

WAITANGI DAY, MONDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2023

WELCOME

A very warm welcome back to you all. I hope everyone has enjoyed a wonderful summer break - finally the weather came to the party too!

2023 is going to be a spectacular year here at Lytton Street School. Your amazing teachers have spent the holidays preparing wonderful learning opportunities which are certain to keep everyone engaged and thriving.

A huge welcome to all the fantastic new students we have at our kura. During the holidays we have had a number of new enrolments which shows the great health of our school and the positive reputation in our community.

I would like to wish you all a wonderful 2023.

WHĀNAU EVENING

The weather certainly turned it on for us on Tuesday night as we welcomed all our whānau back to school. It was a super turnout - kids had a blast on the waterslides, free sausages and ice cream, and a chance to chat to teachers and friends. A huge thank you to our school organisation team who put on a great event, and to our wonderful community for their awesome support.

A CHANCE TO MEET THE TEACHER

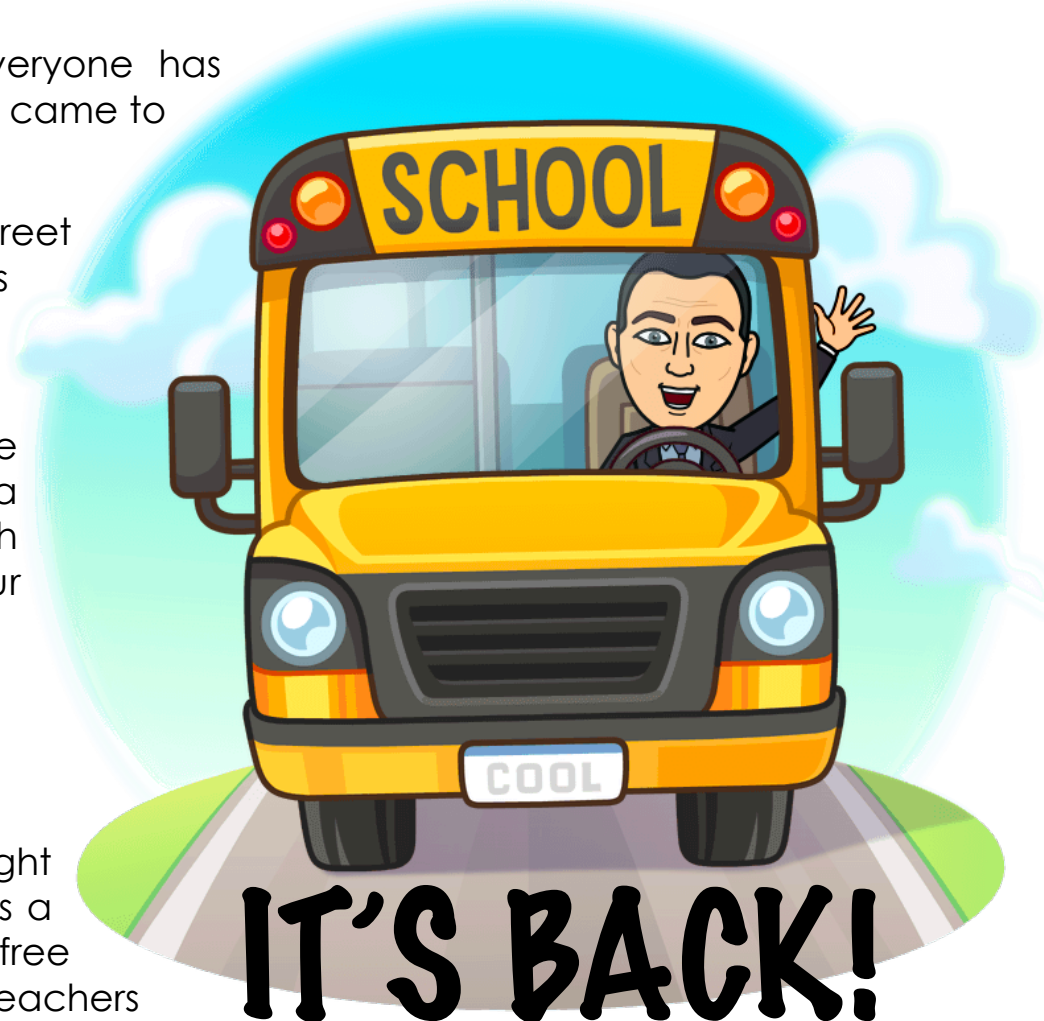
It was great to see so many of you take the opportunity to meet your child's 2023 classroom teacher. If you missed this chance please feel free to make a time and pop on in - you are always welcome.

