# **PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT**

#### Student behaviour

Earlier this week I talked to all of our students about expected behaviour and in particular emphasised the impact that certain behaviours like stealing and verbal abuse can have on other students. We have staff who spend an enormous amount of time supporting students who have been the victims of this sort of behaviour and the bullies. We have students whose first response to being upset is violence. Whilst there is only a small number who behave like this, it does have a huge impact on other students and staff.

Even though these students have received lots of support, often over long periods, their behaviour sometimes does not change. In these instances we have no alternative but to stand students down.

A small number of students have been stood down in recent weeks for violence, theft and abusive language. We have talked to our students and they have all agreed that they do not want this behaviour at our school. When these behaviours are reported they will be investigated immediately and if there is sufficient evidence, a stand down will automatically follow.

If any of our whanau would like to discuss this matter you are most welcome to contact me anytime on 0275064862.

#### School Lunches

On a much more positive note, beginning 2021 all schools will be provided free lunches. The progress on this has begun and the Ministry of Education are negotiating with a contractor at the moment who will be working with local schools. All the details are yet to be sorted but at this time we can advise our community of the following:

- The lunches will be prepared in a registered kitchen to the highest hygiene standards
- Local people will be employed by the contractor
- The preparation and delivery of the lunches will be the responsibility of the contractor
- There will be no cost to whanau or the school
- We have had a look at a sample menu and it looks amazing
- The menu will be different on each day
- It is not compulsory
- All dietary requirements will be catered for

As soon as we have more details we will release these through our newsletter and under the Information tab on our website.

#### Inter School Athletics Help

We would appreciate any support that you can provide for this event. This year we have been asked to provide extra help on the discus event and we are still struggling to get a parent supervisor for each of our teams going. We are using as many of our staff as we can by splitting classes but if you can support please contact Leigh Buchanan.

# **CALENDAR**

DATE	EVENT
NOVEMBER	
Friday 20th	Te Kakano swimming
	COLOUR FUN RUN—Sausage Sizzle
Mon 23rd	Te Kakano swimming
Wedn 25th	Te Kakano swimming
	Inter School Athletics
Friday 27th	Te Kakano swimming
Monday 30th	Te Kakano swimming
	Forbes and Tippets relay
DECEMBER	
Tuesday 1st	Year 8 visit to DHS
	Forbes and Tippets pp date
Wedn 2nd	Te Kakano swimming—Te Puawai Social
Thurs 3rd	Room 6/7 to Puhaka Mt Bruce
Friday 4th	Rooms 10/11 to Puhaka Mt Bruce
	Te Kakano swimming—Yr1-6 Disco
Monday 7th	Year 8 dinner
Friday 11th	School Reports go home
Monday 14th	2021 class lists go home
	PRIZEGIVING in town hall
Tuesday 15th	School closes for 2020 at noon
<u>2021</u>	
Wedn 3rd Jan	2021 Term 1 starts

#### DANNEVIRKE SOUTH SCHOOL ATHLETICS RESULTS

#### Based on a 3,2,1 point system for 1st, 2nd and 3rd these are our Athletics Champions!

Junior girls champion - Haylee Aitau Feierabend Junior girls runner up - Korah Castles Junior boys champion - Riley Harold Junior boys runner up - Estin Huata Intermediate girls champion - Sasha Harting Intermediate girls runner up - Deijahn Harris Intermediate boys champion - Rafe Paewai Intermediate boys runner ups-Ayden Rees, TK Grant Senior girls champion - Georgia Edwards Senior girls runner up - Ella Berge Senior boys champion - D'rhyas Paewai Senior boys runner ups — Aymon Greatbatch, Preston Teller



# FUN RUN—TOMORROW

We are doing a colour fun run at school. We need some old clothes because we are going to get sprayed with paint. All of the classrooms have registered.

Room 1 has raised the most money because they have \$2,218.46. Bella and Josh and Ria have done well too. A half of the money goes to the school, a quarter goes to prizes and a quarter goes to the company running it. The Fun Run starts at 2.00pm on Friday and goes for 45 minutes. Room 4 has \$1,876.88. If you have not registered you can't do the Fun Run. You have to wear togs underneath your clothes. You may wear white clothes or any old clothes. We get sprayed with water and colour spray paint. By De-arna-Room 4

### SOUTH SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

Please ring 0800 825583 for an appointment. Our dental ladies are currently working out at Norsewood and Districts School and will be away for a few weeks.

#### **EPRO8 CHALLENGE**

The EPro8 Challenge is an Inter School science and engineering competition run in regions through New Zealand. Two of our Year 5/6 teams: South Sensors and South Sparks made in through to the final.

On Tuesday 10 November the two year 5/6 teams competed in the final for the Manawatu-Whanganui region. This final involved 12 teams

All of the South School teams can be proud of how they represented the school. This was an extremely close competition with some very difficult challenges.

#### **Final Results:**

South Sensors – 1<sup>st</sup> equal with WOE8 (Levin North School) and MSS Mechanical Leopards (Manchester Street School). These 3 teams went to a tie-breaker for the right to be named the Grand Champions for 2020. The South Sensors were placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the tie-breaker.

Special thanks to the parents who volunteered to take the teams over to these competitions. Without this assistance our students would not be able to compete.



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# REMINDERS

FUN RUN this FRIDAY. Friends and families are all invited to come and watch the students tomorrow. There will be sausages for sale for spectators to purchase.

Children's BBQ orders to be in by Friday morning Fun Run money to be in by tomorrow Sunhats are available from the office—\$12



# "POP UP CHRISTMAS"

Dannevirke Fantasy Cave is currently in recess as they await the building of their new premises.

However this year, they will be hosting Santa in the Dannevirke Fountain Theatre building in Ward Street.

Come and meet and be photographed with Santa. Walk the Christmas path. Admission by Koha. Photographs \$5.00

Open: Saturday 5th Dec 12.30pm—2.00pm (following parade)

Thurs 10th Dec—Sunday 13th—10.00am—2.00pm

Mon 14th to Friday 18th—10.00am to 4.00pm

Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th-10.00am to 2.00pm

Monday 21st to Thurs 24th-10.00am to 4.00pm



The S.T.E.A.M. Into Summer holiday programme is for school aged students with activities based on science, technology, engineering, art and maths.

It runs for 5 weeks over the summer holidays with a break for Christmas

#### Challenges, activities and prizes all for free!

Register at your local library between the 1st-14th December, places limited. Phone 374 4255

or email library@tararuadc.govt.nz

### **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.