

Welcome

Kia ora e te whānau, and welcome to the end of term 2 newsletter. It has been a long term and a break is very much needed for our staff and tamariki to recharge for the 2nd half of the year.

Netball & Hockey Results

Congratulations to all of our Netball and Hockey teams who competed every Monday and Thursday afternoon. You have been great ambassadors for our school on and off the field/court. Your dedication and hard work was also reflected in some of the results. Well done to all our coaches and their respective teams. Placings - **Netball:** Y7/8- 1st, Y5/6- 2nd. **Hockey:** U11 - 3rd, U9 - 2nd, U7 - 2nd. Ka rawe koutou!

Concerns & Complaints

Please continue to raise any concerns or complaints according to our procedures. You have all been great in following these and I encourage you to read these again to familiarise yourselves. Your feedback and queries are always welcomed and we will address any to the best of our abilities.

Matariki mā Puanga

Mānawatia a Matariki mā Puanga - it is that time of the year where we come together and appreciate the present, remember those they came before us, and partake in shared kai. I hope you have a safe and enjoyable Matariki break and we look forward to seeing you all back in Term 3 for more learning opportunities, more successes and celebrations, and even more fun.

Ngā mihi,
Pā Wes

Property Update

The school continues to be a bustling place of maintenance and upgrades particularly over the break. We are pleased to provide an update on several key projects:

School wide painting: Still on-going.

Hall Repairs: Still on-going but expected to be completed over the break.

Block A Renovation: Still on-going with major sewer and drainage work to occur over the break.

Block F Renovation: Heat-pumps are due to be installed over the break in each of the classrooms.

Odd Jobs: We are incredibly grateful to our amazing community of parents who every once in a while, volunteer their time and expertise to do little odd jobs to fix or repair; doors, gates, fences, seats, tables, and a whole raft of jobs that require some elbow grease and skills that my 'office' hands are pretty useless at! We see you, and appreciate your support.

Mid-Year Reports & Learning Conferences

This week your child's mid-year report came out and you would have had the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss these reports and their learning progress as well as their overall attitude and character in class. These are valuable experiences for both whānau, students, and teachers to engage in conversations that will only benefit our future generations. Attached is also an information sheet to help better understand the reporting changes.

SOTP programme & promotional video

Earlier this term, we had the pleasure of having videographers on site to record a promotional video on behalf of the Ministry of Education (MOE). More specifically, they were able to capture Alisea and Crystal, two of our outstanding TAs from a team of outstanding TAs, who are enrolled in a MOE programme (SOTP) to train as teachers by the end of the year. Well done to Alisea and Crystal who are doing great jobs as TAs but also for being recognised as students amongst their cohort who are excelling as training teachers.

Temporary Sensory Space Cabin

Our building renovations had meant our sensory space had to be converted into a classroom until renovations were completed. With limited space in the school, it became very clear how much our sensory space was missed and needed. A massive mihi and thank you to Bryce and Renee @ **Four-Square Woodville** for sourcing us a temporary Cabin to act as our sensory space until the building renovations are completed. Our tamariki are incredibly lucky for the generosity and kindness of our community!

Attendance Matters

Our daily attendance rate (*percentage of students at school each day*) at the end-point of term 2 is **90.2%** and our regular attendance rate (*percentage of students attending school 90% or more of the time*) at the end-point of term 2 is at **60.3%**. Unfortunately, this was a drop from our mid-term attendance rates which is disappointing. Some whānau would have received notifications from classroom teachers and or truancy letters from myself. We know that Winter is settling in and illnesses are on the rise but please make contact with me or the office if you need support getting your tamariki to school. We know we can do better so lets continue to strive to lift our attendance rates in Term 3.

Upcoming/Important Reminders

- Tapping Back at Woodville Racecourse - Monday 13th July @10am
- Start of Term 2 - Monday 20th July
- BOT hui - Monday 27th July @6pm
- 7 aside tournament - Wednesday 29 July
- Bush Basketball Starts - Wednesday 29 July
- Neurodiverse Support Group - Friday 31st July @4pm

Our Awesome Ākonga



Whāia Te Iti Kahurangi - In Pursuit of Excellence