

#### Dear Parents/Caregivers and Whanau

#### Kia ora tatoa

Welcome back for Term 4 of 2019.

Staff have a great last term planned. Below are some important dates you may wish to put into your diary.

Shoot keys for school photographs are expected back by the end of the month.

In school, Term 4 is particularly busy. As well as all the end of year requirements, we start planning and organising for 2020. Please ensure any 2020 new entrants of current school families are enrolled and pass this onto any families with any pre-school children who intend to start at our school next year. Also if your child is not returning next year, please let us know.

I understand how busy family life is. The best activity you and your child can do to help them with their progress and achievement is read. Please listen to your child read texts they are confident with. Read to them or with them. Make it a happy time of the day, away from distraction. Don't slog on with difficult texts. Be their fluency coach and re-read favourites. Get expression going!! Pause, prompt, praise. Sincerely thanking you for the ongoing support you provide to your children, their teachers and our school.

Nga Mihi

Michael Fitzgerald.

#### Term 4—Significant dates to diary

- October:
- $\Rightarrow$ Monday 21<sup>st</sup>
- $\Rightarrow$ Monday 28<sup>th</sup>
- $\Rightarrow$ Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>
- $\Rightarrow$ Thursday 31<sup>st</sup>

#### November:

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>  $\Rightarrow$
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>  $\Rightarrow$
- $\Rightarrow$ Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>
- $\Rightarrow$ Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>
- $\Rightarrow$ Thursday 28th (To be confirmed)
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup>  $\Rightarrow$

#### December:

- Tuesday 3rd  $\Rightarrow$
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- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>
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- $\Rightarrow$ Friday 6<sup>th</sup>
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- $\Rightarrow$ Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>
- $\Rightarrow$ Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>
- $\Rightarrow$ Friday 13<sup>th</sup>

### **Celebrating Success**

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved success in their chosen sports.

- Ashton Kibblewhite & Isla Jones: U13 Hockey Reps
- Bailee Jones: 1st overall Level Two Aeroschools Taranaki-Whanganui Gym Sports Tri Series 2.
- Isabel Ross: Represented Wanganui in Rink Hockey at the National tournament for Under 13's during the holidays. Her team came 1st to win Gold & become national champions.

PTA Meeting, 7pm Staffroom School Closed - Labour Day BOT Meeting, 7pm Year 6 - Kapiti Island Trip

#### School Athletics Mufti/Wheels Day - Foodbank Appeal Interschool Athletics - Cooks Gardens **BOT Meeting** Piwakawaka Team Picnic -(Rm 11/12/13/14) Mitre 10 Mega Tough Kids

Tui Team Picnic (Rm 9/10/15/16)				
Year 6 Senior Operetta - 7pm				
Ruru Team Picnic (Rm 5/6/7/8)				
Reports Home				
Year 6 Social				
Karearea Team Picnic (Rm 1/2/3/4)				
Year 6 Leavers Assembly, 9am-11an				
School closes 12noon.				

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#### Welcome to School

A very warm welcome to Joanna Jijo, Molly Devane, Te Manawanui Marks-George and Poppy Englebretsen. We wish you every success with your learning at our school. We also welcome Mrs Wendy Sullivan-Brown with us for Term 4 in Room 12.

#### Term 4 Sports

Thank you to Glen Howells for all the - time and effort put into organising this terms school sports teams. Thank you to

those who have stepped up to take teams, much appreciated. Some teams however did need to be pulled from the competition due to no one willing to coach/manage. Please ensure the coach feels appreciated and respected for their efforts they are making.

#### Uniform



We now move into summer uniform. After Labour weekend all students are expected to be in the correct summer uniform, including plain black sandals. A school bucket or newly introduced wide brimmed hat is a

compulsory part of the uniform in Terms 1 & 4, and are available from our uniform suppliers Andersons Uniforms in Victoria Ave. All hair accessories are to be in school colours (red/black/grey/white.)

#### Senior Speech Competition

On the 18th September the Karearea Team held their Speech Competition Finals. All Year 5 & 6 learners worked hard on the intricacies, structure and specific language used to write a speech in Term 3. Mrs O'Hara and Mrs Scrimshaw had a very difficult task of judging the high standard of the finalists speeches. The Karearea Team presented a high standard of public speaking, they were thoroughly prepared, knew their speech well and displayed confidence and maturity in their topic choice. The audience were persuaded!!

#### Congratulations to the top place getters:

Year 6:	1st	Phoebe Tripe
	2nd	Te Atakura Potaka-Osborne Milner-Skudder
	3rd	Jack Bowen
Year 5:	1st	Grace Eastabrook
	2nd	Annabelle Brown
	3rd	Elle Limpus



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#### **Virtues Programme**

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



Commitment: Ji Ho Lee. Tyler Bissett, Amelia Allardice. Commitment to all areas of learning: Youqi Wu. Whanaungatanga -

Supporting others: Murray Drummond. Determination: Liam Archer. Diligence: Ashton Baxter, Zac Davies.

Ako - always finding out new things to share: Riley Symes. Perseverance: Logan Plant, Olivia Back, Travis Perry, Nikson Ryan. Kindness: Ariella Roy, Kathy Vu, Emma Ward, Dani Dudley.

#### **HOUSE SINGING 2019**

We were very proud of our house leaders in this years House Singing competition. They work tirelessly with their respective house groups to have them prepared and ready for the performances. Two wonderful afternoons of high quality singing and showmanship was appreciated by parents, teachers and children. We were blown away by the efforts and quality.

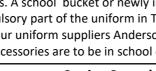
The results were:

- Rata and Totara 1st equal Big Group Beatles songs.
- Kowhai 1st Waiata
- Kauri 1st Small Group









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### National Shake Out Day

This was held across New Zealand at 1.30pm on Thursday 17th October. SJHS took part and practiced our Drop/Cover/Hold.

- DROP down on your hands and knees. This protects you from falling but lets you move if you need to.
- COVER your head and neck (or your entire body if possible) under a sturdy table or desk (if it is within a few steps of you).
- HOLD on to your shelter (or your position to protect your head and neck) until the shaking stops. If the shaking shifts your shelter around, move with it.

If you are unable to drop, brace yourself in a chair or wheelchair (lock your wheels) and cover your head and neck with your hands and arms. If you are outside, move away from buildings, trees, streetlights and power lines, then Drop, Cover and Hold. Stay there until the shaking stops. Many people are injured while trying to move during the shaking. It is safer to Drop, Cover and Hold until the shaking is over.



After the Shake Out drill we evacuated to our afe meeting place.

## Me mahi tahi tatou mö te oranga o te katoa.

We should work together for the wellbeing of everyone



School Trophies/Cups It's that time of year that all cups and trophies presented to Year 6 students last year need to be returned to school. If you have older siblings who received cups could these please be returned to the office. Thank you.