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#### Kia ora, whanau.

Despite the odd raindrop here and there; this week, a bunch of our classes successfully navigated the wilds of Thomson's Bush (and the indomitable walking encyclopaedia that is Lloyd Esler). Thomson's Bush is one of the very last stands of kahikatea forest that was once prevalent in our part of Murihiku and the visit was in connection with Part of the current inquiry: Stories of Our Local Places -Aotearoa NZ. The kids learnt a lot, from both the experience and Mr Esler; and they had a lot of fun too - the whole thing was a success. (Special mention of appreciation to those of you able to accompany and assist our staff - thanks!)

One of the joys of being a principal is listening and talking to kids when they get back from a trip - a lot of good learning happens outside of classroom walls. And sometimes, there are photos to see; evidence, if you will. On Wednesday, before getting back on the bus to come back to school; room four agreed to pose for a class pic...or two...



...one of which was the almost obligatory "silly" photo...



... and there's always a kid who's clearly done this before...



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## The calendar...

**June 14** | Southland X-country championships 28 - 30 Matariki weekend July 05 | Assembly: Kia manawanui - 10.10am Mid-year reports out Term 2 ends: 3.00pm Term 3 starts: 8.50am 29 Mid-year progress interviews week

# Uniform update...

Thanks for your support: a slightly improved effort on the uniform-wearing-front this week. As we said last week; it is compulsory for everyone: to wear the complete uniform; not just an item or two. If your kid is a persistent "non-wearer" of our uniform, we're going to have to have a chat.

Where there is a genuine reason for not being in uniform for a day; please inform your child's teacher before your child gets to school. "Mum said I don't have to," just doesn't cut it. (If it helps just think of it as good practice for high school...).

# How to be a Waverley kid...

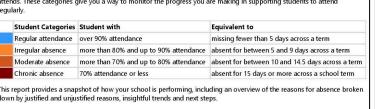




## Our term one attendance report...

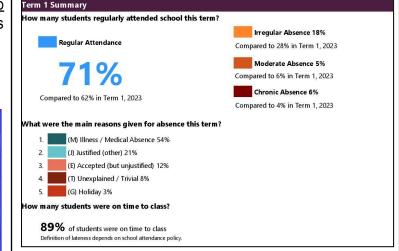
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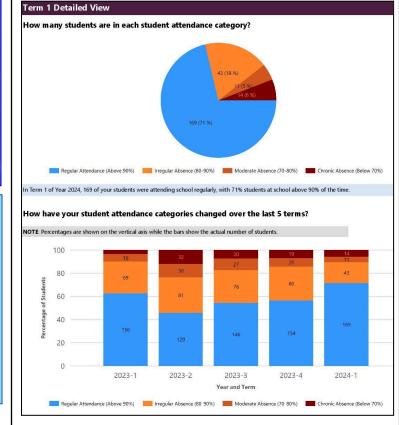
This week, we received this attendance data breakdown from the Ministry of Education. The graphics are self-explanatory (although you might need to use your device's enlarge / zoom / embiggen function to see the details). We ain't quite there yet but things are definitely improving (thanks; support appreciated):



ur Student Attendance Categories have been developed to help schools understand how frequently each student

NOTE: In some cases, results have been rounded to the nearest percentage point to simplify the presentation of results.





### **Scholastic Books:** Orders close Wed 12 June

https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz/Parent.aspx or cash/eftpos at the office.

### **Proverbs for the millennium...**

Home is where you hang your @.

The email of the species is more deadly than the mail.

You can't teach a new mouse old clicks.

Great groups from little icons grow.

In some places, C: is the root of all directories.

Too many clicks spoil the browse.

The geek shall inherit the earth.

Don't bite off more than you can view.

What boots up must come down.

Windows will never cease.

There's no place like your home page!

# Some genuinely useful wisdom...

Once in a while, there's a little bit of gold amid the FB rubble...

## 6 Sentences that will change your LIFE & **MINDSET**

- 1. Stop telling people everything. Most people don't care, and some secretly want you to fail.
- 2. Choose your **friends** wisely. The fastest way to become better is to surround yourself with better people.
- 3. Expect nothing, appreciate everything. Be grateful for the little things in your life to find inner peace.
- 4. Do your best and trust the **process**. The harder you work, the luckier you will get.
- 5. Control yourself, not others. Controlling others is strength. Controlling yourself is true power.
- 6. Learn to react less. When you control your reaction, nobody can manipulate you.

Until next week - ka kite. Kerry Hawkins & staff

## Contact us - you choose how...

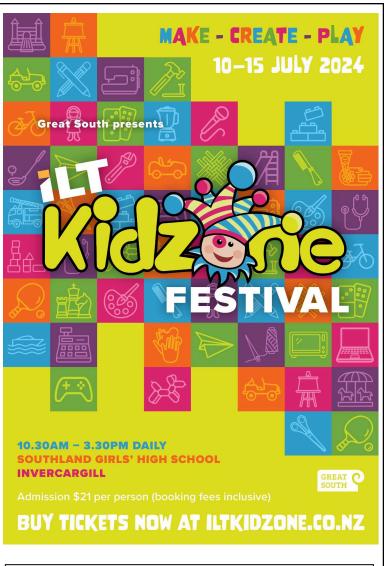


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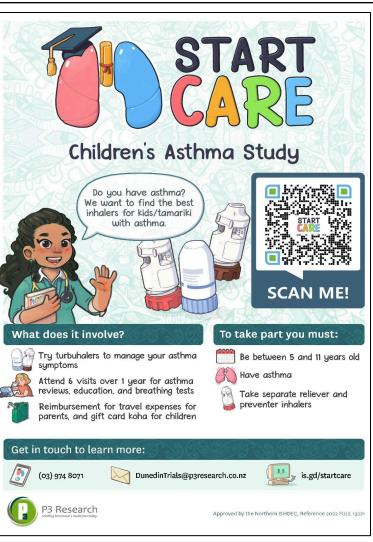
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These are challenging times, Southland Murihiku.

Southland District Council is consulting on its Long Term Plan 2024-2034, and we need to hear from you: how much do you think we should spend?

Are you prepared to sacrifice some levels of service in roading to keep rates down? These vital decisions will have a bearing on your final rates.

The average Southland district rate increase for 2024/2025 in the proposed LTP is 13.66%, with most increases across the district ranging from 4% to 13% for residential rates, and from 11% to 17% for rural and business rates. There will be exceptions for individual properties.

There are four key issues, around funding of water services, roads, recycling and Te Anau Airport Manapouri.

The consultation period runs <u>from 5 June until 5 July</u>, with hearings scheduled <u>on 16-18 July</u>.

Please go to <a href="https://makeitstick.nz/ltp2024">https://makeitstick.nz/ltp2024</a> and let us know what you think.

Hard copies of the consultation document and submission form are available at Southland District Council's office/libraries in Invercargill, Winton, Riverton, Te Anau, Lumsden, Otautau, Oban, and Wyndham, as well as more than 20 cafes, dairies, supermarkets, retail outlets, pubs, clubs or service centres in townships throughout the district.

