

NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 4: 16th May 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!!





2023 Dates to Remember

Y7/8 Tech Days: Wed May 17, 24, 31

June 7 and 14

Tues 16 May: Board mtg, 6.30pm, in

the staff room

Mon 22 May: First of 8 Middle Room Art sessions at Fareham Creative Space (pottery and drawing)

Tues 23 May: Y7/8s to NYLD Mon 29 May: BSLA info session Fri 26 May: Cluster Cross Country

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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 aentle reminder that children should not be arriving at school before

8.15am

Week 4 already, and half way through May . . . Not quite sure how that has happened! School life continues to be extremely busy and full so I guess that's the answer! Please take the time to read this newsletter and all notices that come home to you over the next few weeks. Our learners are involved in some VERY cool EOTC events in the next wee while, including sporting, cultural and art events, and it would be really sad to have them miss out going to something because you haven't read all the information . . . They can't drive themselves here to be at school on time, that's up to the big people in their lives!

Welcome: Yesterday we welcomed Celena (Y6) into our Senior Room, and her little brother (Denzel) will be joining our Junior Room as a new entrant later this year. Their oma (Marie) and opa (Mike) are well known Featherston community members.

REMINDER: National Young Leaders Day (NYLD): Our Y7/8s travel over to the Te Rauparaha Stadium in Porirua next Tuesday 23 May for this awesome event. Another reminder letter came home to you on Monday. All our Y7/8s need to be here at school no later than 7.40am, or they will not be going.

REMINDER: Cluster Cross Country: A notice came home to you all from me on Monday about this event on Friday 26 May. Please check school bags if you haven't seen it yet! We all travel out to Kahutara School by bus, leaving school at 9.15am. All children will **need to be here no later than 9am** that day please!

SkoolLoop App: If you need help downloading the app, come in and see Jo or me.

Photography Workshop Opportunity: Please see the advert on the last page of this newsletter for an amazing **FREE** online workshop that is available to our tamariki, working with NZ grand master photographers! Given the time of day (Wednesday evenings, 6-8pm) it's probably more suited to our older ones. Our Senior Room students have worked with Mandi Lynn (Clickhappy) twice (2021, 2022) and learned so much about the craft of photography from her. This is well worth a look, parents! To register your child, follow this link: https://clickhappy.org/grand-master-series/

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM MoE & MoE: PLEASE READ: Are you & your whānau protected from measles?

With people travelling overseas again, there's a risk that someone with measles could unknowingly bring the disease back to Aotearoa. Measles spreads easily and quickly, usually between people who are unimmunised or only partially immunised. It can be serious and life threatening. In the 2019 measles outbreak in Aotearoa more than 30% of the people infected had to be admitted to hospital.

The best protection against measles is the free MMR vaccine. It will protect you and your whānau, and prevent the virus from spreading.

You will be protected against measles if you:

- had 2 doses of the MMR vaccine
- had measles before
- were born before 1 Jan 1969.

If you're unsure if you or your tamariki have had any or both doses of the MMR vaccine, check by calling your GP or hauora provider. Alternatively, check your Plunket Well Child Tamariki Ora book. If you're still not sure, be safe and get immunised – there are no safety concerns with having an extra dose. MMR vaccines are free at your local health provider and many pharmacies. As measles still occurs in many countries, if you're travelling overseas these holidays it's especially important to be immunised to prevent the risk of being unknowingly infected and causing an outbreak in Aotearoa on your return. More information about the measles vaccination can be found here: Measles vaccination – Ministry of Health

Pae Tū Mōkai o Tauira Open Day: Make a plan to go out to the see the work that these amazing people do! Sunday 28 May, 10am-2pm, 23 Nth Soldiers settlement Rd

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 any important notices or emergency notifications: https://www.skoolloop.com/

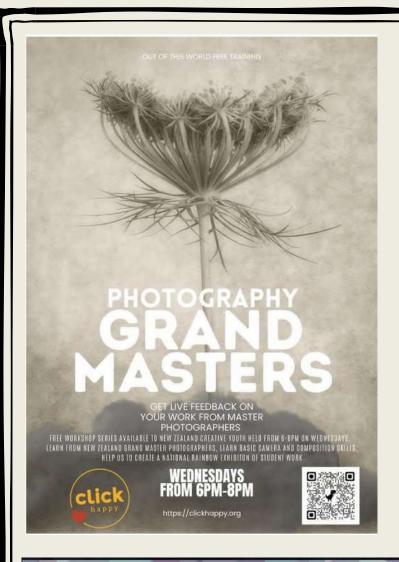
COMMUNITY NOTICES













We need your plastic bottle tops, please!

Please start collecting your plastic bottle tops, like milk containers, juice bottles, fizzy drink bottle lids, and send them into school once you have a nice collection! We're planning a mural made entirely out of these so we need a lot!



PAE TŪ MŌKAI



Nau mai, haere mai, hoki mai koutou katoa ki tō mātou wāhi motuhake

"He Kotare"
Native Plant Nursery

PUBLIC OPEN DAY 28 May 2023

10am - 12pm

23 North Soliders Settlement Road Pae Tū Mökai -Featherston (The Old Featherston Golf Course)

RSVP by 25 May 2023 to pae.tu.mokai.o.tauira@gmail.com Pae Tū Mōkai o Tauira rōpū is having its first public open day at its native tree nursery, and we would love to see you there. Our nursery is named He Kōtare and we support the restoration efforts at Wairarapa Moana, through eco-sourced seed collection, propagation and growing of native trees, harakeke and other plants that are significant or endemic to Wairarapa Moana.

Our first open day marks the next stage of development at *He Kötare*, with substantial numbers of native plants becoming available in the 2023-24 year for restoration efforts.

Who is Pae Tū Mōkai o Tauira Inc.?

We are an incorporated society, standing for the revitalisation and sustained kaitiakitanga of Wairarapa Moana and te taiao (the surrounding natural environment). Another goal is to enable cultural and environmental change through wananga (knowledge sharing) and whakawhanaungatanga (relationship building) in ways that restore and sustain the wairua and mana of our moana.

Our moana is recognised as an internationally significant wetland under the Ramsar Convention. It is the largest wetland in the lower North Island and despite its complexity and uniqueness, the area is threatened. There is an urgent need to restore natural habitats for native flora and fauna.

The Open Day

Meet our nursery managers Michele and Kay, enjoy a körero and tour of our nursery. Light refreshments will be available. There will be plants available to purchase on the day...





