# STREET SCHOOL

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## FOXTON BEACH CAMPS BEGIN NEXT WEEK



## WELCOME

Well it has been an awesome week of dress ups and fundraising. A huge thank you to you all for making an effort to recognise the issues and organisations that have required our support.

## **BLACK & WHITE DAY**

Yesterday was Black & White Day. This event was held to raise funds for our colleagues, their tamariki and their schools in the Hawkes Bay that have suffered during the deluge that Cyclone Gabrielle provided. The kids had a terrific day and all gathered together on the courts to show off their gear. All funds will be directly given to schools this afternoon. A total getting close to almost \$1,000 was raised. Thank you all once again.

## **TAMARIKI TOA**

As some of you may be aware, due to a huge number of entries, we are unable to take part in the Mount Biggs Tough Kid Challenge. Whilst this is disappointing we have decided to run our own event - Tamariki Toa. This event will take place at Timona Park on Friday 24th March 2023. It will be our aim to run the event to give our kids an experience that is as close to the original Tough Kids as possible. The event will cost \$5 and this will buy all kids a crack at the course, a sausage and a chocolate. I



would like to thank all those people who are supporting this event with their expertise or donation. This event will also be attended by a number of our local schools who also missed out on Tough Kids.

## NETBALL 2023

The Netball season is almost upon us. A notice will be coming out shortly with information about enrolment for Netball and also seeking coaches. All players, coaches, and spectators will be required to read the Netball Association's code of conduct prior to the commencement of the season. The Association commented that last year there were weekly issues of inappropriate behaviour, language or issues with umpiring. All schools have been informed that any incidents will be logged, investigated and weekly bans will be enforced. On the whole our parents and coaches have been terrific supporters of Netball at our school and I know that each and every one of you turns up on Saturday to make the experience a positive one for our kids. Please support us in reporting any incidents of inappropriate behaviour immediately. Thank you.

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#### TE A O MÃORI @ LYTTON STREET Tikanga Māori @ LSS.

Te reo Māori and tikanga walk hand in hand together. Generally speaking, tikanga are Māori customary practices or behaviours. The concept is derived from the Māori word 'tika' which means 'right' or 'correct' so, in Māori terms, to

act in accordance with tikanga is to behave in a way that is culturally proper or appropriate. Here at LSS everything we do in our daily lives reflects the tikanga of our kura. Some of these are common sense, others require more explanation to understand the importance. In this section, we will explain a few of the most common tikanga here at our school.

1. Shoes being removed when entering the classroom by all students. While generally seen as a courtesy, the principle of removing one's shoes is also a symbolic one. It represents the leaving of the dust of Tūmatauenga (God of War) outside so that it does not soil the house of Rongo (God of Peace). In essence, we want all tamariki to feel safe and valued within the walls of all of learning spaces. In other words, when we enter the classroom, we leave the worries and cares of the world at the door and enter the whare, being the domain of peace (Rongomatāne), with humility and respect. Bare feet also connects us with Papatūānuku, Mother Earth.

2. Avoid sitting on tables, particularly tables with food on them or those likely to have food on them at any point. Avoid putting bags on tables. Instead place them on the floor or a chair. Why? Putting your bottom or carry bag on the table is perceived to be unhygienic. Not sitting on tables is also linked to Māori beliefs about the tapu (sacred) nature of bodily wastes and the need to keep them separate from food.

3. Avoid putting hats on food tables. Why? This is linked to the idea that heads are tapu so anything that relates to heads, like pillows or hats, should also be treated carefully. The head is seen as the most tapu part of a person hence the reason why anything that connects the head to food, must be kept seperate as much as possible. Kia haumaru te noho whānau. Stay safe and take care.

## SCHOOL SCOOTERS

We're very excited to have a set of brand new school scooters for our classes to use. They are a great addition to the set of school bikes we already have. These resources provide an enjoyable way for our tamariki to keep active and improve their fitness throughout the year. A big thanks to our BOT for funding these. Check out the photo to the right.

### LOUD SHIRT DAY

Last Friday our kids wore their brightest outfit for a day to raise vital funds to help children and adults who are hard of hearing and access sound through cochlear implants. Even though this event was cancelled nationally we decided to go ahead. All funds were donated to the Hearing House and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme (SCIP).









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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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