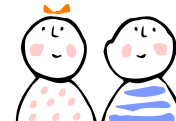


# Newsletter 07

19th May 2020



## Dates to Remember

Friday 22nd May  
Monday 25th May

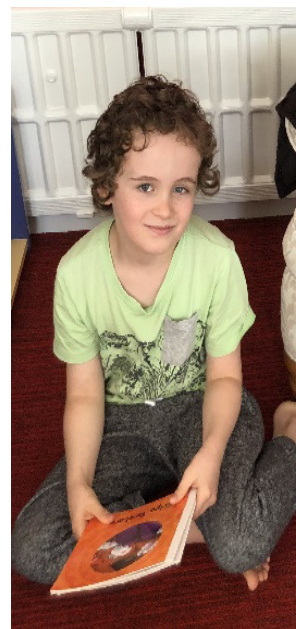
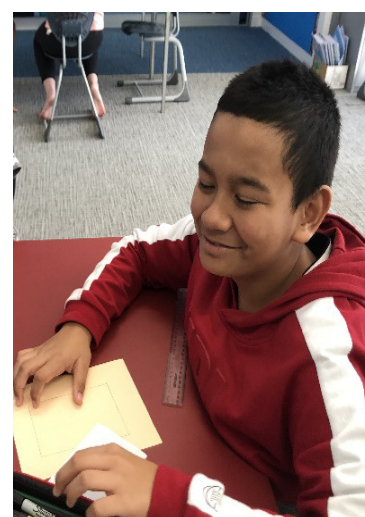
## School Roll 202

EZ Lunch - hot and cold lunches ordered online (by 9:00am) and delivered today.  
Sushi orders collected from the school office at 9.00am for Tuesday lunchtime delivery.

**Hei waka eke noa! - We are in this together!**

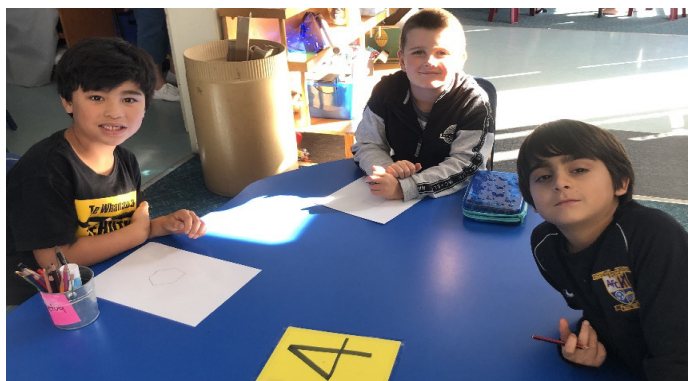
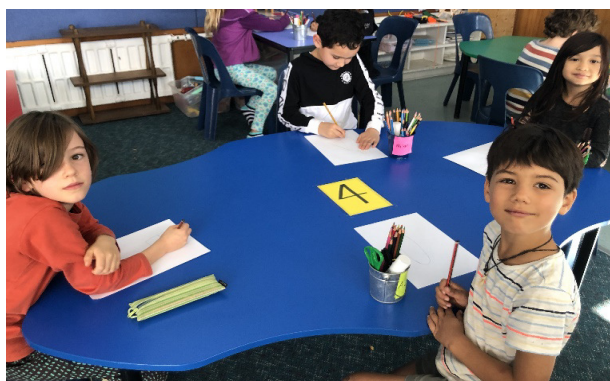
## Nau Mai, Haere Mai!

Welcome back everyone. It was fantastic to see nearly 90% of our children return to school on Monday. Those who did, seemed to adjust wonderfully well to the rather strange experience of farewelling whānau at the gate. The juniors were welcomed back to school by a posse of superhero teachers and teacher aides!



Children settled into school and were full of chatter about all the learning they had accomplished and experiences they had over the seven weeks away. It is a tribute to whānau to see them return so positively.





