

## PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora e te whānau,

### Attendance

You may have had a call or message from your child's teacher over the last week. All our team are checking in with the families of students with under 90% attendance to see how we can help to increase this. We want all of our Tamariki to succeed and research shows that to do this students need to be at school regularly (a minimum of 90% attendance). We really want to work with you to help achieve this for all of our learners. Currently just over 50% of NZ students attend school regularly (90% of the time) and our goal is to reach at least 60%. This week we have achieved 72% which is just brilliant.

### Cultural Day

Coming up on Wednesday the 27th of March we have our Cultural Day. A day planned to celebrate some of the many cultures at South School. More information will come out in the next week about the activities on the day but students are encouraged to come to school dressed in things that reflect their own culture. You may want to start thinking about this now. Have a great week.

Nga mihi nui  
Caroline



**DANNEVIRKE JUNIOR HOCKEY 2024**

Registrations now open for junior hockey!  
Register before 31 March 2024

- This is an interschool competition for all children Years 0 - 8.
- All players welcome
- Each team will require one parent/caregiver to be their manager.
- Our Junior competition for 2024 is planned for Term 2 commencing on Friday 3rd May.

This is a fast, fun introduction to hockey. If your child would like to give hockey a go we have hockey sticks available to borrow.

\$30 per player (including mouthguard)\*  
15% discount for additional children registered  
\*Mouthguards are included in registration fees and must be worn.

If you have any questions email: [dannevirkejuniorhockey@gmail.com](mailto:dannevirkejuniorhockey@gmail.com)  
Visit our DSC Junior Hockey Facebook page for the link to register: <https://www.facebook.com/hockey.dsc>  
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### JAB RUGBY REGISTRATIONS DUE 31 MARCH 2024

Register on the link Below:  
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/dannevirkejabrugby/Registration/Registration>

## CALENDAR

DATE 2024	EVENT
Wed 27 March	Cultural Day
29 March	Good Friday
1 April	Easter Monday
2 April	Easter Tuesday - School holiday
Mon 8 April	Te Tipu Camp Starts
Wed 10 April	Te Tipu Camp Finishes
Fri 12 April	End of Term 1

## GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2024

On Wednesday 13 March Dannevirke South School and St Joseph's school student councillors went to Palmerston North for a Grip Leadership Conference. They learnt about the about responsibilities that come with being a Student Leader. This involved trying new things, stepping out and giving things a go, not worrying about what others think and never letting anyone's words take away your courage. GRIP stands for Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity and People. This course linked really well with our school values. On behalf of the student councillors we would like to thank St Josephs for coming with us and a big thanks to Mrs Potgieter for taking us on this trip.



## SAVE THE DATE!

14th May 2024

Term 2 Week 3

We are holding a Grandparents or someone special day.

From 10:30am

More info to come.



## REMINDERS

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

Remember!!!

## THUMBS UP

Lee Gutterson—for kindly donating art supplies



South School Facebook page  
[www.facebook.com/Dannevirke-South-School-101397252247314](https://www.facebook.com/Dannevirke-South-School-101397252247314)

## What is bullying?

Bullying is actions that are repeated and deliberate in an effort to gain power. An argument between people that only occurs once or twice is an example of conflict. DSS staff are trained to recognise the differences between conflict and bullying. Students are consistently encouraged to report incidents of bullying as they occur to a duty teacher, class teacher, whanau or any adult they feel they can confide in.



## TE KĀKANO NEWS

In Te Kākano we love exploring different materials and using these to build and create things. Recently, we have been building large marble runs outside and experimenting with different sized balls. There has been a lot of problem solving as we notice things that aren't working or perhaps slow our ball down. We also discuss and share ideas about how we can catch our ball when it gets to the end. Ka mau te wehi, tamariki!



We have also been building towers using different materials as part of a teamwide challenge to build the tallest tower! Ruma Tekau and Tekau ma Tahī sent Ruma Tahī, Rua and Toru a letter with photos of their tall towers and encouraged us to build our own. So far the tallest tower record is held by Carlo and Jojo with a tower of 235cm tall and second place goes to Alexandria and Taylor Rose with a tower of 147cm tall. Tumeke!!



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Blended Family Success

1-DAY WORKSHOP FOR COUPLES NAVIGATING STEPFAMILY LIFE



Do you and/or your partner have children from a prior relationship?

Discover how your blended family can adjust to stepfamily life, deal with common issues and create a happy home - all in one day!

You will be inspired and equipped with practical strategies that work!

Delivered by leading stepfamily presenter, Adele Cornish and her husband Mike. Together they have a blended family with five children



Blended Family SUCCESS

### Details

- 🕒 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
- 📅 Saturday 6 April
- 📍 Tararua REAP, 15 Gordon Street
- 💰 \$40 per couple  
50% discount for Community Service Card holders
- 🍽️ Lunch Provided
- 👶 Childcare Available

Contact Tararua REAP to register

For more information visit <https://www.blendedfamilysuccess.nz/>



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NORSEWOOD

### Plant-Based Cooking & Healing

LEARN TO USE WILD WEEDS & NATURAL REMEDIES TO SELF HEAL



Whether you are a newbie to plant-based food, looking for healthy alternatives or simply a food lover, this course is for you!

A fun and tasty day of cooking and eating plant-based, whole food

Delivered by Renee Timmins

### Details

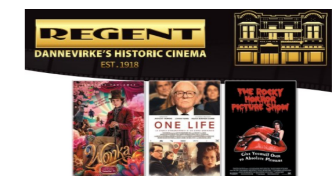
- 🕒 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- 📅 Sunday 24 March
- 📍 Norsewood & Districts School
- 💰 \$30  
50% discount for Community Service Card holders

For more information or to register, contact Tararua REAP  
Payment confirms your place



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WEDNESDAY 20TH MARCH  
WONKA (PG) 1HR 56M - 10:30AM

THURSDAY 21ST MARCH  
ONE LIFE (PG) 1HR 50M - 7:00PM

FRIDAY 22ND MARCH  
WONKA (PG) 1HR 56M (PG) 1HR 44M - 7:00PM

SATURDAY 23RD MARCH  
ONE LIFE (PG) 1HR 50M - 1:00PM

ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW (M) 1HR 40M - 7:00PM

FANCY DRESS EVENT! (DOORS OPEN 6:15PM)

SUNDAY 24TH MARCH  
WONKA (PG) 1HR 56M - 1:00PM

ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW (M) 1HR 40M - 4:00PM