School staff for working to move to online teaching and provide learning opportunities for our tamariki at such short notice. We recognise for many parents; lockdown learning can be stressful. Alongside working from home, balancing learning for students and a family's day to day needs, lockdown can be busy! Our goal in providing activities for your child to do is to help keep some sense of normality and work habits maintained. Learning from home may look very different to normal. For example, a walk in your local area with your bubble people, learning to play a new board game or reading a book out in the sun are all great ways to learn. We are all looking forward to returning to school in level 2, however on a positive side, lockdown & level 3 has also provided students time to complete additional Fraser Quests. I will include a few examples of some of the amazing quests sent in. Special mention goes to Milo for his outstanding Fraser Tower, quest challenge. Mrs Jenkins set the challenge for students to use our Upper Hutt CBD Tower as inspiration to make a Fraser Tower. It has been cool to see some of these creations online, and see how creative our kids are!

EDUCA

Many of these Fraser Quests and other home learning opportunities have been shared with class teachers via the app, EDUCA. This app has once again proven to be a good way to keep the connection between home and school strong. Thank you to those parents who regularly check EDUCA for updates. If you are having trouble connecting on EDUCA or want to know how to get onto this app, email Aaron Work aaron@frasercrest.school.nz and he can point you in the right direction.

Onesie Day Celebrations, Bubble School style!

We would have loved to have been enjoying Onesie Day together today to recognize the tremendous work of the Wellington Free Ambulance. The Ambulance service is trying to raise \$250,000 for an emergency ambulance and Onesie Day is their main appeal to achieve this goal. Feel free to go online to donate and support Wellington Free Ambulance on <https://www.onesieday.co.nz/>

Thanks to our Fraser Ambassadors, Issy and Kade, with the help of Michelle T, for organising our Onesie Day at home event, we are looking forward to seeing some of the wacky Onesie Day pics roll in.



Year 4 Camp Update

This most recent lockdown has thrown a spanner in the works for Year 4 Camp on Thursday 9th & Friday 10th September. However, at this stage, **Year 4 Camp is scheduled to go ahead**. The alert levels are due to be reassessed early next week so we remain hopeful camp will be able to go ahead at level 2. If we stay at level 3 and/or the zoo is unable to go ahead with the sleepover from their end, we will look to arrange an alternative experience. At this stage it is wait and see; we can make plans once we know what is what. Year 4 parents will be informed as soon as a decision is made. In the meantime, please continue to send in camp forms as usual so we are ready to go.



UH Cultural Fest Cancelled

Unfortunately, another implication of lockdown and covid level changes has been the cancellation of this year's Upper Hutt Schools Cultural Festival, originally scheduled for week 10 of this term. Last year's festival also had to go online so hopefully our children will still get an opportunity to perform even if it is just virtually.



Hutt Fest – Video Performance Link

The amazing Hutt Festival performance video is now available for viewing online by going to the following link. <https://youtu.be/qdJfW1AcJSs> If you just want to see Fraser Crescent School's performance, you need to start the video clip about 1 hour and 6 minutes into the video. It is well worth a watch and a high quality video.



School Photos

School photos were taken on Monday 2nd August 2021. You can still order photos on-line using the following link <https://orders.lcscott.co.nz/ordering/with?key=eb5vbccg> .



Board Elections will be held in May 2022. If you are interested in the work the Board does and think you might like to be involved please contact me – principal@frasercres.school.nz or leave your name with Kathie at the office.

Ngā mihi nui,
John Channer
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Fraser Quest – Lockdown Week 2: Milo's Fraser Tower

I made a Fraser tower out of a big old box. I cut the windows myself with a craft knife and coloured the whole thing in with rainbow fraser colours. I made lego Minifigures to put in the windows. Each one is a different Fraser value! At the bottom is lots of crazy cool random rainbow fraser people in the tower.

