



# NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 13th November 2024

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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!!



**Kia ora te Wenerei e te whanau!** Welcome to Wednesday, families! There are a few requests for help in this week's newsletter so please make sure you read it. We have a lot of things we still need for our Country Fair which is in 10 DAYS TIME!

**South Wairarapa Athletics Day:** I have been totally blown away with the numbers of our ākonga who are going through to the next round of athletics competition! We have 14 athletes who have now qualified for the next round, which takes place next **Monday, 18 November**, up at the **Colin Pugh Sports Bowl in Masterton**. Notices to the parents of those 14 are coming home yesterday. Please fill out the form on the second page of that notice, and get that back to me asap, but **no later than Thursday morning**.



**South Featherston School Country Fair Wheelbarrow Raffle:** Please, please, please keep sending in your donations for the wheelbarrow raffle! It's still not full enough for our main prize! With that in mind . . .

### Term 4 Dates to Remember

**SW Athletics:** Mon 18 Nov 9.20, 2pm – see info to the right

**Working Bee:** Sat 16 Nov, 11-2pm

**SFS Country Fair:**

**Sat 23 Nov, 10-2pm**

**TEACHER ONLY DAY:** Fri 29 Nov

**Final Assembly:** Thurs 19 Dec start time to be confirmed

**Last Day Term 4, 2024:**  
**Thursdav 19 December**

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### 2024 School Term Dates

**T1:** Wed 7 Feb - Fri 12 April

**T2:** Mon 29 April - Fri 5 July

**T3:** Mon 22 July - Fri 27 Sept

**T4:** Mon 14 Oct - Thurs 19 Dec

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### Arrival Time at School

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

**8.15am**

**Raffle tickets:** We really need more tickets sold, please, people! This is our major fundraiser for the year and we really need you to sell that bag of 10 you got last term! Please get them sold and the \$50 back to the office as soon as you can! If you want another 10 tickets to sell, let Jo know and she'll send you another bag.

**Things to remember for the Country Fair:** Please organise to have your home baking dropped off at school on **Friday 22nd** or you can **bring it into school on the Saturday morning of the Fair (23rd)**. Besides the raffle ticket sales, selling food at the Fair is our next biggest money earner, and your baking means we can run a really nice café! Your help with this is, as always, greatly appreciated!

**School Working Bee:** We are having a Working Bee on **Saturday 16 November, possibly postponed to Sunday 17th if the weather is bad, 11am - 2pm**. This will be our last chance to make sure our wee school is looking super sharp for the Country Fair! It would be wonderful if you can come and help! Please let me know via email, text to the school cell, or popping into the office to let me know if you are able to come along that day. We will throw a few snags on the barbie to help with your motivation! Bring tools if you're coming, please!

**White Elephant Stall:** Yes, we are having a White Elephant Stall at our Country Fair! No, we are not accepting old, broken and tatty things that you just want out of your shed and garage! Please see the advert on the third page of this newsletter to let you know what we'd be looking for in terms of donated goods. Contact **Jade 027 320 0216** if you have anything that you'd like to give for the White Elephant stall, and she will assess what you have and let you know where to drop it off. Thank you, everyone!

**This is the first of three final reminder about our Term 4 TEACHER ONLY DAY:** Please make sure you've organised care for your kidlets for our last TOD of this year, which is on **Friday 29 November**.

**Lateness is a real issue here at our school! Please drop your child off BEFORE 9am. If they come in later than the 9am bell, it is disruptive to all the other learners in their class.**

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.

