# LYTTON STREET SCHOOL

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#### SCHOOL CAMP (MONDAY-WEDNESDAY): ROOMS 23 & 14 & 15

# WELCOME

Well the activities and fun keep flying by. Our kids and whānau are involved in so many exciting things as we lead into the end of the year. Camps are underway, art festivals, running events, our leadership group; Te Raukura in full

swing and not to mention the huge amount of teaching and learning that is taking place - exciting times. Please be sure to keep yourself updated by reading the newsletter carefully.

Our PALS group are also deep into planning for the upcoming Comedy Night. This event is taking place on Saturday 18th November at 7pm. It is a major fundraising event and we would really appreciate your support in making it a successful one. The poster is on the last page and provides details around where tickets can be purchased.

### **TAKU TIKANGA - MY CULTURE**

A huge thank you to our community for their support at the Te Kāhui Ako o Kawakawa Taku Tikanga | My Culture art festival last week. A huge number turned up for the opening. Art works from across the region were on display - all unique but aligned to the theme. Congratulations to Whaea Sarah who led the art exhibition from our school perspective. The festival will be running for the next few weeks and is held in the Feilding Art Centre.

#### **CAMP RAUKAWA**

Camp Raukawa is situated about 45 minutes north of Whanganui amongst a bush and grassland setting. The camp offers our kids a range of cool activities from raft building to camp fire cooking. It has been great seeing the kids involve themselves over the course of the week - challenges and fun has been had a plenty. I wanted

to extend a massive thank you to Mr Dodunski, our staff and the huge number of parents we have had come along to make this possible. More photos and stories will follow on Facebook









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as the camp unfolds.

# **TEACHER ONLY DAY**

A reminder that we have a school Teacher Only Day on Friday 24th November. The school will be officially closed on this day. Please diary this.

# **SPORTS UNIFORMS**

If you child has a sports uniform at home it would be much appreciated if these could be washed and returned as soon as possible. Thank you for your support.



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#### **DIWALI - FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS**

Diwali, the much-loved Indian Festival of Lights came to Feilding for the first time last Saturday. The Festival of Lights showcased all quintessential Indian things diyas, Bollywood music, lights and colours, while bringing in kapa haka, Scottish pipes and drums, and other diverse cultures on the stage.

The event was organised by the Rotary Club of Feilding Ōroua and Bhartiya Samaj Wellington-Manawatū Charitable Trust. Pearl Parmar is thrilled to invite all her friends from Palmerston North to Feilding. In essence Diwali is held to celebrate the triumph of good over evil, light over darkness and wisdom over ignorance. To the right Pearl and Vrinda are dressed ready for the festival.

#### HUNTERVILLE CROSS COUNTRY

Last week we took a group of runners to the Hunterville Interschool Cross Country. They did a brilliant job taking on the heat and the hills up there and achieved some impressive results. Runners who achieved a top 20 result are below.

- Year 4/5 Girls: Brianna H 18th, Bella M 17th, Zara B 12th, Pippa P 2nd
- Year 4/5 Boys: Lachlan G 20th, Arlo Y 16th, Scott K 4th, Rhys K 2nd
- Year 6/7 Boys: Ash H 14th

Congratulations to all our runners who took part. To the right Ella-Grace is just completing her race. A big thank you to Pā Mike and Mr Dodunksi for taking this team.

#### **CLASSING FOR 2024**

Lastly, if you have specific requests for your child's placement in 2024 please email these to our Deputy Principal - jheyward@lss.school.nz Requests via any other method will not be accepted. We also ask that if you need to discuss this placement please come and see us rather than your child's current teacher. Thank you so much for your support and we are all looking forward to another fantastic year at Lytton Street School. No requests will be accepted after Friday 10th November 2024.

#### **TE MANAWANUI KI TE REO 2024**





Te Manawanui ki te Reo is a Kaupapa Māori-based philosophy with a strong focus on integrating te reo Māori me ōna tikanga into an everyday english-medium learning curriculum. Teaching and learning involves a higher percentage of te reo Māori use in classrooms alongside the implementation of tikanga based practices. We have a team of developing speakers of te reo who will offer our students the opportunity to acquire, practice, and build proficiency.

In Te Manawanui ki te reo Māori we have adopted Te Whare Tapawhā model of well being designed by local kaumatua Sir Mason Durie. This ensures that all corners of the learner's whare are supported equally, to allow for growth and development.

The strong whānau environment continues from year to year. As much as we emphasise the reo, tikanga is our foundation and something that we uphold on a daily basis. A letter came out to whānau last week regarding classing for next year in this team. It is really important we get these back in by Friday 10th November. Thank you so much for your support.



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## TE AO MÃORI AT LSS

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#### <u>Ākuanei ka tae mai ā Raumati- Summer will soon be upon us.</u>

Summer, from December to February, is known as raumati. One tradition holds that Te Rā (the sun) and Hine Raumati (the summer

maid) had a child, Tānerore. The saying, 'Te haka a Tanerore' (Tanerore's war dance) refers to the shimmering of hot air during summer. In other traditions, Parearohi, the wife of the star Rehua (Antares), personifies heat-shimmer. When she dances around the margins of the forests, summer is approaching.

#### Summer and Rehua (Antares)

Antares is one of the brightest stars in the night sky. Known to Māori as Rehua, it is closely linked with summer, when it becomes visible. There is a saying, 'Te tātarakihi, te pihareinga; ko ngā manu ēnā o Rēhua' (the locust and the cricket are Rehua's songbirds), because these creatures sing when the heat of summer has arrived.

Kia pai naā wā raumati whānau mā, kia haumaru te noho. Ā, me hoki ora mai, hoki wairua mai ki ā mātou ki te kura. Enjoy your summer and please be safe.

#### THE GREAT LSS CHRISTMAS DROP

Our school would like to once again provide a \$5 gift for each child to be given out in the last week of Term 4. In order to make this happen we need support from the local Feilding community. If you, a local business, or

anyone you know would be able to provide some financial support or sponsorship, this would be much appreciated. Please email me at principal@lyttonstreet.school.nz or ring or text me on 021 525 410 and our office will contact you shortly. Any sponsorship will be acknowledged in our school newsletter and on Facebook.

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# **TE RAUKURA - WILLIAM PIKE AWARD, LEADERSHIP GROUP**

Throughout the year Te Raukura have been working hard towards achieving their William Pike Award. The William Pike Award is a leadership development programme for Year Six students that requires them to complete 5 outdoor education activities, 20 hours of community service and 20 hours towards a passion project over the course of a year. As part of this programme, we have seen our students develop a range of leadership skills such as resilience, confidence, teamwork skills and self-motivation. Te

Raukura have a busy few weeks coming up as we wrap up the last of our community service and outdoor activities.

# TKINS

We will be looking to select a group of Year Six students (current year fives) to take part in this programme for 2024. If this is something that your child



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wishes to be considered for, applications will come out early next year.



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