



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 24th August 2023 | TERM 3 WEEK 6

*Give it a Go, Respect, Excellence, Attitude and Teamwork*

## Principal Chat

Our first week of Lunch in Schools has been GREAT. Most of our students have shown all of our school values, as they try new foods and are prepared to embrace the new lunches. We have already seen a large decrease in packaging and rubbish being left around the school and the amount of unhealthy food being brought into the school. Thank you for helping your tamariki be positive about this experience. Whaea Jackie and Whaea Jess are working hard to make sure our children get food they will enjoy, while staying within the regulation guidelines. They are listening to feedback and making changes where necessary. It may take a while for some students to buy into this initiative, however your ongoing support from home is appreciated. Personally, I have found it great, to not have to think about lunch every day, and the food has been delicious.

There has been a change to our Norsewood Bus run. From next Monday, the Norsewood bus will go down as far as 632 Ngamoko Road. From the beginning of 2024, we will be going down to two buses and this run will be combined. Students on the Otawahao side of this run will be affected and we will contact families directly about this. If you have an eligible bus student, please use the service, as it is an asset to our school.

It has been fantastic to see some sunshine this week and our tamariki have all enjoyed being able to get outside and play. Jerseys are starting to come off and the un-named ones are once again becoming a daily guessing game. Please name uniform and talk to your children about their responsibility of bringing it home. I appreciate it can be frustrating when uniform does not come home, however, if it is not named, then it is harder for us to find. Sometimes uniform accidentally goes home with the wrong student, please send back any named uniform that has come home like this.

Students are practicing for both Kapa Haka and Aerobics Festivals at the moment. Good luck to our Jump Jam team that are competing in Palmerston North this weekend, and a huge thank you to Nicole Paton and Mrs Trent who have spent time training the team. All events and activities are in our newsletters. We do our best to get information out to parents but if you are unsure, please ask.

*Nga Mihi, Ka kite anō*

**Angela McQuarrie (Principal)**



### REMINDERS

- ⇒ **DAFFODIL DAY** tomorrow. Children may wear mufti to school for a gold coin donation to the Cancer Society
- ⇒ **PhotoLife** have sent out unique codes for school photos. **Order before 27th August for free delivery**
- ⇒ **LUNCHES IN SCHOOLS** is now in full swing. No junk food to be sent to school please.
- ⇒ **Headlice treatment** is available free from the office.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <b>AUGUST</b> Friday 25th                               | Daffodil Day                  |
| Wedn 30th   | Duffy Theatre visiting        |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b> Wedn 6th                               | BOT meeting                   |
| Thurs 7th   | Aerobics Festival             |
| Thurs 14th  | Kapa Haka Festival            |
| Wedn 20th   | Year 7/8 quiz at Dvke Library |
| <b>Sunday 22nd October—150 years school celebration</b> |                               |

### This week's GREAT card winners

**Nevaeh Renata** — For writing exemplary work—This week's book winner  
**Toko O'Brien** — Looking out for new entrant kids, offering company and support to them as they get used to settling in. Great example of Tuakana/teina  
**Zion Scaiffe** — Stunning attitude and contribution at Kapa Haka  
**Kingston Sang Yum** — showing GREAT hygiene knowledge

# KAHIKATEA

*Kahikatea this week, has been celebrating 100 days at school and all things 100. As part of a challenge from the "Chill Out and Read" programme, they all dressed up as a favourite book character and bought along a shared morning tea. A big thank you to the parents who supported us. Don't the kids look GREAT.*



## RENTAL REQUIRED:

One of our small school families is looking for a house to rent in the area. Please phone Shona 027 473 2267 if you are able to help.

## MUSICAL MELODIES

Piano lessons—both classical and modern are available from Ruth Appleton in Dannevirke. Beginners to advanced. Children and adults.

Mobile: 027 881 0455

## SCHOOL CATTLE SCHEME

It's that time of the year again when we call for your support. If you are able to rear a calf for the cattle scheme can you please let me know. We are always on the hunt for people to rear calves. I can find grazing for them at 100kg if needed.

Also we are looking for supplies to rear 3 calves that the awesome Te Miro farm donates to us. So if you can donate money, a bag of meal or a bag of milk powder that would be amazing.

This fundraiser makes about \$10,000 a year that goes back into supplies or events for the kids at school through the School Support group.

**If anyone can help us out at all please can you ring or text Michelle Brown on 0272016209**



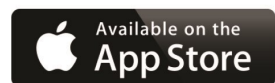
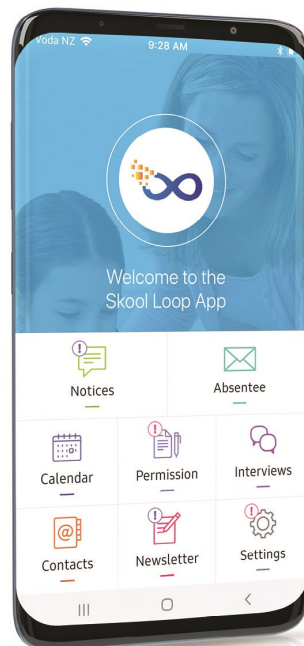
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