

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whanau,

Kia Ora Koutou

I hope that the first two weeks back to school at Level 2 have gone well for you all.

We are collecting staff, parent and student feedback regarding the recent experience of Distance Learning. A parent survey has been shared on Seesaw. If you have not already, we ask you to please provide us with feedback regarding your experience. This was unprecedented for us all. We will collate the responses and this will be valuable for us moving forward.

As you are now aware, the Peakes Road accessway to our school is closed for the next 10 weeks. This will put even more pressure and risk at our main school gate. We encourage older students to be dropped off at Virginia Lake and walk the short distance to school. I am told that it is a 10 minute walk from the Peakes Road entrance to the Parkes Ave entrance. This is another option. Parents of children who can get out of the car quickly and independently can only use the Kiss & Drop zone.

A reminder to all drivers to be extra vigilant around the school entrance.

Nga mihi

Michael Fitzgerald

## Welcome to School

A warm welcome to all of new students who have joined our school family this Term. We wish you all the best with your learning.



Priansh Singh, Joyce Zhu, Iris Deere, Karli Thom, Paterson Tinsley, Sofia Pathak, Maggie Oskam, Gabrielle Russell, Skyla Smith, Tahleah Hawley, Ryder Barry, Charlie Chaplow, Liam Verhoek, Niamh Ellingham, Advik Singh, Isla Moore, Hadrian Lee.

**PTA Easter Bun Fundraiser which was postponed due to lockdown will now be delivered to school on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you for your patience.**

## Oral Health Update

Whanganui DHB Community Oral Health Service is pleased to inform you we are able to recommence oral health care in schools at level 2.

We will be following the requirements of the Ministry of Health and the Dental Council of New Zealand, (New Zealand government COVID 19 Alert Level 2) when we re-commence service at our mobile units and fixed sites from 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

We will be following these requirements for:

- when patients can be seen
- what type of treatment can be provided
- what conditions are required to provide treatment.

For patients who are well, we will be able to provide routine care and urgent or emergency care. This will be provided where the child's care is normally received.

For those children who are unwell, treatment is likely to be deferred until they have recovered, or urgent or emergency care will most likely be provided within the hospital dental unit.

For relief of pain care for **well children**, you should ring the following number to arrange treatment for your child:

Whanganui Hospital Dental Unit 06 3483120 or 0800 825 583	
Tawhero Dental Clinic	06 3445474
Whanganui Intermediate Dental Clinic	06 3481716
Marton Primary Dental Clinic	06 3276016
Taihape Dental Clinic	06 3889245
Ohakune Dental Clinic	06 3858195

**For those children who will be attending appointments with a parent or other support person:** we will ask questions about the health of the child before making the appointment.

**For those children who will be attending from school and without a parent at both fixed sites and mobile units:** we will be phoning the parent the day before we intend seeing the child and asking questions about the health of your child. If the child attends school the next day and appears well, we will provide treatment.

Please phone/text Barb Dewson, Clinical Manager Oral Health (027 2299614) with any concerns you may have as we recommence caring for the oral health of the children of our region.

## Virtues Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have been recognised for displaying our school virtues.

**Cleanliness:** Tyler Bissett.

**Tact:** Charlie Devane.

**Manaakitanga - Kind and Caring:** Jadei Anderson, Freya Cross.

**Whanaungatanga - A sense of belonging, cooperation:**

Stella Buckland.

**Ako - for demonstrating a growth mindset in her learning:**

Ella Cavanagh.



**Ako - a cooperative and considerate learner:** Solomon Deere.

**Courage:** Devon Grant, Sophie Bennetts, Ramiro Trafford,

**Kindness:** Paige Tasker, Tahleah Hawley, Rocco Pepe.

## 2020 Winter Sports

I have received information for the following winter sports regards to the start dates and costs for the season.

### Football - 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th Grades

- Starts 20<sup>th</sup> June and concludes 19<sup>th</sup> September
- Cost \$37.00

<https://enrolmy.com/st-johns-hill-school/book-now/14-Football>

### Hockey - Yrs 5 & 6 only

- Starts Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June and concludes at the end of September (date to be confirmed).
- Cost \$40.00

<https://enrolmy.com/st-johns-hill-school/book-now/15-Yr-5-and-Yr-6-Hockey>

### Hockey - Yrs 1, 2, 3 and 4

- Starts Wednesdays 22<sup>nd</sup> July (3rd Term) and concludes at the end of September (date to be confirmed).
- Cost \$40.00

(Enrolmy link will be open next week).

### Netball - Yrs 5-6

- Starts Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July (3rd Term) and concludes Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September

### Netball - Yrs 1-4

- Starts Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July (3rd Term) and concludes Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

(Enrolmy link to come, cost to be advised)

Registrations for these 2 options are now open - Please use the links above to get on to Enrolmy or use the links that are on Facebook and in messages on Seesaw to register your child. (Don't forget that we are going to need coaches as well).

## AT ST JOHNS HILL SCHOOL WE SHOW

<b>R</b> - RELIABILITY	<i>I live above the line and am dependable.</i>
<b>E</b> - EXCELLENCE	<i>I do my best.</i>
<b>S</b> - SELF DISCIPLINE	<i>I manage myself.</i>
<b>P</b> - POSITIVITY	<i>I am optimistic and enthusiastic.</i>
<b>E</b> - ENGAGEMENT	<i>I enjoy my learning and am inquiring.</i>
<b>C</b> - CARING	<i>I relate well to others and our environment.</i>
<b>T</b> - THINKING	<i>I am curious, creative and a lifelong learner.</i>

**FOR SELF, OTHERS AND OUR ENVIRONMENT**



## PB4L - Positive Behaviour For Learning

PB4L is a school wide look at behavior and learning from a whole-of-school as well as an individual child perspective. The framework is based on international evidence.

PB4L School-Wide takes at least 3-5 years to put in place. Over this time, schools should see:

- Incidents of problem behaviour decline
- The behaviour of students improve
- Teachers spending more time teaching
- Students more engaged and achieving

PB4L School-Wide takes the approach that opportunities for learning and achievement increase if:

- The school environment is positive and supportive
- Expectations are consistently clear
- Students are consistently taught desired behaviours
- Students are consistently acknowledged for desired behaviours and undesirable behaviours are responded to in a fair and equitable way.

We are currently starting our journey in this area of professional development.

Our school has a very responsive behaviour management programme based on restorative practice, our virtues programme and concept of 'Living above the line'. However, maintaining this safe and positive environment, requires us to regularly be reviewing, adjusting and adapting innovative practices.

Our school is finding that students needs are changing and that managing challenging behaviour is growing. Parents are also reporting increased tensions with student behaviour and wellbeing. We are happy that this commitment to PB4L over the next few years, will assist students, staff and whanau.

Staff meet with the PB4L facilitator later this month and further information will follow.



*He aroha whakato  
He aroha puta mai  
If kindness is sown  
Then kindness you shall receive*



## TOUR DE WHANGANUI

GET THOSE WHEELS SPINNING!



ON NOW UNTIL MONDAY 8 JUNE 2020  
FOR DETAILS VISIT  
[WWW.VELORONNYS.CO.NZ](http://WWW.VELORONNYS.CO.NZ)