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ADMIN NEWS

This will be our last Admin News for 2024 so it is full of important updates for both the end of this school year and beginning of 2025.

STAFFING UPDATES

On Friday we farewelled Mrs Clark, one of our long serving teacher aides. Lyn has been at Alfriston School for 9 years so you can imagine how many learners Lyn has supported over the years.....A LOT! Her kind, cheerful personality meant the learners loved working with her and they made great progress. She has also spoilt us as staff too. Lyn was often found well after the school day was over putting junior readers away for teachers, preparing new resources and making sure the staffroom was clean and tidy. Mrs Clark is now retiring to the beach and we hope she enjoys the sunshine. Mrs Clark has promised she will come and visit when she is back in Auckland, which we are super pleased about.



2025

We are fully staffed for 2025. Our last two appointments were made a little over a week ago.

Zahira Salejee will be joining the Kotahitanga team (Year 7 and 8) and Anna Thompson will be joining the Whanaungatanga team (Year 5 and 6). Anna will work with Mrs Aupa'au in Term 1 and then she will be Room 12's teacher when Mrs Aupa'au goes on maternity leave in Term 2.

Both of these lovely ladies are experienced teachers who are thrilled to be joining the Alfriston School whānau.

Our full staff list for 2025 is on Page 3 of this communication.

2024 HELPER THANK YOU

We would like to invite all caregivers / whānau that have helped in 2024 to Coffee and Cake on Friday 13th December at 10.15am. This will be between the two Prize Giving events.

If you have helped in any way please come along so we can personally thank you for living our school vision : A community of learners supporting each other to ensure everyone reaches their full potential.



ALFRISTON SCHOOL

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2024 DATES

REMINDER: School finishes at 12pm on Fri 20 December

2025 DATES

TERM 1 DATES:
START DATE - MON 3 FEBRUARY
FINISH DATE - FRI 11 APRIL

TERM 2 DATES:
START DATE - MON 28 APRIL
FINISH DATE - FRI 27 JUNE

TERM 3 DATES:
START DATE - MON 14 JULY
FINISH DATE - FRI 19 SEPTEMBER

TERM 4 DATES:
START DATE - MON 6 OCTOBER
FINISH DATE - WEDS 17 DECEMBER

2 X M.O.E. CURRICULUM DAYS (T.O.D)

**FRIDAY 30TH MAY (TERM 2)
FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER (TERM 4)**

UNIFORM

PURCHASING UNIFORM 2025

The office will be open on the 29th and 30th of January from 2.00pm - 6.00pm. Order on kindo and then come and pick up.

Our 2nd Hand Uniform Shop

The last date for opening the 2024 school year is Wednesday 4th December.

ATTENDANCE

We have a number of whānau requesting permission to travel overseas, particularly finishing prior to the end of the year.

Please be aware this is not something we as a school can approve.

The Ministry of Education expects all learners to be at school when school is open for instruction.

Time away from school can impact on learner progress and achievement.

LAST TWO WEEKS OF THIS YEAR

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9	9 Life Ed - Whanaungatanga BOT Mtg 6pm	10 End of Year Picnic/Show -Time to Shine 4.30pm Whole Family Fun	11	12 8:15 am Friends and Family Meeting	13 End of Year Prize Givings Yr 0-3 9 am Yr 4-8 11 am Coffee and Cake Thank You 10.15am
10	16	17 School Fun Run event - during school time	18	19 Visit 2025 teacher 9.00am	20 Alfriston's Got Talent Last day of school 12pm finish

FIRST TWO WEEKS OF NEXT YEAR

School Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	27	28	29 Teacher Only Day Office open 2-6pm	30 Teacher Only Day Office open 2-6pm	31
1	3 First Day of 2025 Powhiri 9.30am	4	5	6 Waitangi Day	7
2	10	11	12	13 Meet the Whānau and Teacher	14

POWHIRI DAY 1 OF 2025

We will be starting the 2025 school year with a powhiri to welcome all new learners, staff and whānau. We encourage new whānau to attend and ask that existing whānau come along to

KINDO PAYMENTS

Our 2025 school Yearbook is available for purchase on Kindo. There are a limited number of Yearbooks for sale so get in quick.

If you are wanting to order pizza to have while attending the Time to Shine event pop on to kindo. Orders close very soon so again get in quick.

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Learners will be visiting their 2025 class on Thursday 19th of December at 9am. New learners joining Alfriston School are welcome to come along. Junior learners who have had 2 school visits (Yr 0/1) do not need to attend on the 19th of December.

2025 Alfriston School Staffing		
Support Staff Team	Office Manager	Jane Keys
	Accounts Administrator	Narelle Cleur
	Caretaker	Mike Beehre
	Learning Assistant	Brittany O'Sullivan
	SENCO	Shona Scott
Leadership Team	Principal	Carla Cook
	Deputy Principal	Claire Galvin
Tupu Tahi Team (Years 0-3)	Year 1 (Room 14)	Shona Scott
	Year 0/1 (Room 15)	Fiona Anderson
	Year 0/1 (Room 16)	Jen Groom (Whānau Leader)
	Year 3 (Room 1)	Jean Luck and Karla Johnson
	Year 2 (Room 2)	Gemma Pater
	Year 3 (Room 3)	Charise Ritchie
	Year 2 (Room 4)	Jess Atherton
Whanaungatanga Team (Years 4-6)	Year 4 (Room 5)	Sharni Truman and Penny Cheketri
	Year 4/5 (Room 6)	Rosie Bamola
	Year 5/6 (Room 11)	Aman Virk (Whānau Leader)
	Year 5/6 (Room 12)	Elyse <u>Aupa'au</u> and Anna Thompson
	Year 5/6 (Room 13)	Marja van der Meulen
Kotahitanga Team (Years 7-8)	Year 7/8 (Room 7)	Heather Collins (Whānau Leader)
	Year 7/8 (Room 8)	Kate Towgood (0.9)
	Year 7/8 (Room 9)	Zahira Salejee
	Year 7/8 (Room 10)	Melanie Melville
Release Teachers	Yr 0-8	Gabby Ryan
	Yr 0-8	Alison Phillips
	Yr 0-8	Errol Benjamin