

Lytton Street School

Thursday 22nd May

Newsletter: 25/14











WELCOME

Well what a huge week we have enjoyed. The Education Review Office (ERO) came to our kura from Monday through to Wednesday. Their aim is to review schools and ensure the standard of education being provided is appropriate. I can absolutely say that the feedback we have received this week has been outstanding. Here are some key points:

ATTENDANCE RATE

Congratulations to you all, our attendance rate for last week was a cracking...

Well done to you all - keep it up!

- Learners benefit from excellent quality teaching practice that improves progress and achievement and offers rich opportunities.
- School has significantly improved achievement and progress for those learners most at risk, and significantly extended achievement progress for those learners working at or above expectation.
- Learners express a strong sense of belonging and connection to the school and are well supported by staff and leaders.
- Leadership builds and sustains high levels of relational trust with staff, learners, whānau and the community.
- Leaders and teachers have a sound shared understanding and planned approach of evaluation for improvement.

As a school we are extremely proud of these findings. Thank you to our awesome whānau for all you do to support teaching and learning also.

NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS DAY

On Tuesday, 20th May, four students from Te Raukura attended the National Young Leaders Day at the Regent on Broadway in Palmerston North. This inspiring event brought together students from across the region to hear from a range of influential speakers about leadership, resilience, and the importance of stepping up to challenges. Speakers included award-winning singersongwriter Georgia Lines, environmental innovator Elisa Harley, wellbeing leader Jase Te Patu, and mental wellness communicator Julia Grace.

Key leadership takeaways from the day were:

- Don't be afraid to face your fears step outside your comfort zone and just do it!
- Lead by example and others will follow
- Value yourself and the strengths you bring

This was a fantastic leadership opportunity for our tamariki, and we look forward to them sharing their insights with the rest of the Te Raukura group over the coming weeks. Thank you to Sarah Ackroyd for supporting these tamariki on this trip.











TE AO MĀORI @ LSS

As mentioned in our previous newsletter Whaea Chanse is continuing her te reo Māori lessons. These are an ideal chance for your child to learn from a fluent te reo speaker in a structured and well paced environment. Whaea Sarah will be sending out a letter for whānau so they can express their interest in te reo Māori lessons for their child. Please keep an eye out for this. Initially, we will not be able to accomodate everyone, but we are hopeful that throughout the year your child will have the opportunity. Thank you for your support.

TE RAUKURA - LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Over the past three weeks, Te Raukura students have been participating in a leadership development programme facilitated by Joel from Sport Manawatū. As part of this initiative, they have explored the qualities of effective leadership—such as communication, teamwork, and responsibility—while learning to plan and facilitate a variety of games. These games will be run as lunchtime clubs during

break times, supporting and engaging our tamariki in the playground. The clubs will be offered daily, with a diverse range of activities available to cater to different interests.



RUGBY LEAGUE

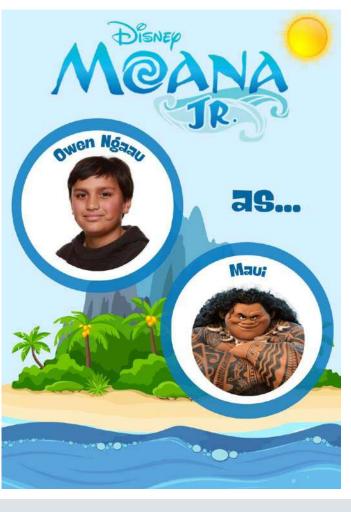
Feilding Whānau Sports Club Under 10s Rugby League team won their tournament at the weekend. This was a great achievement and capped off an unbeaten season. Unfortunately, Mason was missed out of last week's acknowledgements. Mason was a great contributor to this team. Here he is with the trophy. Well done mate.