*South Featherston School*

## COUNTRY FAIR

Sat 23 November 2024, 10am – 2pm, Free entry

Marked turn-off on SH 53

**Café . Petting Corner . Cow Poo Plop .**

- Multi Prize Raffle
- White Elephant
- Our own school's Violin & Cello Group Recital
- Digger use competition
- Gumboot Throw
- Horse & Pony Rides
- Plant Stall
- Bouncy castle & possibly a merry-go-round
- Games and side shows, mini competitions
- Santa Claus Visit and Lolly Scramble – 1pm!
- And loads more . . . !
- Sweet Stall
- BBQ Sausages in Bread
- BBQ Steak/Chicken Sandwiches
- Indian Food Stall
- Mexican Chilli Stall
- Stall holders sales
- Face painting



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From: Tuhirangi Netball Club

Good Morning South Wairarapa Schools,

The South Wairarapa Netball clubs are seeking feedback on the 2024 netball season. We would greatly appreciate you posting the following survey link on your school social and school loop communities for families to be able to provide feedback.

I have attached the image to display. In case you have any trouble making the link in the image "clickable", I have included the link separately below for you to use and post as a separate line.

You can use the following wording with your post:

Greytown, Featherston, Martinborough & Tuhirangi Netball Clubs are seeking feedback on the 2024 netball season run on a Saturday at Kuranui College.

Even if your child does not currently play netball or has only played in the Masterton competition this season, we would really appreciate you taking a couple minutes to fill out this survey anyway to help us with the future of Netball in the South Wairarapa.

Many thanks for your assistance, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself or your local netball club committee.

Sara Sutherland  
Tuhirangi Netball Club  
0273130772

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B3XTSNW>

# WE NEED SOME GOOD STUFF FOR THE SCHOOL FAIR'S WHITE ELEPHANT STALL!

...but here's the catch: no junk, pretty please. It's gotta be half-decent items that folk will genuinely want to hand cash over for.

If we have too many items left over, then it will cost us money to dispose of them - which in turn, will wipe out some of our fundraising from the day.

You can drop stuff beforehand at the school but because the school's not flush on excess space, **Jade Holley** has kindly designated her place as a drop off point for your white elephant items as well. To arrange a drop off to Jade, text **0273 200216** beforehand to sort out a time and the address.

**Clothes, books, games, toys, kitchenware** - all in good nick - are fine to drop off. Pretty please: **nothing trashy or broken**. And large items (like bikes, mowers or gym equipment) won't be accepted as everything needs to be transported over to the school on Fair day using a regular-sized car.

**Thanks heaps to you all in advance!!**



A Rare White Elephant

## Examples of Wanted Items

Glossy cookbooks published this century, Those brand new jeans that you thought you'd fit one day when you lost a few kg but it's been ten years now so time to let them go, classy kitchenware like bone-handled butter knives and pristine fondue sets, Billy's mint condition Lego Death Star that he no longer uses cos Billy is now 38 and has left home, any kid-sized official club football shirt, Ming Dynasty Vases, etc.

## Examples of Unwanted Items

Used Undies, Happy Meal Plastic Toys, Broken Tricycles, Textbooks on Windows 95, Those Freaky Fairy Souvenirs, Faded Shirts with Stains down the Front, Playstation One Games, Puzzles with Missing Pieces, Sneakers with Flapping Soles, Copies of the Da Vinci Code by Dan Brown, etc.

# School 'Happenings' . . .

Check out the pics below!

The lovely Danielle helping the Seniors sew things for selling at the Coutry Fair!



Everyone loves a bit of buddy reading!





The Wairarapa Quilters Guild are holding our exhibition in early July next year. As a part of our Matariki theme we are trying to encourage the next generation of quilters so are holding a competition for year 7 to 13 students.

There are two age groups: Intermediate (year 7 & 8) students, and College (year 9-13) students. Any child that either attends school in the Wairarapa/Lower Tararua region or is directly related to a current member of the Wairarapa Guild is eligible to enter.

The competition is to make a small Matariki themed quilt (more details in the attached doc).

First prize for each age group is a brand new sewing machine sponsored by Bernina and Evans' of Masterton. Evans' is also selling batting and backing fabric packs so students don't have to purchase excess of those they don't need.

Attached to this school's newsletter is a copy of the details of the competition and the entry form that my team are taking to all the schools in the district over the next couple of weeks. Please let me or any of the ladies listed on the info form know if there is anything we can do to help.

Best wishes,  
Kelly Warriner-Simpson  
Exhibition Co-convenor