

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora e te whānau,

It has been a busy two weeks with both our athletics, inter-school athletics today and Pyjama Day on Friday! On Friday we are raising funds to support KidsCan. This charity provides students with food, jackets, headlice prevention products, socks and shoes all for free. As this charity provides so much support to our students and whānau our students leaders decided that they wanted to give something back. If you can please bring a gold coin donation it would be much appreciated- but if you cannot please still come in Pyjamas on Friday to show our support for KidsCan.

This year we have started our whānau hui where a group of Māori whānau come together with school leaders to talk about how we can best support our Māori students, reflect Te Ao Māori (Māori world, knowledge and beliefs) in the school and connect with our whānau and community. At our last meeting we had a big focus on how we celebrate learning and growth in all things involved in Te Ao Māori, especially in our student leaders and in prizegiving. Below is an update of what has recently been discussed:

Leadership roles and hui

At our recent whānau hui we discussed how Dannevirke South celebrates and grows knowledge and a passion for Te Ao Māori, especially at prize giving. As a group we decided to add in 3 exciting new awards.

Class Prize giving awards

Each teacher will select one student in their class who has shown they are willing to learn and develop their knowledge of all things Māori and support others to do the same.

2025 Junior and Senior cups

Next week the whānau hui will finalise the criteria for both a junior and senior cup celebrating growth, effort, and passion in our students.

Cultural leaders

Two year 8 students will become cultural leaders for our school. They will be part of the school council and will help with the planning and running of our events celebrating Te Ao Māori. We will also focus on helping to grow their own knowledge and ability over the year. Our senior students are currently in the process of applying for this role and it will be announced at Prize giving. These students will each wear a new school Korowai that we are currently sourcing.

Nga mihi nui

Caroline

THUMBS UP

- * Huge THANK YOU to Dannevirke Pharmacy for helping keep us all sunsafe!
- * Woodville Salvation Army Store for donating secondhand uniforms for our whānau.



ARE YOU AN UPSTANDER?

An upstander is a person who assists a victim to get out of a difficult or bullying situation. An upstander can invite the victim to come and play, go for a walk or seek help from someone nearby. We show our school values of confidence, caring and honesty by being an upstander.



CALENDAR

DATE 2023	EVENT
Fri 17 Nov	Pyjama Day
Mon 20 Nov	SOS Meeting 6pm Staffroom
Tues 21 Nov	BOT Meeting 5pm
Fri 24 Nov	Te Kakano Swimming
Mon 4 Dec	Forbes and Tippets 5.15pm - Domain
Wed 13 Dec	Yr 8 Leavers Dinner
Thurs 14 Dec	Prizegiving 6pm townhall
Fri 15 Dec	Term 4 Ends

Te Puawai News

Te Puawai have been doing swaps for the last five weeks.

In Pohutukawa we were doing PE, in Kowhai we were doing STEM challenges and in Manuka we have been learning Te Reo Māori.

In week four the second STEM group went down to nature school to create some sort of boat that could

hold a tennis ball and still float down the creek. We had about twenty minutes to make it out of anything that was around us in nature. The criteria being that we couldn't snap or break anything off any of the tree branches or leaves so we had to gather stuff from the ground. String and scissors were provided by Mrs Murphy.

At first we walked around gathering materials and making plans. After that we moved on to putting our plans into action and building the boats. Once we had completed our boat the people who felt confident were allowed to compete in a race. Buddies helped by putting the boat in the water and catching it downstream. We started the race by a tree and it ended at the bridge leading to the top field. Although it was a lot of work, it was heaps of fun and we would definitely do it again.

Bonnie and Ellie



REMINDERS

- ⇒ DSS Dental Clinic ph 0800825583
- ⇒ Install the Kiwischool App on your phone
- ⇒ Follow us on Facebook



Te Kakano News



The tamariki of Te Kakano have embarked on an exciting journey setting up their own daycare called Manaaki. Through this experience, they are actively engaging in a range of valuable learning opportunities. We had teachers and students from other parts of our kura enrol their teddy bears into Manaaki daycare. This was a valuable learning element as they learnt a range of skills such as enrolling teddy bears, calculating the costs of childcare, maintaining records of sleep, meals and daily experiences for the parents. Some tamariki took on the role of office personnel, this encouraged interacting with teachers and parents, and addressing concerns and inquiries, and even making phone calls to remind teachers about teddy pick up times. The tamariki are eager to take their learning journey even further, by visiting a local pre-school to gain inspiration and insight on how they can enhance their own daycare, and create an even better place of care for their teddy bears.

TE TIPU LEARNS BADMINTON

During the last two weeks Ruma Wha have been lucky to have three lessons in the hall learning how to play badminton. Our skills have improved so much we can now play games, keep score, and challenge others to a game. We have enjoyed learning these new skills.



HAVE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED???
PLEASE LET THE SCHOOL OFFICE KNOW.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

NEED AN IDEA FOR YOUR END OF YEAR/CHRISTMAS WORK DO?

GET YOUR GROUP TICKETS TO NOISES OFF

FROM ITICKET.CO.NZ OR THE DANNEVIRKE INFORMATION CENTRE

DANNEVIRKE THEATRE CO. Tararua District creative COMMUNITIES iTICKET

Tararua Community Services

Christmas GIFTS OF JOY

Giving families who have experienced hardship "the Christmas experience, without the cost."

Donate A GIFT
Donate a gift to the Tararua Community Services Christmas shop and help spread the joy of Christmas.

Donate CASH
Make a cash donation and we will buy a gift on your behalf.

Gift criteria:
• worth at least \$20
• new items only
• unwrapped

Shop off by 6th December

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Nau mai, haere mai. Welcome to our 2024 course

The Incredible Years
Be empowered!

Incredible Years® is a FREE parenting programme that promotes positive parent-child relationships. Ideal if you are finding your child's behaviour challenging, and you are interested in broadening your parenting skills.

A supportive parenting programme where the Group Leaders walk beside you on your journey. This course aims to help you feel more confident to guide your child through those big emotions.

Childcare available

Details

- 🕒 10.00am - 1.00pm
- 📅 14 weekly sessions starting 21 February
- 📍 Dannevirke
- 🍽️ Lunch provided
- 👤 For Parents of children aged 3-7

Only offered once a year so register today to save your spot!

TARARUA REAP Rural Education Activities Programme Tararua REAP 06 374 6565 or Tararua Community Services 06 376 7608