

28 June 2019

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau

Kia Ora Katoa

This is the final newsletter for Term 2. School closes next Friday, 5th July and we welcome our learners back to school on Monday 22nd July. We have had an excellent term of learning, experiences, opportunities and fun. The only problem has been the battle many have had with bugs, colds and flus. Hopefully a good rest during the winter break will set everyone up for a healthier Term 3.

Thank you to everyone who attended yesterday's Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences. We close at 12.30pm again on Monday 1st July to complete these interviews. The student receives a strong message about the importance of their progress and achievement through seeing the school and home working partnership. Thank you for your attendance.

Next week I am away for three days at the National Principals conference. This is a very interesting and somewhat unsettled time politically in education. I look forward to hearing from those "steering the canoe". With the Tomorrows Schools review, Communities of Learning initiatives, industrial action over work conditions and the increasing needs of our learners, there is a lot to navigate.

The theme of the conference is Renaissance not Reformation. This signifies a time of renewal, new beginnings and 'big' step change in our sector rather than the addition of continuous layers and small change such as we have seen since the introduction of Tomorrows Schools in 1989.

Thank you to our PTA for organising tonight's PJ & Pizza party and the last day of term sausage sizzle next Friday. This team is amazing.

Have a great mid year winter break.

Nga Mihi
Michael Fitzgerald.

SJHS Board Of Trustees

Last week a meeting was held to farewell those leaving and welcome new BOT members.

The BOT are:

Janine Heerdegen	- Chairperson
Cameron Town	- Finance
Simon Cairncross	- Personnel
Andy Reid	- Property
Natasha McKee	- Health & Safety
Loren Symes	- PTA Rep
Samantha White	- Staff Rep
Michael Fitzgerald	- Principal
Lynette Brown	- BOT Secretary

Thank you to retiring BOT member Helen Jones and BOT Secretary Annette Parkinson. You have both been tremendous members of our School Governance team.

Qualities that a test can't measure...



Absentees

If your child is going to be absent from school please advise the school office by 9am. You can do this by:

- Calling the school on 349 1750. Press option 1 to record your absence.
- Choosing Absentee on the school App to call or email details.
- Report an Absence through the school website under "Contact Us".

Virtues Programme

Well done to the following students who were recognised this week for displaying their virtues.



Unity: Sae Nakata, Shaurya Sharma, Ryan Renton, Alma Erstad, Xander Laird, Connor Baldwin-Holly, Bella-Jean Fantham-Houia.

Manakaitanga-Caring: Cosette Guy, Lily Newton, Leodin Joblin-Mills, Zoe Van Elswyk, Fatima Rashid, Addison Healey.

Rangatiratanga - "Our best always": Ella Papworth.



Manakaitanga - "Cares for others": Campbell Wilkins.

Ako - Reading: Flynn Devane.

Enthusiasm: Hunter Lewis, Emily Ye, Alenah Hawley, Logan Smith, Mila Madhu, Te Awanui Firmin-Cooper.

Self Discipline: Molly Carson, Kathy Vu, Bella Davies, Robbie Foothead.

Wig Wednesday

Thank you to everyone who supported Wig Wednesday last week. We had many fabulous wigs, hair dos and hair colours on the day! \$451.10 was raised from the day to support the Child Cancer Foundation.



PTA News

- Sausage Sizzle next Friday 5th July. \$2 per sausage to be collected from classrooms on the morning.
- Fitzies Pies will be available to collect from the school hall next Thursday 4th July between 3-3.30pm.

Rippa Rugby

On Thursday the 13th of June, 20 students participated in the Rippa rugby competition at Springvale Park. The morning started cold and grey and the weather didn't look like it was going to clear. When we arrived it started to rain! Finally we headed out onto the field for our first game. The fields were so wet and muddy we had to slip and slide our way to the try line, but we got a win! After our first game Mr Howells told us there wasn't going to be a lunch break as the weather was getting wetter and colder. We played our best against some great schools and ended up winning all our games in the pool we were playing in. The other teams that participated were Ohakune B, Wanganui East, Carlton, Hunterville and Mosston. In the top pool Ohakune A took out the championship this year, congratulations to them.