FOXTON BEACH CAMP

Our Year 5/6 students have a Term 1 overnight camp each year. Having an overnight camp at the start of the year is a great way for students and teachers to get to know each other and form relationships that will have positive impacts on learning and the classroom culture for the rest of the year. A notice has come out regarding this camp - please keep an eye out for this.

TECHNOLOGY

The Board of Trustees has continued with our policy of providing our students with technology equipment. This equipment includes laptops, iPads and robotics. The investment from the Board is considerable but they acknowledge the crucial role that technology plays in teaching and learning. We ask that all caregivers talk to their children around taking care of the equipment and using it safely - further information is coming out shortly.



GIVE GOLF A GO!

Feilding Golf Club have a three week initiative to promote golf in small teams. There is no cost for this event and children can come along and learn the basics of golf while in a fun team environment. No golf experience is necessary. The first session kicks off on the 14th February. A notice has come out regarding this initiative.

TE A O MĀORI @ LYTTON STREET

Waitangi Day | Rā o Waitangi

Waitangi Day | Rā o Waitangi is New Zealand's national day. Every year on 6 February people of all communities and backgrounds gather at Waitangi to commemorate the first signing of New Zealand's founding document: Te Tiriti o Waitangi, The Treaty of Waitangi, on 6 February 1840. Ongoing recognition of the Treaty of Waitangi as the nation's founding document will continue to keep this celebration alive, as the Treaty continues to live as part of New Zealand's past, present and future.

Waitangi Day has been a significant day on New Zealand's calendar since the Treaty of Waitangi was first signed in 1840. The flagstaff which stands on the Upper Treaty Grounds marks the location of the first Treaty signing by representatives of the British Crown and over 40 rangatira (chiefs) on 6 February 1840.

On 5 February 1840 a marquee was erected on the lawn in front of the home of the British resident, James Busby. Captain William Hobson presented a proposal for the attending chiefs to agree to British settlement in New Zealand. The meeting lasted throughout the day, during which the chiefs vigorously debated the proposed Treaty, with some rangatira supporting the Treaty and others opposed to it. The discussions continued that night across the Waitangi River at what is now Te Tii Marae.

On February 6 the rangatira returned to the marquee at Waitangi, where over 40 signed the Māori version of the document, now known as Te Tiriti o Waitangi. By September 1840 over 500 leaders from throughout New Zealand had signed the document.

Please be aware the school is closed on this day.

CAMP RAUKAWA

Our Year 5/6 classes have their end of year camp to Raukawa, situated between Whanganui and Raetihi. It was a great success in 2021 and this year it is booked for the 6th - 15th November. Students will spend 3 days and 2 nights at camp and be involved in a variety of unique activities that provide challenges and learning opportunities. The following website has more information. www.ycentral.nz/raukawa/ The camp charges \$180 per student so we are asking families to contribute \$120 and the school will cover the rest. This will go towards food, accommodation, instructors and activities for the 3 days. Payment plans can be arranged with the school office if families would like to start paying small amounts per week rather than a lump sum in Term 4. A notice will come home later in the term regarding this camp.

BASKETBALL COMPETITION

There is a Year 5/6 basketball competition being offered on Wednesday afternoons throughout Term 1. The competition will be held at Feilding High School and cost \$35 per student. It will start on the 8th February. Basketball trials will take place, if required, in order to select the teams. There will also be an opportunity to play basketball, here at Lytton Street, later in the school term.



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2023 TERM DATES

TERM 1: Wednesday 1st February - Thursday 6th April

TERM 2: Monday 24th April - Friday 30th June

TERM 3: Monday 17th July - Friday 22nd September

TERM 4: Monday 9th October - Tuesday 19th December

Teacher Only Day: Friday 2nd June & Friday 24th November

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