

COSGROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER - Thursday 20th November - Issue 16



MISSION STATEMENT: *To improve learning outcomes by building a 'kind' school through engaging our whole community to Value learning, themselves and others.*

From Mr Klein's Desk

*Kia Ora, **Sali bonane**, Talofa Lava, **Malo Ni**, Malo e lelei, **Kia Orana**, Sabai Di, **Namaste**, Chao, **Kamon Achen**, Hi, **fakalofa lahi atu**, Hola, **Sous day**, Nee Hao Ma, **An young ha se yo**, Sawat di kap, **Bula**, Ciao, **Mobuhay**, Kumusta, **Askan**, Dobro, **Jutro**, Namaskar, **Dobry den**, Halo Olaketa, **Marhaba**, Uraho, **Welkom**, Mauri.*

We have less than three weeks of school and lots happening.

Firstly, you may have heard that there is coloured Magic Sand which has just been taken off the market as it may contain asbestos. We took precautions with any sand that was suspected to be part of this recall. We isolated it and on the initial inspection by an expert he feels what we have is safe. We will know for sure once it is fully tested. This sand has been sold to preschools, schools and also it could be purchased from different outlet stores to the general public. Some of the sand found here did come from homes, purchased by parents. There is a high probability that it is ok, but you can't take that risk. If you have purchased this sand, you may need to follow the steps in this newsletter.

From time to time, we get an outbreak of scabies. We have not had one for a long time. Please, be vigilant and read the information attached to this newsletter. Also, as a reminder, nits are always a problem in any school, but we do have available, free, hair product and combs to treat them. Please contact your child's teacher or the office if you are in need.

We were proud to present our Cultural Diversity Day last week on Friday. It was an enjoyable afternoon, and we thank everyone for their participation and support during that day. We also had sKids (a before and after school care organisation) who were very busy face painting. We are hoping to have after school care available here at Cosgrove next year if there is enough interest from our whanau.

Coming up to finish the year:

Bounce – if your child has been away three or less days before we go to bounce, they will be going. Strike Day is not included as an away day.

Special Assemblies – We will be having two special assemblies to farewell two long standing and well-respected staff members. Mrs Rout on 1st December and Mrs Goslin on 2nd December. Any community member wishing to come is more than welcome. Both will start at 1.45pm. Kinuaa Ewels has been at Cosgrove School for 10 years and is moving onwards and upwards to a new school. We will acknowledge her at an assembly starting at 9:15 on December 3rd.

Year 6 Graduation Dinner – This will be on the evening of 4 December.

End of Year Reports – These will be going home on the 4 December.

Christmas Assembly – 5 December starting at 1.00pm

Gus Klein | Principal



EVENTS

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR.

Notices will be given to your Child closer to the time when needed for each event. School assembly's are held every Friday at 2:15 in the School hall, everyone is welcome to attend.

Thursday 27th November	- Service to the school reward day
Friday 28th November	- Choir - Carols in the Park Evening
Thursday 4th December	- Junior syndicate rewards day - Year 6 Graduation - Reports home
Friday 5th December	- Christmas assembly at 1:00 pm
Monday 8th December	- Bounce reward day
Tuesday 9th December	- Year 5/6 rewards day
Wednesday 10th December	- Last day of term. Assembly at 12:30, 1pm school finishes
Monday 2nd February 2026	- Term 1 starts

Play

Each week Whaea Alesha monitors behaviour in the playground and at the Friday assembly she gives us a score out of 10. If we are good enough to get a 10, we get extra play time



In week 6, we received

Positives:

- Most of us are wearing our hats

Challenges:

- Children are not using kind hands
- Playing in out of bounds areas
- Hats are being taken off each other

Hopefully we can do better next week!

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EAGLE AWARDS

Each fortnight we give certificates to one child from each class who follow the 6 Kinds and fly like an eagle! From those, four students (1 each from NE/Y1, Y2&3, Y4, Y5&6) are chosen as our **BIG EAGLES**!

Here are our winners from the last fortnight. Well done Eagles!!!



