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TEACHER ONLY DAY - FRIDAY 2ND JUNE 2023

WELCOME

Well last week was great fun - Book Week, class trips and of course the everyday highlights of classroom and school life. This week is no different as our kids are really enjoying the crisp mornings and the warm afternoons!

CYBER SAFETY EVENING

Te Kāhui Ako ō Kawakawa is presenting an evening for parents to listen to speaker Rob Cope. Rob is an expert on cyber safety and will explain the harms our kids face online and then provide some practical solutions to keep them safe. The evening will be held at North Street School on Wednesday 7th June from 7pm to 9pm. Please be sure to check out the website on the flyer for more information. All those who register and turn up will go into the drawer for a \$100 grocery voucher - sounds awesome! To register please let your child's classroom teacher know.

SCHOOL COLOUR FUN RUN

Our School Fun Run will be held on Thursday 22nd June 2023. All students will

participate in the run, navigating their way through obstacles whilst dodging powdered paint. It is going to be a day full of colour, fun, and laughter. We can't wait! It is great to see a number of students already signed up and fundraising underway. If you are yet to do so, you will find details on how to sign up below. How Does My Child Fundraise? Firstly, go to <u>schoolfunrun.co.nz</u> and create a student profile page. Everything to do with your fundraising revolves around this page. All students who fundraise \$10 or more will be able to select from an awesome bank of prizes. The more money raised, the better the reward - you will find the full range of prizes attached to this post. As soon as your online profile is set up you can begin fundraising by sharing your fundraising

link via email, SMS, or social media! This is an awesome initiative and we look forward to raising as many funds as we can for our kura. Thank you for your support. Let's do this!

PINK SHIRT DAY

Pink Shirt Day was a huge success with 100s of kids coming to school in their wonderful pink attire. A huge thank you to our whānau for supporting this valuable and important cause.

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Our Teacher Only Day is coming up on Friday 2nd June. This day has been scheduled since the start of the year and provides teachers with valuable time to plan and research for the upcoming terms.





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TE AO MÃORI @ LYTTON STREET

Mānawatia ā Matariki- Celebrating Matariki @ LSS With the arrival of June and winter, we have also marked the beginning of Matariki, Te Tau Hou Māori. This is recognised by Māori as the beginning of te Māramataka Māori or the Māori calendar. This is dictated by the seasons, and the 9 stars of the Matariki cluster which each represent an important aspect for us.



What the stars mean:

- Matariki is the star that signifies reflection, hope, our connection to the environment, and the gathering of people. Matariki is also connected to the health and wellbeing of people.
- Waitī is associated with all fresh water bodies and the food sources that are sustained by those waters.
- Waitā is associated with the ocean, and food sources within it.
- Waipuna-ā-rangi is associated with the rain.
- Tupuānuku is the star associated with everything that grows within the soil to be harvested or gathered for food.
- Tupuārangi is associated with everything that grows up in the trees: fruits, berries, and birds.
- Ururangi is the star associated with the winds.
- Pohutukawa is the star associated with those who have passed on.
- Hiwa-i-te-rangi is the star associated with granting our wishes, and realising our aspirations for the coming year.

2022 was the first time Aotearoa celebrated Matariki with a national holiday. This year, there are even more events planned across our region. Keep an eye out on social media platforms, newspapers and other forms of communication for further information. Here at LSS, we will be also celebrating this unique time with a range of activities for both our tamariki, and the school community. More details to follow.

NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS'

The National Young Leaders Days (NYLD) are the largest and longest running leadership event for primary school students.

Each year, some of our Te Raukura student leadership group attends the NYLD event in Palmerston North where they are immersed in motivational talks from great leaders of all ages, backgrounds, and experiences. The guest speakers' main aims are to impart their knowledge and wisdom to the emerging leaders of the younger generation. There are lots of interactive activities, question times, videos, and music to really make things exciting. A big thank you to Whaea Ainsley for taking them along. There will be a report in next week's newsletter.

CLASS TRIPS

Rooms 1, 13, 23, 24, 18 & 6 have had a phenomenal time at the Coach House



Museum this week! Room 13 was the first ever class to see the new Rielly Cottage displaythis early 1900 cottage opened the students eyes to the "olden days"! No seperate bedrooms, no electric and, to their horror, no wifi! The students then learnt how to set the dining table like a child in 1910, before enjoying a hot chocolate to warm them up! Lastly, we hopped down to Kowhai park to practice their orientation skills!! A massive thank you to the amazing parent volunteers who were able to come, you make these events possible! Thank you!



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