



# EVERGLADE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As school settles into regular 'five days a week' routines, we are looking forward to getting up to full speed. Currently, classes are building momentum, with the aim of running at optimal course and speed through the year.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you (most, we hope) at our **Parent Orientation and Picnic Day**. This is next **Thursday 20 February**. We hope you can attend one of the two Orientation sessions (see inside) as well as stay, or come back, for a picnic at 5.45pm.



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## Mark this important date!

On **Thursday 20 February** we will be having our **Parent Orientation and Picnic Day**. It's a mixture of getting to know your child's teacher, finding out what learning looks like in your child's class and team, and getting to meet other families in your child's class.

This is a very important part of our home-school partnership building.  
Please do what you can to be here.

Here's how it works:

- ★ **3.30 to 4.30pm** - First 'meet the teacher' session in classes. This is where the key messages for the year will be communicated, and the nuts and bolts of learning for 2020 explained.
- ★ **4.30 to 5.30pm** - Second 'meet the teacher' - this is a repeat session. This is to cater for those who have more than one child at school, or who cannot be at school for the earlier session.
- ★ **5.45 to 7.00 pm** - BYO picnic on the playing fields. This is a time to socialise and enjoy some food with your family and others.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

## Some Important Dates in Term One

- Thursday 20 Feb - Parent Orientation and Picnic (see above)
- Thursday 05 Mar School Assembly 1.45 pm
- Tuesday 10 Mar Year 5-6 Zone Cricket Day
- Wednesday 25 Mar First Transition session for Term Two New Entrants 11.30am - 1.15pm
- Tuesday 31 March Visiting Performer - 'Be Bright, Eat Right' Show
- Wednesday 01 Apr Second Transition session 1.45 - 3.00pm
- Wednesday 08 Apr School Assembly 1.45pm
- Thursday 09 Apr Last Day of Term One

**There are many more activities and events that will occur during the term. Many of these involve some classes, rather than 'all school.'** These will be advised through your Class Dojo portal.

## Barbecue this Friday!!!

Our first Barbecue for 2020.

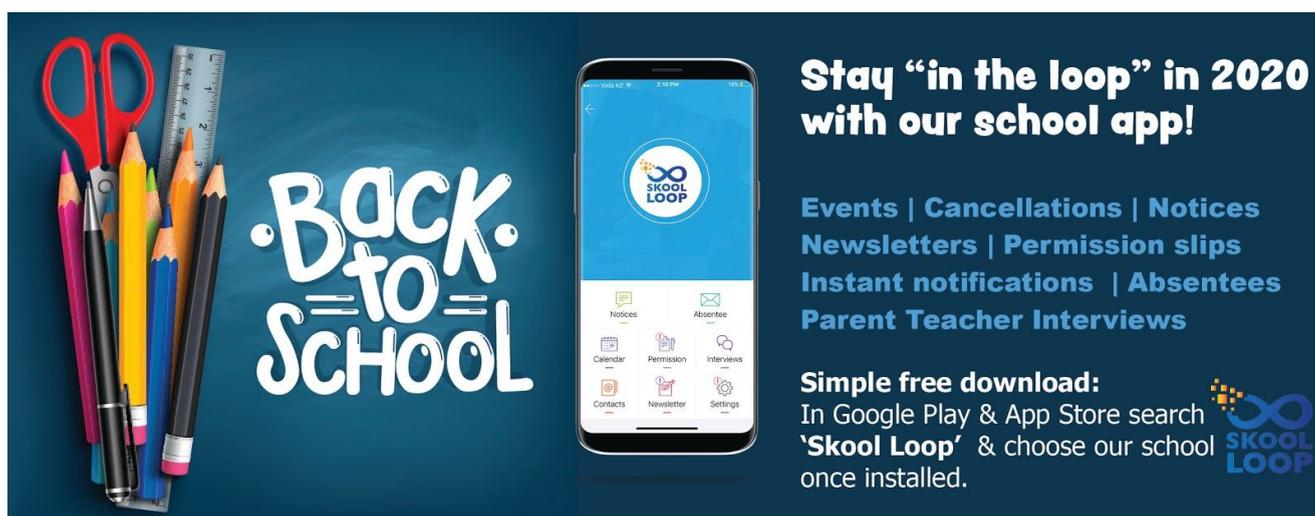


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## The times, they are a-changing!

1. If you have been up at school this week, you may have seen the fencing and equipment on part of the playing fields. This is the beginning of the work to **install an artificial turf playing area**. Once it is complete, we will have a facility that can be used by classes and teams, without concern over whether 'the fields are closed.' This will provide opportunities that don't currently exist for us, and we are looking forward to having this new facility in place.
2. We are moving toward a **new 'Newsletter and Notices' environment**. This will do away with both the email newsletters and the paper newsletters. The new regime will be based on an app that can be downloaded to your smartphone. There is an attachment with this newsletter that gives you more detail. We will follow this up with a paper flyer tomorrow. Our intention is to switch to the new regime in March. Please check the information we are sending, and take action with the Skool Loop App.

Thank you.



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## Helping the Aussies

We all know of the huge devastation caused to many parts of Australia by the huge bushfires. While we are hearing a bit less now, the fires are continuing, and then there is the cost of recovery.

The Auckland Primary Principals' Association (APPA) is encouraging schools to take some action this Friday 14 February to help our neighbours.

We will be holding a **Coin Trail for Australia**. If you can, please **send a gold coin with your child** this Friday. Thank you.

**Next newsletter: Wednesday 19 February**

Regards,

**John Robinson**

**Principal**

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