Some children will have felt anxious returning to school; others will have felt sadness at the 'loss' of their bubble, wanting to remain at home; others will have felt excited to see their friends and be back in the familiar surroundings of school. Most will have felt a mixture of emotions. Children, and all of us, need calm brains for optimal learning of new material and to integrate new knowledge and skills with what we already know. Our job, as children return to school, is to get them relaxed and in a calm state so that they are able to learn.

By the afternoon, many of the children (and ALL of the staff!) felt quite sleepy! It will take us all a while to adjust to life back at school and work. It was lovely to see the children relaxed, listening to stories at the end of the day.



Families who are still experiencing some anxiety over sending children back to school, please contact your child's class teacher or me and we will talk through how we can best support you to help get your tamariki back to class.

We realise that everyone has had a different experience of lockdown. At school we are using the analogy of a storm: We have all been in the same storm but in different boats. For some it will have been a fantastic opportunity to reconnect with whānau and take life at a slower pace; for others there will have been real challenges to manage and overcome; for many it will have been a mixture of the two. Some of our families will continue to experience difficulties, especially with changes in employment. If things have been particularly difficult for you, let us know. We can keep a special eye out for your child and may be able to help in other ways too.



We are taking things gently at school, allowing children time and space to reconnect with their friends, classmates and the adults at school. It is important to get back to the learning but it is also vital to give children the opportunity to share some of their experiences of lockdown and tell us about the learning they did over that period of time too.

### School Chromebooks

If your child borrowed one of the school Chromebooks over the lockdown, please return it to school tomorrow. Your child should hand it in to Marianne who will ensure your name is ticked off the list.

### Assembly on Friday

We will not be able to invite whānau to join us for assembly for a little while, so we will be having Friday assemblies on google meet. If you would like to join us, click on this link <https://meet.google.com/sjz-ehsb-bzc?hs=122&authuser=0> at just after 9am on Friday!

### Good News!

For those of you who were a bit off grid during lockdown, these are the three bouncing Bayswater babies we gained during our time away. Left to right are: Poppy (Kim's baby); Amira (Amy's baby) and Darcy (Lisa's baby). All are well. Also during lockdown, we had two new grandparents. Congratulations Dianne whose daughter welcomed Alexander (Dianne's second grandchild) and Bill, whose son welcomed Alistair (Bill's first grandchild).



### Drop Off and Pick Up

The children are coping really well with the new arrangements for drop off and pick up at school. Today we made a slight adjustment, to ensure the seniors and middles going home with younger siblings were ready to depart with them, via Roberts Avenue at 3pm.

As there have been none of the anticipated bottlenecks, from tomorrow, we will be welcoming children to school through the Roberts Avenue or Bayswater Avenue gates from 8:40am regardless of whether they are seniors or juniors. From now on, simply drop your child at the most convenient gate. Junior staff will still be at the gates on Roberts Avenue to welcome children and take them to class, so if your junior aged child would still benefit from this, please ensure s/he continues to be dropped off on that side of school.

At home time, we will continue to allow children in the front block (Rooms 1 to 6) to leave school at 2:45pm if we can see their caregiver on Bayswater Avenue. At 3pm, those children who have not been collected, will be released and allowed to make their way to whichever is the most convenient gate for them to leave by. Juniors will continue to be brought to their whānau on Roberts Avenue. If we make any further adjustments to drop off and pick up, we will alert whānau by email and also on the SkoolLoop app.



### Recipes from our Bubble

Don't forget, one of our TAs, Jude Winnie, is still collecting recipes which people enjoyed during lockdown. If you have one to contribute, please send it to [jude@bayswaterschool.nz](mailto:jude@bayswaterschool.nz). You can send the recipe and/or photos of it being made or eaten and/or hand drawn pictures of it. This is a lovely project to work on with your child.

