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TE MANANWANUI EVENING - THURSDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2024



WELCOME

Our Whānau Night was magic - an amazing community turnout, heaps of fun and a chance for all to relax and connect. I hope you all had a wonderful time. A special thank you to our PALS group who sold their cookbooks and lollies, and to our staff who manned the sausage sizzles and activities.

BY-ELECTION FOR BOARD MEMBERS

At last night's Board of Trustees meeting it was decided to run a bi-election to fill the vacancies that have come up. Allan McLean has decided to step down as his own children have all moved onto their intermediate years and Pene Hallett is now employed by the school, working in the office. If you are keen to be involved in our

school, at a governance level, then please send me an email and let me know - bwardsmith@lss.school.nz No experience is required and everyone has something to contribute. Schools are vibrant and exciting places and Board members get a lot of knowledge and enjoyment through their involvement.





JOE MCMENAMIN MURAL

This week Joe McMemamin has been hosting schools from across the region to create a mural that will adorn the Civic Centre to commemorate 150 years of Feilding and Districts. Keep an eye out for this completed mural later in the 2024 year.

TEEBALL & SOFTBALL

For the last few years we have offered teeball and softball games for LSS students after school on Thursdays. This has proved to be very popular so we'll be running it again this term. LSS staff members will be organising the games and students will be divided into different teams each afternoon depending on numbers. This makes it flexible for families if they're unavailable some weeks.

Supervision:

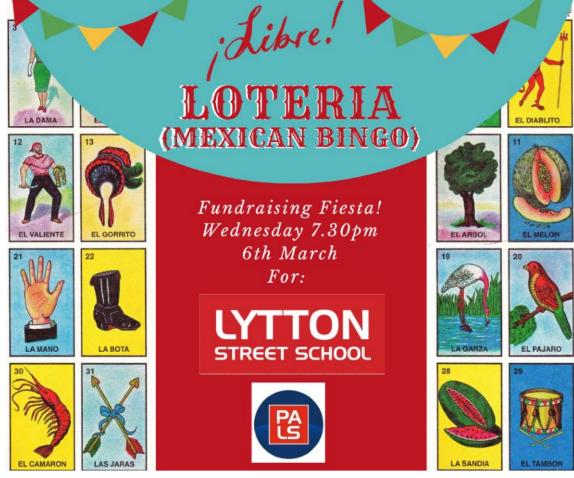
- Yr 0-2 students will need to have parents accompany them and it's also helpful to have a few adults on the field helping players run the right way and stand in the correct positions.
- Yr 3-6 students can be picked up at the end of their game. We will not be taking a roll each week so will be relying on parents to be responsible for their child's attendance.
- Age Groups: Yr 0-2 (teeball), Yr 3/4 (teeball), Yr 5/6 (softball)
- Times: Thursday afternoons
- Yr 0-2 & Yr 3/4 3:15pm 3:45pm
- Yr 5/6 3:15pm 4:00pm
- Dates: 29th Feb 4th April
- Venue: Lytton Street School field
- No Cost

If you would like your child to be involved in our LSS Teeball/Softball, please complete the google form that was sent out via SeeSaw.

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We have now seen every class at least once and what a brilliant range of ideas, questions, suggestions, solutions and strategies we have been privileged to hear – it has been so heartening to see and hear the engagement of the students as they boldly affirm their unique perspectives. We are encouraging the students to practise their acts of kindness on their families, as this helps to cement connections in their amazing brains, and the seniors seem very keen on the idea of puberty being a one-of-a kind adventure that has no re-runs, sequels, or season twos! We are SO looking forward to the rest of the sessions – take care everyone and have a wonderful rest of the day! Best wishes from Tim and Harold!





HURRICANES POUA | BLACK FERNS

Last Friday we had an amazing opportunity for a group of senior girls to meet some Hurricanes Poua / Black Ferns and their physiotherapist. They began with a question and answer session and then headed to the field for some games. Our girls even got given flags and the session ended with plenty of signatures. Thanks so much Monica, Layla, Te, Hannah, and Ray for visiting us and promoting your game.









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Kauwhata Marae Visit & Noho

In Week 6 we will be holding our marae visits and overnight noho (Year 5 & 6 classes only staying overnight) at Kauwhata Marae. We are very excited to be able to offer our tamariki this experience. There are a range of activities that tamariki will participate in which will add to their marae experience which will be facilitated by our staff.



Parents and whānau are invited to join us for the day and will be invited to a formal pōwhiri to be welcomed onto the marae. Parents who wish to attend later in the day are not required to be formally welcomed on, however, there will be an opportunity to recognise them once they have arrived. Please notify your child's teacher if you intend to arrive after the pōwhiri time. We do not require parents to stay overnight, however you are welcome to stay until 7pm and then return in the morning. Any questions regarding this, please contact Pā Ronald (rnolan@lss.school.nz).

A reminder that all children require enough kai for the day and a water bottle. There will be no school lunches for the classes at the marae. Dinner and breakfast will be provided for those staying overnight. Please notify your child's teacher if they have any special dietary requirements prior to the day. Further information and a gear list for Yr 5 & 6 will be shared next week. Timetable:

- Monday 4 March: Te Manawanui: Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 21 & Eke Pānuku
- Tuesday 5 March: Te Mātauranga: Rooms 16,17,18,19, 20, 23
- Wednesday 6 March: Te Atawhai: Rooms 12, 13, 14, 15, 5 & 6
- Thursday 7 March: Te Tipu 1/2, Rooms 24 & 25
- Depart school 9.15am
- Return 2.30pm (Year 5/6 classes to stay overnight & they will return to school the following day at 10am)

AWESOME DANCE & MUSIC

Our awesome dance programme kicked off last week. Whaea Alecia is running this programme. Alecia has been teaching dance for many years and now our kids are getting the chance to learn from her. Dance is an awesome medium for kids to express themselves, stay fit and learn some terrific moves. In addition, our music programme has also begun.

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PETER MACKENZIE

Last Friday some of our senior classes were entertained by Mr Peter McKenzie who is a renowned local actor. He presented a dialogue he has written which explains some of the history of the Manchester Block. This is a perfect lead in to the upcoming 150th celebrations being held next month. The children were suitably entertained and were able to make connections with the current township of Feilding.

