

YEAR 5/6 SWIMMING

WELCOME

It has been amazing to be back at school after a few weeks of holiday. The kids have come back with huge smiles on their face and seem genuinely positive and keen to get on with their learning. Whilst the kids have been away a huge amount has been happening at school.

Two new containers have been brought onto the school site. One will house our new PE Shed whilst the other will be used as an environment for our extension and support programmes - usually you will find Mrs Chapman in there. The school is planning to add additional containers for our bikes and also an office for our Attendance Service.

I would also like to take the opportunity to welcome back Mrs Nijjar. Mrs Nijjar has returned from maternity leave and taken over in Room 15. It is great to have you back. You may also have noticed that Mrs Lewis is still at school. Anna is working with us until she has her baby. Today she made ANZAC cookies. Many thanks for your unwavering support for our school. Whaea Kelsi is with us for another 2-3 weeks until she heads off on maternity leave. Kelsi is currently teaching in Room 2. Whaea Patty has been employed to take over and is currently teaching alongside Whaea Kelsi. A huge welcome to you Whaea Patty - it is great to have you on board.

ANZAC DAY

A huge thanks to the members of Te Raukura who attended the Feilding Civic Anzac Service this morning. You once again represented LSS with mana and pride. In addition I wanted to thank those who contributed to the ANZAC service in the final week of the school term. This was a terrific opportunity to showcase the history that our school has and the importance this day holds for us as a nation.

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Beginning next week our Year 5/6 students will have two weeks of swimming lessons at Makino Pool. From May 1st - 11th each class will have a half hour swimming lesson and on the 12th we'll finish with a swimming sports event where students can show off their skills. Please remind your child to bring their togs and a towel each day.



E kore rātou e kaumātuaatia
Pēnei i a tātou kua mahue nei
E kore hoki rātou e ngoikore
Ahakoa pehea i ngā āhuatanga o te wā
I te hekenga atu o te rā
Tae noa ki te aranga mai i te ata
Ka maumahara tonu tātou ki a rātou
Ka maumahara tonu tātou ki a rātou.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
We will remember them
We will remember them.

ANZAC REMEMBRANCE



23/11

Thursday 27th April 2023



TE AO MĀORI @ LYTTON STREET

Mihi Whakatau Process - Here at LSS, we begin each term with either a pōwhiri, or a mihi whakatau. The main difference between a pōwhiri and a mihi whakatau is that while a pōwhiri may be conducted on a Marae, a mihi whakatau can be done in other locations and may not feature a karanga (the call of the woman). In this case the mihi whakatau is still an official welcome for all new students and whānau to LSS. It removes the tapu (restrictions) of the manuhiri (visitors) to make them one with the tangata whenua (hosts). This week we will be holding a mihi whakatau in the school hall to welcome new staff, students and whānau to our kura.

Mihi whakatau procedure

- Karanga (if being provided)
- All guests will be guided to their seats
- A karakia/blessing is then recited followed by a mihi/speech by the hosts
- When host speeches are completed manuhiri/visitors will be invited to speak
- All speeches are followed by a waiata tautoko/song of support
- Tangata whenua will then complete the process and invite manuhiri to move across to harirū/shake hands and hongipress noses with tangata whenua/hosts. (Sometimes, depending on Covid alert levels this may be a friendly elbow bump)
- The Kaikōrero will provide guidance. This is followed by partaking in kai/food



Above, Sergeant Graham Farndon and Lance Burch (Board Chair) present at our ANZAC commemorative service last term.

TE MĀTAIAHO

Te Mātaiaho was the focus of our Teacher Only Day held on Monday. It is a refresh of the current New Zealand Curriculum. It is organised around the same eight learning areas and key competencies from the 2007 version. Mātauranga Māori sits at the heart of the learning areas - with key competencies, literacy, and numeracy explicitly woven into each learning area. Te Mātaiaho introduces a progression-focused curriculum - where Phases of learning are designed to be cumulative and increasingly complex. They are signposts that guide the learning pathway for ākonga. Picture Te Mātaiaho as a pathway through a whole school journey for students. Along the way ākonga, kaiako and whānau are guided with signposts, not lines in the sand - these being the Phases of Learning. Ākonga will develop and acquire learning over time and through rich, responsive learning opportunities. Our staff are currently working on how our school and local curriculum will integrate and merge with Te Mātaiaho. I will aim to keep you all informed as our mahi continues.

WHOLE SCHOOL FIRST AID SESSIONS

We are excited to have the ASB St John in Schools programme delivered to us next week which will see each class receive a lesson specifically designed for their age group. Their aim is to develop confident young kids who care for the health and wellbeing of their communities. Sessions deliver positive learning experiences where students will learn how to prevent injuries, apply first aid, and respond to emergencies.

YEAR 5/6 CAMP - RAUKAWA 2023

A notice was sent home yesterday regarding the Year 5/6 camp to Raukawa, just outside Whanganui. The camp is charged to our whānau at \$120 per student. This cost is heavily subsidised by our Board of Trustees. Please be aware there are payment options available to ensure this camp is affordable for all.



LYTTON STREET SCHOOL

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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