



SOUTH FEATHERSTON
Town and Country School
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NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 2: 12 May 2022

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Please remember to notify the school office of any absences before 9am each

Please remember to **SLOW DOWN to 40kms** between the signs near our school.

Remember you must **SLOW DOWN to 20kms** when passing a stationary school bus!!



Morena whānau, it's certainly getting colder by the day now! Even though we are starting to put the classroom heat pumps on first thing, we still need to ensure we have each classroom adequately ventilated as recommended by the MoH and endorsed by the MoE, so windows and doors are open. You'll need to make sure that your babies have plenty of warm layers on that they can wear in the morning, but then be able to strip off as it warms up over the course of the day.

2022 Booktown and Matariki Festival: As previously mentioned, our three Featherston schools will be the opening act for both the Featherston Booktown and the Matariki Festival openings singing waiata and haka. Check out the Featherston Matariki Festival Facebook page here: [Featherston Matariki Festival 2022](#)

A reminder about our working bee this Sunday: It would be wonderful to see as many of you as possible here on Sunday for just a couple of hours from 12pm – 2pm to help with a good ol' spruce up of our Sensory Garden and surrounding environment. We also need to give the big tree over the outdoor classroom, the box hedges, and edging a bit of a trim. We'll provide a basic bbq lunch for those that come to help – sausage in bread with fried onions, and sauces – but ask that you bring your own drink bottle for water. BYO your own tools would be great, especially if you have a hedge trimmer, a weed trimmer or a post hole borer – we're going to try and plant out a few fruit trees into our growing orchard that have been waiting patiently, along with a couple that are being donated to the school (Thank you to Abhi and Nirmal!)

Parent Conferences: These will take place in Week 7 of this term, Tuesday 3.30-7.30pm and Wednesday 3.30-5.30pm. Due to the disruption of Covid in those last 3 weeks of last term, I've decided that we won't be sending out Learning Progress documents this term, but we will make an opportunity to have our learners' families in for a face-to-face with their child's teacher. The process of making a booking via our SkoolLoop app will be in next week's newsletter. Please see below for how to download the SkoolLoop app if you haven't done so already.

Featherston Cluster Cross Country: The SW Cluster cross country is on **Thursday 2 June** (pp Friday 3 June) out at Kahutara School. All our tamariki will travel out there together by bus. They will need warm clothing, and lots of lunch and water. There will be food to buy out there as well, so if you want to send them with some money, please do so. Parents and whanau are very welcome to come out and watch. While I'm happy for you to take your child home from there before the end of the day, I just ask that you wait until much nearer the end of the races, otherwise there are hardly any of our children left to cheer on those who are still running!

Term 2 Dates to Remember

Y7/8 Technology: Week 1-8, every Wednesday afternoon

School Board Meeting: Thursday 12 May, 6pm, staff room

Featherston Cluster Cross Country: Thurs 2 June, pp: Wed 3 June

Featherston Booktown: 8-12 June

School Board Meeting: Tuesday 14 June, 6pm, staffroom

2022 Matariki Festival: 23-28 June

Last day Term 2: Friday 8 July

2022 School Term Dates

T1: Wed 2 Feb - Thurs 14 April

T2: Mon 2 May - Fri 8 July

T3: Mon 25 July - Fri 30 Sept

T4: Mon 10 Oct - Fri 16 Dec



Team 'Mr Sold!'

Steve Chapman
0276875809

RayWhite

Arrival Time at School

Just a gentle reminder that children shouldn't be arriving at school before

8.15am

unless you have organised that with me (Tana).

While I'm usually here no later than 7.45am, anything could happen which means I haven't arrived - traffic, natural disaster, locusts . . . !

Our SFS Learners' writing: I wanted to restart sharing some of our learners' writing with you all from time to time. This week, I was SO impressed with Haylee's piece of 'Quick Writes' (learners use a picture or photo as motivation) which she brought to my office to share with me. Haylee has said that I can tell you that she hasn't always found writing easy, but her steady improvement over the past 6 months has helped her start to see herself as a writer! I think you will agree that she has created a well written, descriptive and thought-provoking piece – see the next page for Haylee's writing!

Ngā mihi nui
Tana Klaricich

"In a world where you can be anything, be kind . . . "

If you haven't already done so, please download our **Skool Loop** app to your phone so you can keep right up to date with what's happening at school and any important notices or emergency notifications: <https://www.skoolloop.com/>

In the deep dark woods it is freezing cold. I am very scared. I've been here for days now and I still can't find my way out. In the distance through the misty forest I can see light. I'm scared! What should I do? My hands are shaking, my knees are trembling, my teeth are rattling, I can't think. In the distance there's a tall figure. I'm scared, should I run? But what if it's a person who can help me find my way out? It's getting closer and closer! What should I do?

Suddenly it stopped. I can see two more figures popping out of the trees. All three of them are sprinting towards me. I start to run away.

I'm puffed. I can't run anymore. I turn around and all three of them have disappeared. I hear my name being called. It sounds so far away. I feel a warm hand on my shoulder, I hear the voice again. I've heard the voice before and I'm not afraid anymore.

"Katy, Katy, wake up, Katy" said Mum. Suddenly I open my eyes. Oh I'm not in the deep dark woods, it was just a dream. I'm in my bedroom.

By Haylee Lanceley (10 years old)

COMMUNITY NOTICES



KaPai Kids Club

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

FEATHERSTON | CARTERTON

FB: KAPAI KIDS CLUB || E: KAPAIKIDSClub@GMAIL.COM



Right click on the link for Kapai Kids Club update! [Kapai Kids Club](#)

South Featherston Lunch Order

| ITEMS AVAILABLE | PRICE |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Ham & Pineapple Pizza | \$ 3.00 |
| Mince & Cheese Pie | \$ 3.00 |
| Sausage Roll | \$ 2.00 |
| Small Mince Pie | \$ 2.00 |
| Butter Chicken Wrap | \$3.50 |
| Butter Chicken Pie | \$3.00 |
| Bacon and Egg Pie | \$3.00 |
| Vegan Kumara and Cashew Pie | \$3.00 |
| Blueberry Muffin | \$ 1.50 |
| Chocolate Muffin | \$ 1.50 |

Lunch orders are available every day. Please write name and order, with money inside and leave at the school office before 9am.
Children are to line up outside the staffroom at lunchtime to collect their order.