# **PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT**

## Dear Parents/Whanau,

### 7 aside tournament

Our students had a fantastic time competing at the Pahiatua tournament last week. A massive thank you to our parent coaches and other supporters.

Sport Tararua Facebook page has all the great photos.

### **2020 Enrolments**

If you have a child who is turning 5 at the end of this year or next year, please call into the school office for an enrolment form. Once the children are enrolled they can then be contacted by our Te Kakano team and school visits arranged. Most children enjoy about ten visits before starting.

## Attendance

We are having excellent attendance across the school this term. Students look forward to the class award at assembly every Friday. We continue to monitor students arriving late and the latest data will be reported in the next newsletter.

## **Parking in Stairs and Hunter Streets:**

We would ask parents dropping off and picking up students not to park on the yellow lines. This is dangerous for staff and students who have their view of oncoming traffic obstructed when crossing the road.

## School Gala:

Our S.O.S. committee has begun planning for the gala on Saturday 9th November. Staff are fully involved helping organise and volunteering for activities on the day. If you can help in any way please contact our office and we'll make contact.

#### **Interschool Maths Competition:**



This was held at Ruahine School last week with two South School teams competing. Alvin Kim, Dimitri Hales and Evan Geertson won the Year 5 and 6 section which is a fabulous achievement.

Our Year 7 girls Caitlin Murphy, Dani Simmons and Bayly Castles competed in the Year 7/8 section and were a very close third.

#### **Mathex Competition**

Students who competed this event achieved outstanding results and these will be reported at assembly on Friday. Written reports are being prepared for the next newsletter.

**Stephen Snell** Principal

# **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

DATE	EVENT
AUGUST	
Friday 16th	POOL PARTY—6 to 8.00pm
Monday 26	9-11.00am DHS interviews at school
Friday 30th	SOS lunchtime sausage sizzle
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
Tuesday 3rd	ICAS Digital Technologies
Thursday 12th	Kapa Haka Festival (non-competitive)
Friday 13th	Kapa Haka Festival (competitive)
Tuesday 24th	Te Tipu-Whanau celebrations
Friday 27th Sept	Te Puawai sausage sizzle for camp
	End of Term 3
<u>OCTOBER</u>	
Monday 14th	Term 4 begins
Friday 18th	PET DAY
Friday 25th	Junior Cross Country
Monday 28th	Labour Day—SCHOOL CLOSED
<u>NOVEMBER</u>	
Saturday 9th	SCHOOL GALA
Monday 18th	Room 16 leaves for camp
Wednesday 20th	Room 17 leaves for camp
Monday 25th	Room 15 leaves for camp
Friday 29th	SOS sausage sizzle
DECEMBER	
Monday 2nd	Helpers Picnic at the domain
Friday 6th	SOS Junior Disco
-	Last day for school canteen
Tuesday 17th	School Prize giving
Wedn 18th Dec	School finishes at noon for 2019
3rd February 20	Term 1 starts for 2020

## PET DAY

Our annual Pet Day will be held on Friday 18th October. We Would like to confirm that there will be a section again for lambs and calves. More information to follow.

## 2020 Enrolments for Dannevirke High School

On Monday 26th August, from 9.00 to 11.00am staff from Dannevirke High School will be here to take enrolments for Year 8 students who intend going to DHS next year. Please ring our school office for an appointment.

## 2019 SPORTS PHOTOS:

We will be sending our orders away on Monday for our sports photos and the updated Room 1 photo. If you would like a photo and have not ordered yet, please do so by Friday afternoon.

## CAMP ACCOUNTS

The cost of senior camp has been confirmed as \$120 and invoices have been sent out.

School camp is part of the school curriculum and all children are expected to attend. As the camp is not until November this gives parents nearly four months to spread the cost of camp if needed.

## REMINDERS

- Netball Uniforms to come back to the office
- NEW APP upload the Kiwischools App onto your smart phone.
- Last day for sports photos this Friday 16th August
- Please keep collecting <u>Yummy Apple Stickers</u> for the school. The more we get the more sports equipment we receive.
- Please ensure you come to the office to sign your child in/out during school hours.
- Please remember to keep your **contact numbers** and addresses up to date with the school office.
- If your child is going to be late or away please contact the school office on 374 8915, text 027 506 4860 or send a message via the school app.
- School assembly held every Friday at 2.20 pm.

The school dental nurses are now working in Woodville until the end of term. While they are away please ring Mid Central Health on 0800 825 583 for assistance.

## A sample of writing from Tyrah-Mai who went to the School for Young Writers last month

Will peeked around a large oak tree, hoping to see someone there, but there was just a large bush. She pulls back the leaves, and stands on her toes to look over it, but there's just grass. Will really hates being the seeker, she never finds anyone. She turns to head back down the stone path she came from, and starts walking, but half-way down she hears screaming from behind her. "Found them" she thinks, and runs back up the path. She hears footsteps in front of her, and runs faster. Will dashes through trees until she comes to a clearing. She notices her friend standing there, a little boy with black hair and pale skin. He looked like he'd seen a ghost. "Will, you need to find Kylie and run." he savs.

"Why?" Will asks him. "You're just trying to trick me."

The boy turned his head to look at something on his left. Will follows his gaze and sees a thick black mist snaking out from the trees. The mist starts shifting around until it takes the form of a small girl, then it grew. It grew into an older woman, but it's face was blank. The mist body turned towards Will, and despite it having no face, she could feel it looking at her. The mist's face moved around, and it copied Will's. "Well there we go, now let's seek." it said. Will was stunned, and could only stare.

"What's going on, John? Is this a prank?" she demanded. John didn't answer, and instead gave a weak smile.

The mist person headed towards John. When it got close enough, it reached out and tapped John on the shoulder. "Tag. You're it."



When: FRIDAY 16th AUGUST Where: Wai Splash Pool **Time:** From 6 to 8 pm **Cost:** Entry fee \$5—The blow up toy will be there!! Food for sale includes Sausage Sizzle, Drinks, Chocolate Bars and Bags of Lollies all \$2 each: Icy pops for \$1 Come along and bring a friend!! All children under 8 must be accompanied by someone who is 16+ years old.

# NETBALL



Congratulations to our South Blue netball team winners of the A grade netball competition. They beat Huia Hawke's 21-19 in the final held last Saturday.

South Silver also performed well and were runners up in the C grade.

## **NETBALL UNIFORMS:**

Could we please have all netball uniforms, bags and balls returned to the school office by Friday. A reminder that there will be a \$50 fee for unreturned uniforms.

## **Different Situations**

Children are exploring how to support others when they have been bullied at school or in the community.



Children have found the most comfortable way to do this is to help remove the victim from the bullying situation. This can be done by asking if the victim wants to join them to play a game or come and see something nearby.