

## Term 4 Senior Room Newsletter

Kia ora whānau

This term the Senior Room has bid a fond farewell to Nazar, who is off to Auckland with his family. On the good news front, we are delighted to welcome Wyllow to our classroom community. Having known us for less than a day, Wyllow decided to join us for camp - which says a great deal about her courage and commitment!

The big event planned for this term was, of course, our senior camp, from which we have just returned. I cannot express enough to you how proud we were of your children at Camp Makahika. Each and every one of them found reserves in themselves that they did not know they possessed. They were outstanding! Keep an eye out for the camp photos and short videos we'll be sharing with you over the next few weeks.

Term 4 promises to be a busy one. A few special events have been planned, such as padder tennis lessons with a visiting instructor, the Life Education Trust bus (our topic this year is "online safety/bullying"), and an end of year outing to farewell our Year 8 students.

Our literacy learning focus for this term is "The art of persuasion", which means we will be writing persuasive texts, advertisements, and speeches. If we don't run out of time, we may even fit in a debate or two!

In our maths sessions, we will be reviewing multiplication and division strategies, and looking closely at transformations, fractions and proportional thinking.

My grateful thanks to all of the families who helped with fundraising for camp this year - we couldn't afford to do these things without your support!

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me at [julies@sfs.school.nz](mailto:julies@sfs.school.nz) should you have any concerns or queries.

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