

Clendon Park School

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Bell Times

8.55am School starts
10.55-11.15 Morning Interval
12.45-12.55 Lunch Eating
12.55-1.45 Lunch Playtime
3.00pm End of day



Term 1 Week 4 24/02/2023

School Contact Details: Phone: 2676671 Email: office@clendonpark.school.nz
To notify us of absences - leave a message on the answer phone by pressing 1.
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Principal's Message:

Tena koutou katoa whānau,

A very warm welcome back to school for 2023 even though we had a rough start due to bad weather. We hope you have not been badly affected by the wind and flooding. Our thoughts and prayers are with those communities who have lost loved ones and been so badly devastated by the floods.

We look forward to a great year filled with exciting learning opportunities for our students. Please sign up to our school app and school Facebook pages so you can keep track of what is happening at school. Each class has their own Facebook page which enables you to know what your child is learning about in their class.

As always whānau, please come and talk to us if you have any concerns or issues. Your child's safe and happy journey through our school is of paramount importance and whānau and school need to work closely together to ensure that this happens.

Parents, please, please, please help us! Be a great role model for our students and always use the school crossing. Our students are getting mixed messages when we teach them to use the crossing and then they see adults not doing this.

We welcome Jo Hopkins to our school.

Jo is our new school social worker (SWIS). Jo works with our students and families in our school and community.

Her office is in our school hall. If you would like to contact Jo her mobile number is: 021 685 863



Upcoming Events this Term

Week 5

28.02.23 Counties Boys Softball
1.03.23 CCSA Swimming (Massey Park)
3.03.23 Manulua Cake Stall

Week 6

6.03.23 CCSA Tag (Bruce Pulman)
10.03.23 Counties Swimming

Week 7

14.03.23 Counties Cricket (Bruce Pulman)
15.03.23 MPSSA Cricket (Mountfort Park)
17.03.23 Junior School Swimming Carnival

Week 8

21.03.23 IZ Boys Softball
23.03.23 IZ Girls Softball
23.03.23 Night Market
24.03.23 Manulua Disco

Week 9

29.03.23 Counties Boys Football

Week 10

04.04.23 IZ Tag
6.04.23 Last day for Term 1



SUNHATS

It is now compulsory for your child to wear a sunhat while outside, especially during morning tea and lunch times.

Please ensure your child brings a hat with their name on it to school everyday.

Thank you for your support.

CPS Twilight Market

Thursday 23rd March starting at 5.00 pm
There will be heaps of food and entertainment.

Please email [Matua Des](mailto:Matua.Des@clendonpark.school.nz)
desmondm@clendonpark.school.nz

Or message 021 264 1613
if you wish to hold a stall.

Each stall costs \$15.00.

You will need to provide your own tables, utensils, power etc.

Ahipara 2023

As I shifted my head off the side of my pillow and looked at the time, I noticed it was 6:00 am. I excitedly rushed off my bed although I had minimal sleep. I was ecstatic, I pulled on my clothes, slipped my socks on my feet, I tightened my laces on my shoes and away I went to school.

The journey in ensuring I arrived at school was intense. I threw my baggage out the car and dashed towards the school gate. My mind was in disarray as I saw my friends put their bags in the vans. I thought they were going to leave me at school "NOOOOOO!", just kidding. As I got to the vans, I took a big breath, that ended my anxiety.

My friends greeted me with a gigantic hug squeezing my soul out of my body. I can still feel the pain in my neck till this day and that's when I jumped into the van as it slowly exited the perimeter of the school.

We had finally arrived and quickly unloaded all the stuff in the van. Most of the boys including me tried to dodge the work but we ended up doing it anyway. We rushed through the cabin to pick our room. We got room 4. It had a door leading out onto a small veranda, 2 bunk beds and a toilet, shower and basin.

As we got ready for bed we put all our snacks in the middle of the room on a chair, we all stayed up until 2:00 am playing rap slap. The next day, all of our snacks had disappeared. One of the boys ate all the snacks grrrrr he knows who he is.

We went horse riding. It was the best part of the whole thing. I got the best horse. It was a different horse breed compared to the rest; its name was Ace, as Ace trotted through the beautiful surroundings. My eyes indulged with great delight as I looked towards the shimmering water, the golden sand laying calm and still. My goodness people would die for this opportunity so I tried to savor every moment, every minute and weave it into my mind.

The next day we went pipi picking. We ate most of them and enjoyed having conversation with my friends. No noise, no sound, just the cool water that passed gently with ease below me.

The final day had suddenly arrived. Matua Dudley gave us five dollars each so we could buy some treats from Pak n Save. The boys on the trip opted to buy a big ice cream to battle the heat.

Soon after, we met with Ngamamaerua and Matua Mahara, friends of the school who came for dinner. It was awesome to see them both and hear a few stories about their time at Clendon.

Now, I sit here writing and reflecting on what was a great experience.

Devon Muriwai Room 22

