PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora Koutou

I hope everyone had a relaxing break over the holidays. The time is speeding along and we have another busy term. Last year with Covid-19 we managed to keep sickness out of school and had very few teachers and students away. We have reintroduced some of the hygiene measures we used last vear around hand washing, providing hand sanitizer, sneezing and coughing into our elbow, keeping desks cleaned and staying away if you have any sniffles. We are hoping once again we can keep fit and healthy.

Our applications for a new principal have closed and the BOT is in the process of setting up interviews over the next couple of weeks. We will keep you updated. The Board also are pleased to announce that the casual vacancy on the board has officially been filled by Trina Paewai.

Just a reminder about the REAP evening on Thursday 25th May around keeping children safe online. Anna Murphy has written some comments below about this workshop as she was lucky enough to attend last year and believes it is a very worthwhile session to With the approach of winter Libelle is now supplying us with a hot lunch once a week which the children are enjoying. Just a reminder that the children still need morning tea from home.

Thank you to all those parents who replied to our Whanau Contact Evening Survey. It was great to hear that this is working for you and we were pleased we were able to catch up with so many of you over the week.

Nga Mihi Caroline Gyde

Acting Principal

ONLINE SAFETY

comments from Anna Murphy

Being a parent or caregiver in the digital age can be challenging. At this information presentation you will find tools and advice to help you "educate and keep your kids safe". Lots of practical ideas that include:

- Having a better understanding of the online challenges our children face.
- How to have the conversation with your child.
- Practical ways to keep them safe.
- Managing the screen time and devices.
- How to set up parental controls.

This eye opening presentation is for parents with children of all ages. A topic that this husband and wife have put a lot of energy into researching and sharing their journey of how to keep our children safe.

CALENDAR DATE **EVENT** 2021 Young Leaders Day Thur 13 May VR Zoom Reap Te Puawai Yr 6-8 Watersafety Fri 14 May **Rugby Begins** Sat 15 May Wed 19 May Book club orders in Yr 6-8 Watersafety Fri 21 May Teacher Only Day Fri 4 June Pie Order forms returned Wed 7 July End of Term 2 Fri 9 July Beginning of Term 3 Mon 26 July

ANZAC SERVICE

Thank you to all our community who the attended ANZAC service on Friday 16 April 2021 in the school hall. It was great to see so many of our tamariki's whanau in attendance paying their respects. Our Head Boy Isaiah Lawson and Head Girl Deijahjn Harris represented South School on

ANZAC day by laying of a wreath at the Cenotaph.

Bus Tickets

Bus tickets are available to purchase from the school office.

SOS AGM NEWS

The SOS AGM was held on the 4th May 2021. The following positions on the committee are Courtenay Le Cheminant as Chairperson, Louise Forsyth as Secretary and June Vermeer as Treasurer supported by an awesome group of committee members. We have already held a hugely successful Pool party and would like to thank the students and parents for coming along and supporting us. We have some exciting events in the pipeline including the Colour Funrun to be held at the beginning of Term 4 as our major fundraiser as well as the \$10 Jack'n'Jill portraits on the 23rd May and the Cuba Street Bakehouse family pie fundraiser. New committee members are always welcome - watch the school app for our next meeting time.

REMINDERS

- DSS Dental Clinic open ph 0800825583
- Install the School App on your smart phone -Kiwischools
- Technology Fees to be paid
- Friday 4 June Teacher Only Day

Ask your child or children to share what:

- they think bullying is
- makes a positive KiVa school





Term 2, 2021 LUNCH **NIKAU WEEK** LIBELLE

MONDAY **TUESDAY**

Macaroni

Snack: Yoghur

Pasta Power

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

Chicken & Slaw

FRIDAY

Butter Chicker

and Rice



KI-O-RAHI by Avden

On Monday afternoons Troy comes and helps us play Ki o Rahi. We are put into three teams. One team is yellow bands and the other is red bands. There is one more team that does not play that round. The teams rotate around so they all play each other. In Ki o Rahi, you try and score points by running around the posts and touching them with the ball. You have to run into the middle to bank the points. The other team is trying to stop you from scoring and rip your tags to stop you. Then we swap over so one team is on offense (kioma) and the other is defense (taniwha).

It is fun because it gets your adrenaline pumping and you use lots of skills to get the points.

The Hunting Competition by Carter

In the holidays I went to a cool hunting competition in Hawkes Bay and I won two prizes—a go-pro camera and a sling shot. I was with my Dad and one of my Dad's friends and our team was called Rudolph Redkers. I shot a hare and a turkey. Altogether we got 26 hares, 67 turkeys and one deer. We shot them on crops and on 3 different farms. We went on the motorbike with the turkeys and hares and the deer. The hunting competition was for three days and I was with Dad and our mate only for one day of the

hunting competition. I wish I could do it again next year.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Online Safety Information Evening

Tararua Reap are holding an online safety information evening for parents on Tuesday 25 May starting 7pm. This evening is being held at The Hub, 23 Gordon Street Dannevirke. To register contact Tararua REAP by

An Online Safety Information Evening

Tuesday 18 May on 374 6565.

Understand the harms our kids are facing online in relation to pornography, predators & social media access. Learn practical solutions to keep your children safer online with Rob & Zareen Cope. Visit www.ourkidsonline.info for more information.

Get advice on ways to approach tricky topics

Tuesday 25th May 7pm - 8:30pm The Hub, 23 Gordon Street





Register by 18th May with Tararua REAP - no cost

06 374 6565 or email office@tararuareap.co.nz

StressLess

Struggle with anxiety?

StressLess is designed to help 13-18 year old's that have difficulty in stressful situations or everyday life.

When: 3:45 - 4:45 6 Wednesdays May 19th - 30th (Excluding 16th May) Where: Tararua REAP

Register by 12th May with Tararua REAP - 06 374 6565 or email office@tararureap.co.nz

No cost

www.tararuareap.co.nz



Autumn Fun

Our children enjoying the changing of the seasons.



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