'A Lifestyle for Learning'



Monday 16th December 2019, Term 4 - Week 10

### Year of 2019 Celebration

Thank you to everyone who came along to celebrate the successful year we have had! In summary, here are a few of the highlights...

#### **Awards**

Congratulations to the following...

- Ruby Dykman Dux Award (Senior School)
- Narnia Williams Citizenship Cup (Senior School)
- Gemma Passey & Belle Dykman Arthur Brown Diligence Cup (Senior School)
- Hamish White McCartney Diligence Cup (Middle School)
- Damien Parker Manaakitanga Award (Middle School)
- Madalyn Geange Achievement Award (Junior School)
- Sabine Elston Manaakitanga Award (Junior School)

### Thanks!

- To Rochelle, Peta, Caroline, Victoria, Sue & Rod and Aly Thank you for your dedication, commitment and laughter
- To parents/caregivers Thank you for the ongoing help and support you provide in the variety of ways
- To the FOA and BOT Thank you for your constant support and tireless effort help to keep things running
- Thanks to Billie Rountree for her time, effort and support as a member of the Board of Trustees. Billie stepped down from the BOT at the last meeting. She will be sadly missed!
- To the students Thank you for being the most hard working, fun loving bunch of kids!

### Things to celebrate from 2019!

- Revamped classroom environments
- Camps, trips, events and adventures galore
- 6 new families
- 8 new students
- Strong student achievement all students read at or above expectation! 96% met or exceeded expectation in Maths and 85% met or exceeded expectation in Writing.
- New van with new logo

## Things to look forward to in 2020!

- New signage with new logo
- 5 new families
- 7 new students
- More trips, camps, events and adventures... production?!
- New teacher for Term 1 & 2 Liam Herlihy
- More work in our local community
- Happy, healthy and successful students!

#### Farewells

Farewell to Ruby Dykman, who is heading to Palmerston North Girls High next year and Narnia Williams who will be heading off to Awatapu College. Below are acrostic poems for the girls...

### Ruby

**R** ole-model of respect, honesty and effort

**U** tterly positive, poised and persistent

B eautiful inside and out

**Y** our laughter, strength of character and leadership will be missed

### **Narnia**

N ever a dull moment

A cheeky smile that lights up a room

R eady to take on the world

**N** o animal left behind!

It will be very quiet

**A** fun loving, gorgeous, smart and strong minded individual

# Photos from our End of Year Celebration



# Change in BOT membership

Kia ora koutou katoa

At the final Board of Trustee meeting for the year, Billie Rountree tendered her resignation from the BOT, effective immediately.

I, and the rest of the BOT, would like to thank Billie for the time and energy she has put into her time on the BOT, and the contribution she has made to making Awahou such a great school. Kia mihi!

But not all is lost, because at the same meeting the BOT voted to co-opt Nicole Stuart to the BOT as Billie's replacement. Thank you Nicole for putting your name forward, and welcome aboard.

Merry Xmas everyone from the BOT.

Alistair (Awahou BOT Chair)

# Important Info

Remember to get your pool key before school finishes on Wednesday

Monday 3rd February 2020 - First day of Term 1

# Last Day of Term...

The traditional last day of term water fight is planned for Wednesday.

Students can bring along a water gun, water balloons and/or any other water play items.



WE CLOSE AT 1PM on Wednesday 18th Dec. Buses will still be running at this time.

# Requests...

Please send along a bag for your child/ren to bring home their books and other bits and pieces tomorrow (Tuesday).

### Ashhurst Christmas Parade

Thanks to everyone who came to watch/join in/help out at the Ashhurst Christmas Parade! It was great fun.













# We wish you all a very....



From the Awahov School Team