### Congratulations Norah!

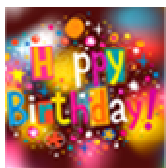
Norah is one of four proud winners of a lockdown t-shirt design competition run by the Jesse Mulligan show on Radio New Zealand National. Her shirt will be printed and go on sale. It will be available for purchase online with \$5 of every sale going to a charity of Norah's choice. Well done Norah!

**Lindsay Child**  
Tumuaki / Principal



## Waterwise

The Y6 children will not be participating in Waterwise this term. We will be making a decision about continuing Waterwise in Term 4.



### Upcoming Birthdays

## Happy Birthday to...

Gabe Ansley 9, Patrick Tyler 9, Louie Brodie 8,  
Leleia Parker 11 and Nicole Rossi 7.

We hope you have a wonderful time celebrating your special day with family and friends!



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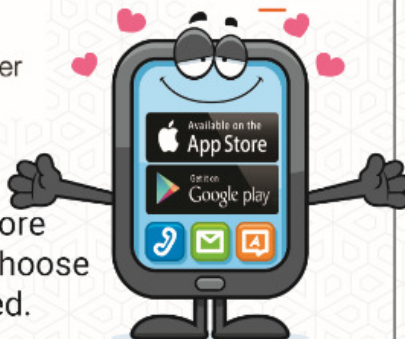
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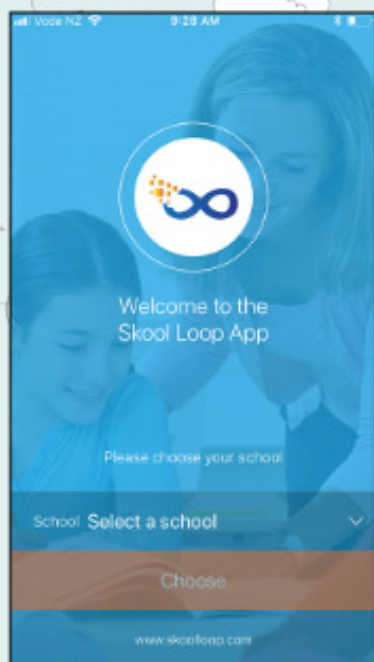


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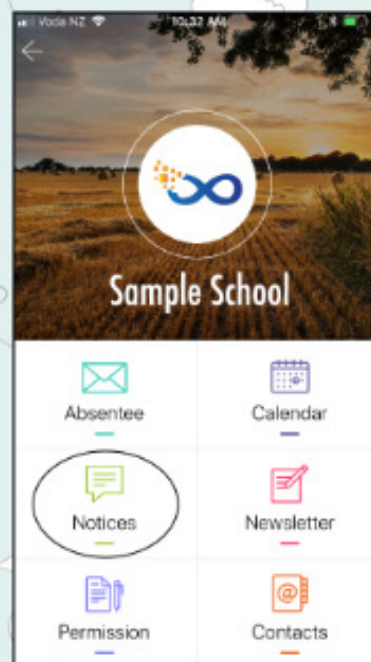


# How to join notice groups & receive notifications via our app

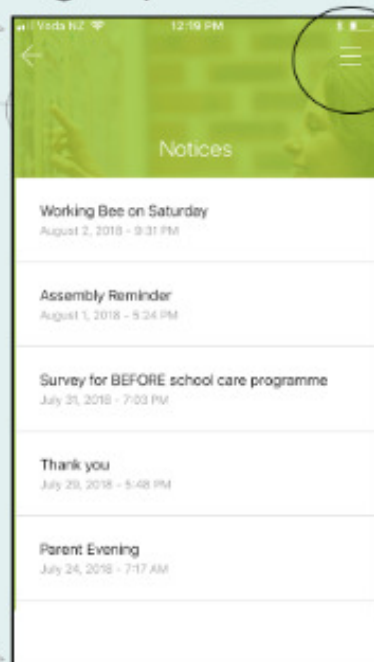
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2) Open our school & tap on notices



3) Tap to open the groups menu



4) Tick the groups you want to join!

