



Family and Friends of Alfriston School

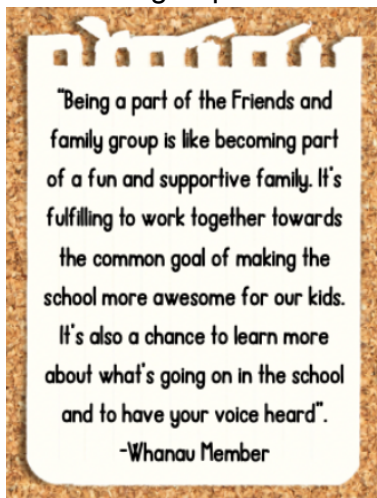
Term 1 - Newsletter

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Welcome to the first issue of the Family and Friends of Alfriston newsletter for 2024. This communication will be sent out every term in the 2024 school year. This group is an important part of Alfriston School and we welcome all parents to join. Please see the meeting dates/times for the year down the right hand side of this newsletter and join us if you can. Put the dates in your diary NOW!

Here is what one of our Whanau members had to say about our very special group.



Please feel free to either see Mrs Atherton in Room 4 or send her an email jatherton@alfriston.school.nz if you would like to join.

Events coming up in Term 1

Event	Information/Dates etc
Powhiri- To welcome new students and families.	Monday 4th March in the PAC at 9am. We welcome all Whānau of the school to attend and show their support towards our new learners and their families. This is such a nice way to welcome them to Alfriston School.
Holiday Hampers	Information about this will be sent out on Monday 4th

IMPORTANT DATES

Family and Friends Meetings

Term 1:
 Tuesday 13th February, 7pm
 Friday 5th April, 8:15am

Term 2
 Tuesday 7th May, 7pm
 Thursday 27th May, 8:15am

Term 3
 Tuesday 30th July, 7pm
 Friday 20th September, 8:15am

Term 4
 Tuesday 22nd October, 7pm
 Friday 13th December, 8:15am

Second Hand Uniforms are available from the **Boiler Shed.**

(Behind the Alfriston Community Hall, adjacent to the school)
 Every first Wednesday of the month from 2:30 - 3.00 pm.

Opening dates:

	March. Please read all the information carefully.
Mufti Day	Wednesday 20th March- Full details about this will be sent out with the Holiday Hamper information in Week 5. Below is some information that relates to the mufti day.
Ice block Friday's	This will be happening for all of Term 1 with the exception of Week 8 (Easter) and Week 10 (last day of term). They are \$2 each and there are 4 flavours to choose from. Please order on KINDO and they will be delivered to your child's class by lunchtime on Fridays. We ask that ice blocks aren't delivered to school, as this is a fundraiser and we try to ensure consistency of what is provided.

What are we working towards this year?

- Electronic sign- Out the front of the school where the current sign is
- Skirts for our Kapa Haka group
- Sandpit-large size
- More picnic tables
- Umbrellas
- Reading Nook
- Enrichment Classes- Resources for the class
- Sports Equipment
- Library Dividers

2023 Recap- Achievements for the Family and Friends

Each year the Friends and Family set a target of what funds they would like to raise to help go towards specific things that enhance learning and our school environment.

After we have done this we then can set our events for the year. Last year the Friends and Family set a goal of \$30,000 and they successfully raised \$14,830.50. Such an amazing effort from all involved. We wanted to share with you what some of those funds went towards for our learners.

TERM 1

Wednesday 6th March
Wednesday 3rd April

TERM 2

Wednesday 1st May
Wednesday 5th June
Wednesday 3rd July

TERM 3

Wednesday 7th August
Wednesday 4th
September
Wednesday 16th October

TERM 4

Wednesday 6th
November
Wednesday 4th
December

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Have you found and 'liked' our Facebook Page?

Scan the QR code below and join the rest of the school community being kept up to date with what's happening in the Amazing Alfriston environment. Including updates from the Friends and Family group about different events that are happening.



SCAN ME



Pictures show: Picnic tables, Umbrellas, Painted Games around the school, Basketball hoops and Wooden outside games such as Connect 4.

How can you help this term?

Holiday Hampers: On Monday 4th March all learners will bring home information about our Holiday Hamper Raffle. This requires our learners to sell raffle tickets for \$2 each. It would be amazing if you could support this fundraiser by helping your child to sell these tickets to family, friends, colleagues or even to people you know at a club you or your child may belong to. Every raffle ticket sold will go into the draw to win a hamper filled with lots of goodies.

To accompany the selling of the raffle tickets there will be a Mufti day on the 20th March. This is where we would like every learner to bring a grocery item that will be used to make up the hampers. Every Year level has a set grocery item they are to bring along on the mufti day. Please see the information below which indicates the item type for each Year group.

Grocery items to bring:

Year 0 / 1 learners	Snack foods - Boxes of muesli bars, nuts, dried fruit, chips, popcorn
Year 2 learners	Packets of mousse, jelly, meal makers (Maggi cook in the pot/ veggie bake)

Year 3 learners	Cereal, dried pasta, uncooked rice, etc.
Year 4 learners	A tin of fruit, vegetables, baked beans, spaghetti, or meal condiment (i.e. pasta sauce, just add...).
Year 5 learners	Box or packet of crackers, biscuits, slice or loaf (must be in sealed packets not freshly baked)
Year 6 learners	Jar of pickles, olives, cocktail onions, sun-dried tomatoes or chutneys/pickles, or spreads (Jam, Marmite/Vegemite, peanut butter etc.)
Year 7 learners	Something sweet, like chocolates, biscuits, or lollies
Year 8 learners	A bottle of something to drink. This can be a soft drink, cordial or juice (not fresh) No alcoholic beverages please.

Ice block Sales: Thank you so much for the support you have shown already by purchasing these through KINDO. This has proven to be very popular and we would love to see this continue for Term 1. This is such a treat for the learners to have on Friday's and we couldn't achieve that without you supporting this fundraiser. You can now pre order these in advance throughout the duration of Term 1. A big thank you to Jenni, Shikha and Mrs Scott who have volunteered to help with the distribution of these on Fridays and to Mrs Cleur who handles all the orders on KINDO. A fabulous team effort!

Second Hand Uniform Sales: Also known as the Boiler Shed.

Please support our school's shop by purchasing second hand uniforms for a fraction of the cost of a new uniform item. The dates our shop will be open are listed down the right hand side of this newsletter. If you have any items of uniform that you no longer require, please feel free to donate these to our shop. We are always happy to receive your pre-loved uniform items. A big thank you to Jenni, Jess, Amani, Renae and Rachel who have volunteered to run the shop this year. Without them this wonderful facility wouldn't be able to function.

Come to a meeting!

All parents are warmly invited and encouraged to be part of the Friends and Family of Alfriston School group. We are always looking for more support and it's a great way for you to meet new people and to stay informed and connected with school happenings. Meetings are held twice a term and your involvement and support is valued, no matter how big or small. You can attend in person or on Zoom. If you require the zoom link for a particular meeting then please feel free to email Mrs Atherton on the email below and she will send it to you prior to the meeting.

If you can't attend meetings and you're willing to help out 'on the day' of an event, we welcome the extra hands! If you are able to help with anything or would like more information, then please contact Jessica Atherton at jatherton@alfriston.school.nz



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