

WEDNESDAY 25 October 2023

We have a lot on this term and it should be fantastic fun and learning for our Tamariki. We have the Ballet coming to school as well as our annual trip to the ballet in Christchurch. In amongst all these outings, and activities, there is still a lot of learning happening. Thank you for your support with the events without you they couldn't take place. There will be more information coming but if you have any initial concerns, don't hesitate to give us a call. Big thank you to Richard for the excellent work he has completed around the school and to Paul for making the school look good, especially the mowing at this time of year.



Pets' Day

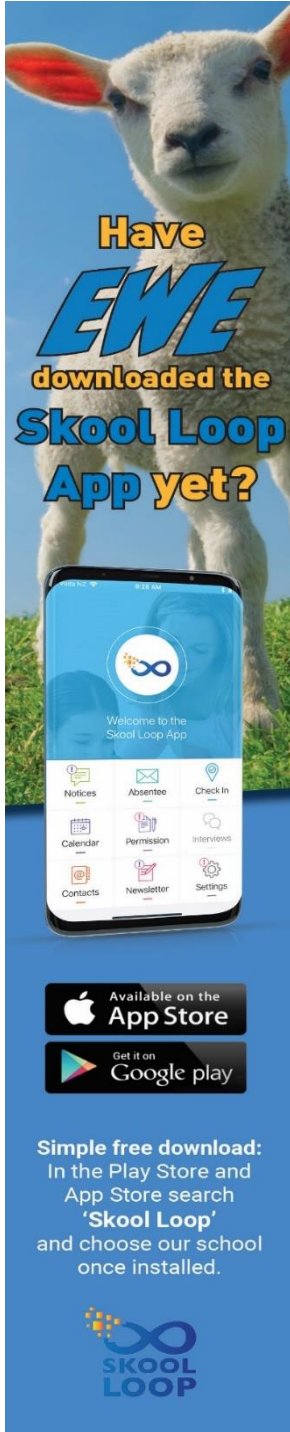
We have all been working on our costumes for Pets' Day and it sounds like it is going to be more competitive than last time. I have booked the judges and as usual they are nervous about the competition. I am still carrying a grudge after being disqualified last year by Mr Lee in the Cat Category, which I still believe that I could have won. Still we must abide by judges decisions and thank them for their time and effort in coming to the school.

Camp Meeting

On Wednesday 8th November 6pm, we will be holding a meeting that will explain the where and when of the school trips. Please be there if you can but of course we will send home the information as well. As usual with school trips we have already had to make changes to the original events, good news is that we have only changed times.

Swimsuits


At this time the pool will be emptied and refilled this weekend. With any luck we should have the pool ready for use by the end of next week. It is time to check the swimming costumes still fit and that students can move freely in them. The chlorine in the pool is



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harsh on the material so don't forget to check they can still stretch and haven't gone see through. The school is trying to get a swim instructor to work on the finer points and we will let you know as soon as we have confirmed an instructor.

Working Bee

This Saturday from 9am we need your help. This is a way that you can support the school that doesn't cost money. This weekend we have a deck that needs staining, a pool that needs cleaning and then refilling, seats that need painting under the oak tree, tablecloths that need to be cut out and edged, also a clean-out in the garage. Hope you can make it to the day and there will be food. Other ways you can support the school is to keep putting out our good name to everyone you meet and talking about the events that we hold for our students.

Get to the Point

Get to the Point is on Saturday 4th November, we have booked a stall and will be selling candyfloss and a few other bits and pieces. We would appreciate some help during the day if anyone is available please contact Leanne.

Athletics

We are preparing for Athletics Day each day, with sprints, a long jump (remember Asher was a record holder in NZ for a long time), high jump, shot put, and throwing. The Day is 14th November at Fairlie with a backup date of 16th November. This is a day where we want parents to attend and take their children to and from the event. If you aren't able to attend then we will as always make sure your child gets to the event and home at the end. Please let us know if you require us to take your Tamariki on the day. More details will be sent out before the day. Last year was the first time we held a combined event for a few years and it was a great day that was superbly run. This is a credit to Pip at Fairlie who organises the day.

Rural Roundup

Thank you to all those who attended the evening and to the people who couldn't make it we'll see you next time. In the end over 50 people here that Leanne made sure were well fed. Thank you to the local fire service for bringing Flick so the children could practise with the fire hose. As always when we book the police and civil defence to come to the event, there is a possibility that they are called away at the last moment which happened here. I know my delivery of the Civil Defence message probably isn't what they would give, but I'm sure I made it clear.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4

9 October	Term 4 Starts
18 October	Rural Round Up
23 October	Labour Day (school closed)
28 October	Working Bee
3 November	Pet's Day – Halloween-themed
14 November	Athletics - Fairlie
20,21,22 November	Yr 1-3 EOTC - Oamaru Yr 4-8 EOTC - Wellington
23 November	Fun Day – Ballet with Princess Lauren
24 November	Christchurch Ballet trip – Hansel & Gretel
15 December	Prizegiving – last day of Term 4



