

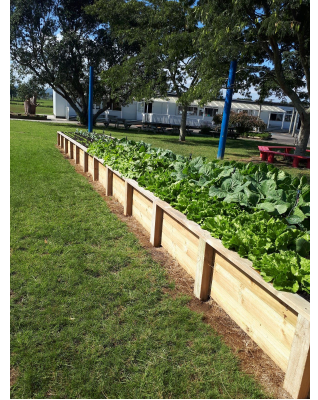


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Newsletter

Term 2, Week 1, 2 May 2018



Dear Parents and Whanau

Welcome back for term 2! This term ends on Friday July 6th.

Gardens

We have had huge growth during the holiday break both in the garden and the glasshouse. We have had a group of **dedicated volunteers** who have looked after our gardens these holidays. They have done an awesome job and we are very grateful. It was a real shame that some inconsiderate person pinched our hose fittings (for the third time!). I can't figure out why someone would go to the trouble of cutting the hose off etc.

You might also notice that we now have a garden shed behind the glasshouse. This was erected by TotalSpan in the holidays and will be a fabulous asset once all completed.

ELECTIVES

Electives will start in week 5 this term to make way for both camps. The cooking groups will continue though.

DARE

The **Drugs/Alcohol Resistance** programme started with the Year 7/8's today with Constable Andy and Constable Dan - the police education officers. They will be in school over the next few weeks working on this programme and they will also have some input into Kia Kaha in yr 5/6.

BOT

Our **BOT** will meet on Wednesday 2 May at 6pm to discuss our **draft 10 year property plan** prior to this being moderated by the MOE. This plan has been prepared for us with the view as to what we need/want to spend within the next 10 years, limited of course by the amount of funding we are entitled to.

PTA

The **PTA** AGM and first meeting for this financial year were held last night. The office holders mostly remain the same with Sharon Griffiths as president; Sally Roden as vice-president; Mandy Clark as secretary and Hannah Turner continuing as treasurer.

There will be a newsletter from the PTA shortly with further information about the committee and the plans for the year ahead.

YR 7/8 CAMP

This is scheduled for next week at **Totara Springs in Matamata**. Great excitement is around here and they will have a wonderful camp I'm sure. It has been a great deal of organisational work for Mrs Andrew and a fun programme is planned. Mrs Andrew and Ms Smith will be the staff attending camp, along with their parent helpers.

SCHOOL LEADERS

Many of you will be aware that the Ryall family moved on to Christchurch. Emily Ryall was our Swamp House Leader. The new leader taking this role is Ashton Tocker.

CITIZENSHIP



We had an incident the other day, where one of our younger pupils inadvertently got off the bus at the wrong stop. It was raining. On seeing the little girl's distress, one of our year 7 students, Calee Dally, walked her from the netball courts to the Town library in the rain, so that she could go to her mother's work. The little girl's parent was extremely appreciative and were very proud of Calee's example of initiative and empathy. Well done, Calee!! This is a great example of our value of

Citizenship!

GUTTERBOARDS

Kayla & Cooper Audain have brought in 4 gutterboards that they have made and donated to the school. These will be introduced to the children as part of the play and lunchtime sports equipment. They will be very popular! Thank you!!



DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Friday 4 July	School Assembly & Farmers Market
Wednesday 9 May	Football skills
07 - 10 May	Year 7/8 Camp
Wednesday 09 May	Football skills
14-18 May	Anti-bullying week
Wednesday 16 May	Football skills
Wednesday 16 May	School council meeting 2pm
Friday 18 May	"Pink shirt" day
Monday 21 May	Yr 7/8 tech
22 - 25 May	Year 5/6 camp
22 - 25 May	Mrs Allen/Mrs Graham Hamilton conference
Thursday 31 May	BOT meeting
Friday 01 June	"Royal Jelly Show" 11am
Monday 04 June	Queen's Birthday holiday
Friday 08 June	School Assembly
Monday 11 June	Year 7/8 tech
Wednesday 13 June	Rippa Rugby skills