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Green-Gold Enviroschool
EARTH KIDS Education for Sustainability
Schoolgen School
Health Promoting School



Academic Achievement and/or Progress:

Congratulations to the following students:



Phoebe Tripe

Great growth mindset 'I can do it' approach to her learning!

Taylor McLachlan

For his outstanding work with the house point collection, and teaching of others.

Melanie Goosen

An outstanding speller—Top of the class with the Schonell Spelling test (spelling at a 13yr old level).

Grace Eastabrook

A great attitude towards her learning and outstanding assessment results.

Adam Ding

Demonstrating growth mindset and creative problem solving in maths.

Jacob Hodgson

Amazing powerful language in his creative writing.

Lily Andrews

Challenging herself in her reading and finding chapter books that she just can't put down.

Riley Symes

Always willing to share his learning with others (Ako).

Jude Riordan

Transferring his reading knowledge into a comprehensive information report . Kai Pai!

Mila-Jaye Fantham-Houia

Fantastic growth mindset towards her learning. Tino pai!

James Macpherson

Great writing skills applied independently. For lovely recount writing using time connective words to give structure and using great thought and feeling words.

Emma Ding

For being a fantastic speller.

Jonty Belliss

Working hard at being an awesome reader who can self correct as he reads.

Ariella Roy

Having such an enthusiastic and positive attitude to her learning.

Eli Fox

Eli can name all letters in the alphabet and say their sounds—well done!

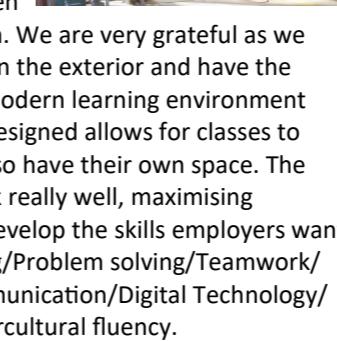
Jackson McIlroy

Having a great attitude to his reading and writing. You are developing a strong growth mindset about your learning.

Room 1/2 Refurbishment

Progress is moving forward steadily.

As always, when you open up buildings other issues are discovered. However when completed this will be an awesome teaching and learning space.



Money for this refurbishment has been provided by the Ministry of Education. We are very grateful as we have retained our heritage building on the exterior and have the most up to date insulated, acoustic modern learning environment inside. The way the space has been designed allows for classes to work very collaboratively however also have their own space. The teachers make the environment work really well, maximising opportunities for these students to develop the skills employers want for the 21st century—Critical thinking/Problem solving/Teamwork/Collaboration/Oral and Written communication/Digital Technology/Leadership/Work Ethic/Global & Intercultural fluency.

Welcome to School

A special welcome to the following new students and their families.
Hazel White,
James Wongkham,
Keira Harris,
Alexander Turner.



We wish you all the best for your learning at our school.

Paper4Trees

Our school is part of the Paper4Trees programme which is designed to encourage schools and businesses to recycle their paper waste. As an incentive or reward, native trees are gifted to these organisations. Fifteen young trees arrived last week and were planted by the members of the Earth Kids team. Take a look on the back hill at the amazing growth of 400 trees planted last year as part of the School's Green Gold Enviroschool celebration. The summer drought jeopardised their survival but classes were rostered to water the trees each day. They are now a picture of health. Thank you to Paper4Trees and the Earth Kids.



Wanganui Mountain Bike Competition



Congratulations
Quin Vivian 2nd
in his age group.
Well done!!!

St Johns Hill School Te Kura o Hato Hoani

I AM A BUCKET FILLER

Reliable Helpful Kind
Tolerant Friendly Cooperative
Tactful Caring Forgiving
Considerate Peaceful



the eco school

HOLIDAY PROGRAM JULY 8-12

run climb slide play explore

100% outdoors holiday program.

Email TheECOSchool@gmail.com for more information

July School Holidays

Skating @ The Rink

Wednesday 10th & 17th July @ 2pm -4pm

\$5 per entry (includes skate hire) - Sorry No Eftpos available
Inclusive of Members - Fundraiser for Wanganui Speed & Hockey Teams

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Wanganui Holiday Programme

Venue: Rutherford Junior High School
32 Toi Street, Tawhero
Dates: Monday 8th July – Thursday 11th July
Costs: \$120 (4 days) or \$35 per child per day.