Our Big Eagles: Richard Lim, Georgina Vaifale, Manrehman Kaur (absent), Amirah Khan (absent)

<u>Junior:</u>	NE/ Year 1
Kereru B	<u>Guntaaz Singh</u>
Pahurehure	<u>Sahebaaz Singh</u>
Piwakawaka B	<u>Bunny Williams-Manukau</u>
Tui B	<u>Eveleen Dhillon</u>
Turanga	<u>Amirah Khan</u>
	Year 2/3
Kereru A	<u>Josephine Khalil</u>
Kopuera	<u>Laylia Smith-Togiakona</u>
Taihiki	<u>Naomi Uhatahi</u>
Piwakawaka A	<u>Opheira Gibbons</u>
Pukekiwi	<u>Aanvi Sajwan</u>
Puketutu	<u>Isaiah Liava'a</u>
Waipipi	<u>Georgina Vaifale</u>
Tui A	<u>Ajitpal Sra</u>
Kowhai	<u>Riana Saini</u>
Rimu	<u>AJ Mingi</u>



<u>Senior:</u>	Year 4
Kauri A	<u>Manrehmat Kaur</u>
Kauri B	<u>Dash Albrett</u>
Totara A	<u>Hemi Hona-Hiko</u>
Totara B	<u>Japji Sran</u>
	Year 5/6
Hoiho A	<u>Amber-Lee Davidson</u>
Hoiho B	<u>Bennett Unuia</u>
Ruru	<u>Richard Lim</u>
Pukeko	<u>Heavenly Taruia</u>
Nikau	<u>Lilyann Uhila</u>
Rata	<u>Kiana Ridgewell</u>

TOP ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to our Top Attendance classes

Term 4, Week 5

Juniors: Pukekiwi with 93%

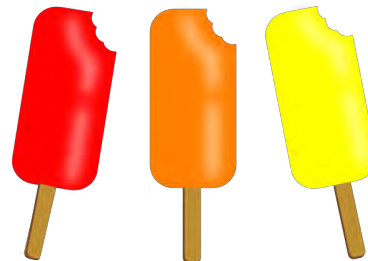
Seniors: Totara B with 87%

Term 4, Week 6: Most Improved

Juniors: Kereru B + 11%

Seniors: Rata + 9%

Each week the class who has the best attendance for the week from each syndicate get a special treat for the whole class! In the warmer months it is Ice blocks and in the cooler months it may be hot chips or another special treat!



Where can I dispose of the recalled rainbow sand?

Do not dispose the recalled magic sand into your kerbside red rubbish bin

At all of our Transfer Stations head to the kiosk and let the staff know you are disposing of asbestos contaminated material and they will take you through the process.

Before bringing any products to the drop-off point, ensure you place the sand in a sealed container, then double-bag in thick plastic or in multiple layers of plastic wrap, seal with tape, and clearly label as "Asbestos-Contaminated Material".

There is no charge to people for disposing of the recalled magic sand.



Cultural Diversity Day

Wow! What an awesome afternoon we all had last week when we celebrated Cultural Diversity here at Cosgrove. The patches of rain didn't deter our Whanau and friends who came to enjoy the performances, activities and picnics. Thank you so much to everybody who came along and made the afternoon so special.



Information sources:

1. <https://healthisy.nz/health-a-z/s/scabies>

2. <https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/scabies-in-children#main-content>

KEY POINTS ABOUT SCABIES



What is Scabies?

Scabies is caused by a reaction to a tiny mite that digs under the skin and lays eggs.



Symptoms

Small blisters form on the skin and can get very itchy. The redness and small blisters can look like a rash on the skin.



What can I do?

Avoid direct skin-to-skin contact with anyone known to have scabies and don't share personal items like clothes, bedding, and towels. Treat everyone in the household, even if they don't have symptoms.



Who can get it?

It can start anywhere, it can happen to anyone and it won't go away without treatment.



Who can I contact?

Reach out to your **Mana Kidz** Nurse at school for a free assessment and treatment or you can call us on 0800 658 326.



You can also call **Healthline** (0800 611 116).





sKids

sKids are excited to announce that we
working with the school to understand
the community need for an Out of
School Care programme at
Cosgrove School.
We would like your feedback.

We appreciate your time in
completing our school survey
QR code here.



Carols in the Park

28 November 5:00PM
Central Park Papakura



A FREE FAMILY EVENT

Children's Choir
Bands & Local Talent
Spot Prizes
Food Vendors

www.hcc.net.nz | no smoking, vaping or alcohol

Papakura
Local Board
Auckland Council



harvest
christian church

