

Good Afternoon Tuia Burnside Families & Friends.

We look forward to welcoming you to school on **Wednesday the 31st of January** (our first day of school for 2024).

If you have not already informed us that your child is no longer returning to Tuia Burnside Primary School please let us know at your earliest opportunity so that we can adjust class numbers accordingly.

Please find below a list of helpful tips and information for the school year.

**Important Dates:**

- Wednesday 31st of January first day of school, classrooms open at 8.30am school starts at 8.55am
- Waitangi Day -Tuesday the 6th of February - school closed for instruction

**School drop off/parking:** We have received the following message from Jellie Park Recreation & Sport Centre -*Can you please ask your staff and parents not to use the car park at Jellie Park once the school term starts again. This car park will now be monitored, and tickets will be issued to people who are not using Jellie Park facilities.*

To drop off your child the options are:

1. Gleneagles Terrace you can park & walk your child to school.
2. Sunningvale Lane - you can only drop your child off here, no parking is permitted.
3. Ilam Road using the roadside parking. No vehicles are to enter the driveway off Ilam Road, as this is the entry point for Cobham Intermediate and Allenvale students. Pedestrian access off Ilam Road will continue to be through the alleyway.

The entrance off Memorial Avenue is still unavailable for use until the end of February. We will notify you when this space is available as a 'kiss and drop' zone.

**School Start Time & Lateness Procedures:**

Classrooms open at 8.30am each morning, school starts at 8.55am. While the bell rings at 8:55am, we expect all students to be onsite at least 10 minutes before the bell goes to ensure that they are ready to start their learning straight away. School finishes at 3pm.

- If your child/ren are late please ensure they come to the office to sign in as late on the Vistab before going to class.

**Early collection from school:**

If your child has an appointment during school time please advise the office & when you come to collect your child please come & sign them out. **We are trying to minimise disruption to school learning so we are asking that unless your child has an appointment or a valid reason for early collection please do not collect your child early.**

**Our school calendar:**

Keep up to date with what is happening at our school, check out our calendar on this [link](#).

**Sunhats:** Are required for term 1 and 4, to purchase these head to Mainland Uniforms at Fendalton Village Shop 6, (Corner of Ilam & Clyde Roads) Tel: 03 351 7666

**Scooter/Bike Shed:** We now have a designated area to park bikes & scooters. We recommend that you also provide your child with a lock so they can lock their bikes & scooters. We are investigating getting proper bike stands, we will keep you posted on progress.

**Sickness:** Please refer to the Ministry of Health Website for further clarification if you need to  
<https://www.health.govt.nz/>

- **vomiting and diarrhoea bugs,** If your child has a stomach bug don't go to school, until well and for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting.
- **If you test positive for COVID-19,** the Ministry of Health's current recommendation is that you isolate for at least 5 days, even if you only have mild symptoms (please note these guidelines change frequently so we recommend you check with us or click on the link below for the most up to date information  
<https://info.health.nz/conditions-treatments/infectious-diseases/covid-19/>

**If your child is unwell & will not be attending school:** please contact us by:

- email [absent@burnsideprimary.school.nz](mailto:absent@burnsideprimary.school.nz)
- send a message via Skool Loop (download the app via Google Play or App store)
- call us on 03 351 9407 or
- Text us on 021 1040 800

Please note if we are unable to get hold of you if your child is not at school please be aware that your child will be marked as a truant.

**School Dental Van Visit:** Please note the school dental van will be visiting Tuia Burnside Primary students in term 1, please contact the community dental service call centre if you want further information on the Community Dental Service, to enrol your child or if you have any specific questions about your child's dental care (a clinician will call you back).

To contact the Call Centre: phone 0800 846 983 or email [commdental@cdhb.health.nz](mailto:commdental@cdhb.health.nz)

**Student Stationery:** please find below the links for all for each teams stationery, if you are unsure of which team your child is in this year please contact the office on 03 351 9407.

📎 Piwakawaka Stationery 2024.pdf

📎 Kāhu Stationery List 2024.pdf

📎 Pūkeko Stationery List 2024.pdf

La Découverte - Tuia Burnside Primary School  
French/English Bilingual Special Programme

📎 Weka 1 Stationery List 2024 Cindy Chevet .pdf

📎 Weka 2 Stationery List 2024 Sonia Lucchese\_Elaine O'Leary.pdf

**Have your contact details changed:** please advise us of any changes to your address, phone numbers or email addresses.

As always we are here to help you and your family so if you have any questions please feel free to contact us. Enjoy your afternoon.