



*Kia ora kia tahi, kia tahi kia ora*  
Together, we learn to live and  
live to learn



## BOOK WEEK: 15TH-19TH MAY

### WELCOME

Well the warm weather and rain has certainly been a mixture this week but that hasn't stopped the terrific events and learning experiences from taking place. Swimming, first aid sessions and Pūrākau - a house of stories. All the activities we choose are done so to ensure our students receive a broad and enriching education that engages them in school. A huge thank you, right, to our wonderful sponsors who have enabled us to purchase our super new netball uniforms.



### BOOK WEEK

Our magnificent Book Week is scheduled for Week 4, 15th-19th May. This is an awesome event that really highlights the importance of books and reading for our students. The flyer below showcases some of the amazing events that will be taking place. There will also be an opportunity for whānau to check out and purchase books from our school book display. A huge thank you to Mrs Anna Lewis who has put in an enormous amount of mahi in order to get this event underway. There is a special guest presentation from Mrs Anne Humphrey - the blurb is on the reverse of this page.



### A NEW BABY TO THE WHĀNAU

A new member of the Lewis whānau was born yesterday. Kit James Lewis weighed in at 7 pounds. Both Anna, Kit and Shaun are doing well.

### 125TH JUBILEE

The Lytton Street School 125th Jubilee is scheduled for 2026. With this date in mind and the enormity of the task there is plenty of work to do. I am seeking any members of our current, existing, previous or future community who wish to support the school. The first task is to sift through the enormous amount of historical information that we have stored. This needs to be categorised and organised. Let me know if you are keen.

### ATHLETICS ASSEMBLY

The Year 3-6 Athletics Assembly will be held on Friday (tomorrow) morning at 9am in the school hall. This assembly recognises those students who a gained championship placement at our event and a placing at the inter-school one. All parents and whānau are welcome to attend.

### SCHOOL PAINTING

As you may have seen the school is undergoing a massive repaint. To date, our two caretakers have been working tirelessly to get this job done. If you are a qualified painter and you would like some extra hours or weekend work please get in contact. Your support is much appreciated.

**LYTTON STREET SCHOOL**

**BOOK WEEK: WEEK 4**

**SIMON TAYLOR**      **ANNE HUMPHREY**

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**  
**SPECIAL GUEST AUTHORS**  
**BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP**  
**BOOK QUIZ**  
**CAUGHT READING SPOT PRIZES**  
**PARENT INFORMATION EVENING**

**KAYE ARNOTT**      **SUZY CATO**

23/12

Thursday 4th May 2023



## TE AO MĀORI @ LYTTON STREET

**He Whare Pūrākau, He Whare Wānanga, He Whare Kōrero- A house of stories, discussion and sharing voices.**

This week we have explored a range of narratives from Te Ao Māori through the storytelling talents of Pā Ronald. On the hall stage, we have created a space where tamariki are exposed to the myths and legends of Aotearoa, and some of the stories of how our local Manawhenua, Ngāti Kauwhata arrived in our area.

The stories cover the separation of Rangī (The Sky Father) & Papatūānuku (The Earth Mother) through to the great migration from Hawaiki and the landing of the Tainui waka at Kāwhia and then onwards to the heke (migration via land) of Te Rauparaha (the creator of the well known haka, Ka Mate) and his people of Ngāti Raukawa south.

Retelling the narratives provided to us by local kaumātua Papa Anaru Himiona, we have heard how Ngāti Kauwhata settled in the Feilding area and built 3 marae as tūrangawaewae (place of standing) for their people. Iwa tekau mā Iwa was built south of Awahuri and was said to be roughly ninety-nine feet long. Sadly, due to an extreme weather event, this marae is no longer standing. However, Kauwhata Marae (Te Arakura Road) and Aorangi Marae (Aorangi Road) are the two remaining marae today. We have also had requests from ECE centres to come along and hear these stories. These will continue through until next Friday. Ask your tamariki to share some of the stories with you all at home!

**Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi**

**With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.**

## 2023 HELL PIZZA READING CHALLENGE

This term our tamariki will be participating in the Hell Pizza Reading Challenge. Each tamariki will be given a wheel which will be kept at school until completed. We are really encouraging home reading. Please make sure reading logs are being filled in so at the end of the week a section of the wheel can be signed off by the classroom teacher. Tamariki will also be making regular visits to the school library to encourage reading. Once the wheel is completed, it will be sent home so they can claim their free Kids Hell Pizza for their awesome efforts!

## ROOM 20 VISIT COOMBRAE

On Tuesday, we visited Coombrae Home and Retirement Village to support our Inquiry topic for this term Ko Tātou Tēnei. Room 20 have been researching how Feilding and School have changed over time. We interviewed the residents as well as singing them some songs from kapa Haka and sharing our writing with them.

## BOOK WEEK CONTINUED...

**Anne Humphrey Resource Teacher of Literacy Parents Evening** - On Thursday 18th May 5.30pm-6pm (during Book Week), Anne will be hosting a parents evening about the importance of home reading for all in Te Tipu 1/2. She will be talking about home reading books, how to support your tamariki at home with reading, and will also provide time for questions. This is an awesome opportunity so save the date and we hope to see you there!

