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Newsletter 12th June 2019

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Families - kia ora, kia orana, talofa, malo e lelei, fakaalofa atu, hallo and greetings

From the Acting Principal

Thank you to all who turned out and contributed to make the farewell for Sue Sinclair very special last Friday. Many memories shared and a few tears, too! I know Sue appreciated the afternoon and the gifts.

A few reminders this week:

- Our postponed **Soccer Hockey Day** at Port Albert Domain is **tomorrow – 13th June**. Buses will be leaving here at approx. 9am.
- **Sibling/Children Returning Sheets** - thank you to all those who have returned these already - please keep them coming in! It is a big help to us for planning.

Many thanks, nga mihi nui

Jill Corkin
Acting Principal

Maths Information Afternoon for Parents - Tuesday 2nd July 2.30 - 4pm

Do you wonder how maths is taught at school? Is it different to when you were at school?

We believe everyone can be a good mathematician. We believe it is more important for students to have an understanding of what they are doing, than to be able to work at speed. We are very fortunate to be able to offer you a session with Lucie Cheeseman, who has worked with the teachers at school over the last couple of years. She will present some information to you that will explain why we do what we do and she will be happy to answer questions.

Please come to our special math information afternoon for parents on Tuesday 2nd July after school in Room 5. We will also have a display in Room 4 showing the sort of activities you might see in our classrooms.

Key Dates - for the rest of the term

Wednesday 12 th June	7pm - Board of Trustees meeting (last meeting of the current Board). <i>All welcome.</i>
Friday 14 th June	Last day for voting, BOT elections
Thursday 20 th June	Board election results announced
Friday 21 st June	1.50pm School Assembly. <i>All welcome.</i>
Thursday 27 th June	Room 7 trip to Annie Production
Friday 28 th June	Mrs Corkin's last day & school lunch day 1.30pm Special Welcome Assembly for Mrs Neels
Monday 1 st July	Mrs Neels' first day
Friday 5 th July	REPORTS home today. Last day, Term 2

Some key dates for the remainder of the year:

Term 3	Monday 22 nd July - Friday 27 th September
Wednesday 24 th July	First meeting of the new Board of Trustees
Tuesday 17 th Sept	School production at Wellsford Community Centre
Wednesday 18 th Sept	School production at Wellsford Community Centre
Friday 18 th October	Show Day
16 th November	Guy Fawkes Fundraiser

Schools Cycling New Zealand

On 6th July, in Cambridge, the North Island schools road cycling championships, Luke and Kyle want to form a team and need 2 more students to join them. They will need to be from year 7 or 8, and able to cycle 16km, and cycle a road bike.

A 3 person team is allowed but you will need to be reliable.

Info is available online, at: schools.cyclingnewzealand.nz if your child is interested please contact the school.

Tough Guy and Gal Challenge

<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/2019-TGG-Junior-A4-1-day-B.pdf>

On Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd July Tough Guy and Gal is on in Auckland and it offers categories from year 3 up!

The link above takes you to a direct parent registration form for the event with all event details.

As with the cycling, we are happy for the students to represent the school at this school children based event provided they are meeting the expectations for learning and behaviour in school time.

Parents would be responsible for getting students to and from the event and paying the registration fee associated with the entry directly to the event organizers.

The entry fee is \$25 or \$30 per child depending on when the registration is completed.

If you are interested in taking your student to this event, please contact the school so we can put you in touch with other parents also involved.

From Helping Hands

Helping Hands have set up a separate Facebook page for news and information about events. Please find this and request to join us to keep up to date with what is happening.

SCHOOL LUNCHES will be available on the LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH - Pies \$3; Sausage rolls \$2; Juicies \$1; Popsicles \$1.50; Tip Top Tubs \$2. **The next date for school lunches will be Friday 28th June.**

Guy Fawkes is the major fundraiser for the school. Helping Hands would like to hear from anyone who is willing to lend a hand with one of the many tasks required for this big event. If you can help, please contact Anne Richards on 021 521 513.

Animal rescues in the Wellsford area.

Fur2Feathers Animal Rescue has several cats, kittens and chickens that are ready for adoption. All cats are desexed and the chickens are laying. If you can give them a safe loving for their entire life home text us on 021 2173390

