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Tena koutou katou

With spring now upon us, we will hopefully see longer and warmer days and a reduction in the winter sniffles. Sometimes as a parent or caregiver it can be difficult to decide whether your child is well enough to come to school or not. The Te Whatu Ora (Health New Zealand) website offers good advice and guidance if you are unsure. Regular attendance at school is important. One day missed of school every two weeks is equal to more than a whole year by the time children are 16 years of age. If you are having difficulties getting your child to school please talk to us, as often a chat to your child's teacher may solve the issue.

A big thank to those parents that helped with the organisation of the hangi and also assisted on the day. The kai was delicious and appreciated by all of us.

Next week is the Book Fair and this is a great opportunity to come into school and look at all the wonderful books on offer. These books will make wonderful birthday and Christmas presents. Congratulations to all the children that have participated in the Diorama contest, they are looking fantastic!

Regards Richard

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The School Board meeting is next Tuesday, 10 September 2024 at 6.30 pm in the Administration Office Board Room. All parents are welcome to attend. Please note that while members of the public can attend this meeting, it is not a public meeting.

NEW STUDENTS

We welcome Scarlett Yorston to Grantlea Downs this week.

NETBALL UNIFORMS

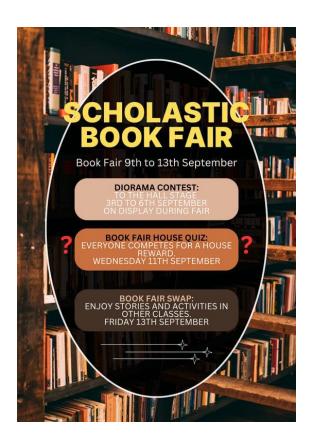
Now that the netball season has finished, please have all uniforms returned to the office asap.



The Scholastic Book Fair is on next week, 9th to 13th September.

It will be open 8:45-9:15am in the morning and from 3:00pm each afternoon.

Come and view the diorama contest entries, which will be on display in the hall.





Opihi Team - Sports Demonstration Thursday 12th September

On Thursday 12th September the Opihi Team are holding their Sports Demonstration.

We are starting at 11.00am and we will stop for lunch at 12.30pm. You are welcome to come and watch and then join your child for lunch. At 1.30pm we will start our sprint races.

Children are encouraged to wear their House colour tops to school.

We would also like some parent helpers to help us run the sports demonstration. We need help with the long jump and kicking balls into a net. These events may not be able to take place without parent helpers. Please contact the office on 684 7706 if you are able to help.

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PLANTING

Last Monday, six students from Rm 11 planted 43 native flaxes on the north side of Te Ahi Tarakihi Creek at the back of the school. We have been growing these flaxes in the school garden over the past two years, so they would be ready for planting. We hope they will now grow well and make our creek beautiful and healthy, and keep the weeds away!







REMINDER

Grantlea Downs Olympics Thursday 19 September

You are welcome to come and watch the Opening Ceremony of the Grantlea Downs Olympics at 12.00pm at the Sports Centre (Morgans Rd) and then watch the countries compete for medals. The children will travel to the Stadium by bus and you can take your child home from the Stadium at the conclusion of the Closing Ceremony or they will travel back to school by bus at approximately 2.30pm.

Just a reminder that children have been asked to wear clothes in the colour of the country that they are representing. A notice will be sent home tomorrow with more information.



Principal Awards - Term 3 Week 6

Caspar Kovacs, Ksenia Streltsova, Araliyah Karena-Jamison, Kassi White

Class and Values Champions

Class Awards - Week 5

Travis Dockrill, Charlee Woods, Aliviyah Pairama-Wishnowsky, Louis Dennis, Brooklyn Thomson, Harry Thornton, Alaysia Ballantyne, Skyler Felizardo, Brodie Penty, James Chambers, Brylee Taylor,

Values Champion - Week 6

Sinoti Morrison, Evie Hokai-Gage, Bianka O'Connor, Finley Hunter, Dontae Jamison, Jada Wills, Jayda Gibson, Marley Henry, TJ Kotua-Tekoronga, Leroy Johnston, Jivahn Lambie, Pyper McGiffert, Micheala Dockerty





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INTERESTED? Come and meet with us at **Waimataitai Primary School, Staff Room, Tuesday 10th September from 3.30pm to 6pm**. Call Raewyn on 0220886839 for further information or go to our website <u>here</u>.

Celtic Cricket Club

JAB registration is Wednesday 18th Sept $5.30-6.30\,\mathrm{pm}$ and Saturday 21st $10-11\,\mathrm{am}$ at the clubrooms on Craigie Ave

Subs are \$40 or \$50 for a family, payable at registration.

Further info contact: Andrew Buckingham 02108399769 or message on Celtic FB page

Plant Sale at St Stephen's Church ,349 Wai-iti Road. 9 am Saturday 14 September.

Vegetable plants, flowers, etc. Cake Stall. Children's Activities . All welcome.

