



NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 4: 3rd November 2023

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

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!!



Term 4 Dates to Remember

Wed 8 Nov: Year 6 Tech Taster Day

Thurs 9 Nov: Middle/Senior Athletics

Tues 14 Nov: SCHOOL PHOTOS DAY

Tues 21 - Thurs 23 Nov: Life Ed here

Teacher Only Day:

Monday 20 November

Fri 24 Nov: Wings Over Wairarapa

Fri 1 Dec: Learning docs home

Mon 4 Dec: Y8 "Moving On"
Conference at Kuranui College

We are gratefully supported by:



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2023 School Term1 Dates

T1: Wed 1 Feb - Thurs 6 April

T2: Wed 26 April - Fri 30 June

T3: Mon 17 July - Fri 22 Sept

T4: Mon 9 Oct - Fri 15 Dec

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Arrival Time at School

Just a gentle reminder that
children should **not** be
arriving at school before

8.15am

What a crazily busy last 10 days we've had here at our school! And it's not set to slow down in the short term, either . . . #hangontoyourhatsfolks

Nau mai haere mai ki to tātou kura: Yesterday (Thursday) we welcomed Harrison (and his mum and dad!) who started in the Junior Room as our last New Entrant for this year – well, we THINK he is, anyway!

New enrolments: At the moment I am fielding SO many calls from families who are hoping to have their children start with us! Next year, it looks like we will be starting the first day of Term 1, 2024 with a roll of at least 69 ākonga, with another three New Entrants by Term 2, and a confirmed enrolment at the start of Term 3 . . . I'm so proud of how wonderfully our wee kura is going, and also totally humbled by the reputation we are gaining out there beyond our school gates as 'the school of choice'. Our commitment is to continue to offer smaller learner numbers in each classroom across the school, and to that end we will continue to have our Little Junior Room (LJR) as the 'Y2 and older Y1' space that Kerri has been operating since the beginning of Term 3. With Kerri moving into the Senior Room next year, I've recently employed a lovely teacher to go into the LJR from the start of 2024. I'm just waiting on finalised paper work before I can introduce them to our school whānau.

The Featherston Community Patrol 'Garden Ramble': Thank you to everyone who baked, or offered their time here last Sunday! It was HUGELY successful, and the Garden Ramble has raised over \$4000 which is going towards the Featherston Community Patrol's new vehicle! Our little café here in our staffroom, along with the plant and worm wee sales that our 6 girls 'manned', has raised just under \$900 for our school which is just amazing! The result was so much better than I'd hoped for!

Middle and Senior Rooms to Featherston Cluster Athletics Day: Next Thursday (with the postponement day of Friday 10th if the weather is yucky!) our Y3-Y8s will be heading to the Featherston Cluster Athletics Day. A more detailed notice, with timings and what to bring, will be coming home to the whānau of those involved next Tuesday. Attached to this newsletter is a copy of our '**Code of Conduct for parents, caregivers, visitors**' and it is expected that EVERY parent who attends will adhere to the Code while enjoying watching their child as they participate in the events . . . It is a **STRICTLY NO DOGS ALLOWED** event, and the organisers have the council dog ranger come along on the day to wander around to make sure that any dogs brought along will be taken home. Please just follow the rules and make the day a good one for everyone, but especially for our children . . .

Year 6 Technology Taster Day: It's hard to believe but the day for our Year 6 learners to experience how Tech runs has rolled around already! Next Wednesday, this year's Y6s will go and spend the day at the Technology unit at Featherston School. A notice will come home directly to the parents of our Year 6s so that all will know clearly what is going to happen on the day.

School Photos Day: This will happen on Tuesday 14 November, and our very own Kylie will be taking them. Kylie is a phenomenal photographer (check out her FB page <https://www.facebook.com/laughingowlphotos>) and we're really looking forward to working with her to get some awesome photos for you! I have this year's 'rural themed' accessory already sorted . . . ! Details about the various photo configurations/costs, along with how to order, will come home to you all on Monday.

Life Ed, Laura and Harold the Giraffe: A reminder that we had to reschedule Harold's visit, and this is taking place on Tues 21 – Thursday 23 November.

Wings Over Wairarapa: We are all heading up to this, by bus, on Friday 24 November.

Ma te wā!
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 receive any important notices or emergency notifications: <https://www.skoolloop.com/> If you need help downloading the app, come in and see Jo or me.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

To support our Featherston Junior Football Club!!



Baloo's kitchen and Wai Wheels Featherston are hosting a

Quiz night

This is a fundraising event with proceeds going towards the Featherston Junior Football Club to provide uniforms for their junior teams.

When: Thursday the 16th of November

Where: Greytown Workingmen's Club

Time: 7pm (food available from 5-6.30)

Price: \$10 per person \$60 per team of 6

Fabulous prizes

Silent auction

Prize for the best dressed team

Food platters available but must be pre booked. Each platter includes

Homemade sausage roll and chutney, buttermilk chicken, savoury pie, club sandwich and lemon shortbread \$15 per person

To secure your table and platter phone Toni on 0273201435