

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora e te whānau,

Maths in the news

There has been a lot in the news about maths teaching in New Zealand. For over a decade this is an area where our NZ students have not performed as well as we would hope. We are committed to doing a balanced and responsive programme at South that meets our students needs and focuses on the progress of our learners. We are however disappointed that the Government used misleading data with this announcement. The 22% of year 8 students who met end of year expectation were tested on the NEW curriculum that has not been released to schools yet let alone taught. This is not a fair representation of the current achievement of our learners and creates a sense of crisis when in fact the maths national data has not really changed in the last 10 years.

Ice Skating in week 8

We are lucky enough to be having our hall turned into an ice-skating rink in week 8 of this term. To ensure the safety of our students all of our tamariki will be wearing helmets when they are on the ice as an extra precaution to keep everyone safe. There will be more information coming out over the next few weeks about a junior and senior disco. This will be held that week and run by the Ice Skating organisers.

Help

We know life can be challenging at times and it can get in the way of getting your kids to school. Please let us know if there are things affecting your child's attendance - it could be transport, lack of kai, a parent being sick, uniform issues etc. We want to work with you to see if we can find a way to help solve them. We are a team wanting to help your children succeed and are happy to help in any way we can.

Nga mihi nui
Caroline

THUMBS UP

- Thanks to Mr Gyde, Mr Fletcher, Mr Hullah and Mr Simmons for helping get our slide up and running in middle field.
- Thanks to the Whānau Fundraising Group for throwing an amazing pool party.



South School Facebook page
www.facebook.com/Dannevirke-South-School-101397252247314

CALENDAR

| DATE 2024 | EVENT |
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| Mon 19 Aug | Staff Whānau Week |
| Wed 28 Aug | Te Kākano assembly |
| Fri 30 Aug | Sports Photos Daffodil Day-wear yellow/Pie Order Pick Up 2.30 |
| Mon 2 Sep | EPro8 challenge week |
| Mon 9 Sept | Ice Skating week |
| Thur 19 Sep | Kapa Haka Festival |
| Fri 27 Sept | Te Tipu Assembly Term 3 Ends |

Ki-o-Rahi in Te Puawai



Every week on Friday, all of the students in Te Puawai who are keen to play Ki-o-Rahi, go up to top field to play Ki-o-

Rahi. We are very lucky to have this opportunity to play during our class time and this wouldn't be possible if it weren't for Troy Tawhai and Kaia Walker-Waitoa. Troy has been coaching Ki-o-Rahi at our school for a long time, lucky for us he is now joined by Kaia. Kaia had her first visit at our school last week, and we were very excited to have her join us.



REMINDERS

- ⇒ DSS Dental Clinic ph 0800825583
- ⇒ Follow us on Facebook

Remember!!!

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.



TE KĀKANO'S MATHS

Te Kākano have moved onto a new maths strand. We are going to be learning all about transformation. We will learn all about the different types of symmetry. This week our art area is set up to explore 'reflection.' We are using our names to create monsters and aliens.



TE TIPU BADMINTON SKILLS

It's Badminton time again at Dannevirke South!

Te Tipu have been having lots of fun serving, smashing and swiping. We're learning to hold the racquet, balance the shuttlecock, and hit fore-hand and backhand strikes!



COMMUNITY NOTICES



2024 Pie Fundraiser for Te Puawai Senior Camp

Pies to be picked up on Friday 30 August at 2.30pm from Room 14

All profit will go towards reducing the cost of our Senior Camp.



Our school is proudly supporting the Cancer Society this

Daffodil Day

Kei te tautoko whakahi tō mātou kura Te Kāhui Matepukupuku i tenei Ra Daffodil

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TUESDAYS

AUGUST - 20TH & 27TH
SEPTEMBER - 3RD, 10TH & 17TH
JUNIORS (YEAR 1-3): 3.30PM - 4.25PM
INTERMEDIATE (YEAR 4-6): 4.30PM - 5.30PM

THURSDAYS

AUGUST - 22ND & 29TH
SEPTEMBER - 5TH, 12TH & 19TH
SENIORS (YEAR 7-8): 3.30PM - 5.00PM
REFEREES (ALL AGES): 3.30PM - 5.00PM



Contact Jamie Hape to register: 06 374 9224

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