PRODUCTION AUDITIONS - MOANA JR

Last week auditions were held for the main characters for our upcoming school production of Moana Junior. What a talented bunch of kids we have here at Lytton Street! We were hugely impressed by the calibre of the auditions and would love to extend our congratulations to the following students for being successful:



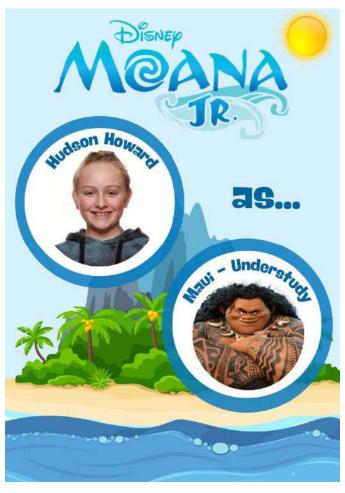






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PINK SHIRT DAY

Last Friday Aotearoa was transformed into a sea of māwhero/ pink as we stood together for Pink Shirt Day. This day represents coming together to support each other, spread aroha, celebrate diversity and end bullying. Lytton Street School is a firm supporter of this initiative. See photo to the right.

LSS PTA

Our wonderful Lytton Street School PTA group have kicked off this term with a bang. There is a new Facebook page which has been established called <u>Lytton Street School Community</u> and we would love for you to head on over to the check out the new page, and support our school in any way you can. There are a range of ways you can help out, from sausage sizzles to fundraising to lending a hand with school events.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

This term our Board of Trustees meetings will be held on Thursday 29th May at 5.30pm and Wednesday 25th June at 5.30pm. Meetings are held in the staffroom and anyone is welcome to attend. Later this year, we will be electing a new Board of Trustees. If this is something you think you may be interested in, please give me a call or pop in to see me to chat about what this role entails.

YEAR 5/6 SWIMMING

Year 5/6 swimming is running every Wednesday and Thursday for the next few weeks. Please remember to remind your child to pack their togs and a towel on these days. All students are bused to and from the Makino Pools just prior to their allotted swimming time.

WANTED: AWESOME VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN OUR PTA DREAM TEAM!



Do you want to help make the school an even better place for our kids... but also love a good laugh, some cheese, and the occasional glass of wine?

Well then, have we got a gig for you!

Position: Volunteer PTA Member

Pay: Zero dollars. But endless good vibes, community spirit, and probably some snacks

Location: School Staff Room (aka our HQ)

Hours: As many or as few as you can give – we're flexible, just like our yoga pants

Job Description: Help plan and run awesome school events, Pitch in on fundraising ideas that actually work (and don't make you dread sending out another sign-up sheet), Join the most fun, casual, and cheese-fueled meetings you'll ever attend. Collaborate with a team of laid-back, gogetter parents who get stuff done and still laugh a lot doing it

Qualifications: Must care about our school and kids. Must not be allergic to fun. Bonus points if you can open a bottle of wine with one hand while writing a bake sale flyer with the other (just kidding... kind of). No experience necessary – just bring your enthusiasm, ideas, and maybe your favourite dip for our next meeting.

YOU IN?

Join us and be the change you want to see in the school parking

DM us, email us, or just show up and we'll put you to work (in the nicest way possible).

Let's do some good and have some fun!

email pta@lyttonstreet.school.nz

OR JOIN OUR COMMUNITY

DO YOU WANT TO HELP OUT OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY WITHOUT THE COMMITMENT OF JOINING THE PTA?

FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR EASY ONE-OFF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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DO YOU WANT TO HELP OUT OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY WITHOUT THE COMMITMENT OF JOINING THE PTA?

WE KNOW YOU'RE BUSY.
WE KNOW YOU'VE GOT COMMITMENT ISSUES.
BUT YOU STILL WANT TO HELP OUT AT SCHOOL WHEN YOU
CAN, AND NOW, YOU CAN!

WE'VE SET UP A FACEBOOK PAGE JUST FOR PEOPLE LIKE YOU, WHANAU WHO WANT TO LEND A HAND WITHOUT JOINING A COMMITTEE OR LOCKING INTO REGULAR COMMITMENTS.

WHETHER IT'S HELPING AT A SAUSAGE SIZZLE, COVERING A STALL FOR 30 MINUTES, OR BRINGING BAKED GOODS FOR A FUNDRAISER — EVERY LITTLE BIT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE.

FOLLOW OUR PAGE, KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR CASUAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, AND JUMP IN WHEN IT SUITS YOU.

NO PRESSURE, NO STRINGS ATTACHED — JUST SUPPORT WHEN YOU'VE GOT THE TIME.





