



NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Week 2: 3 August 2022

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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!!



Welcome back for Term 3! My apologies that there was no newsletter last week – it turned into a super busy 5 days, and my office seemed to have grown a revolving door for most of the week! It's pretty scary how quickly the year is passing by. Life continues to be very busy here at school, and we have another big load of activities, events and 'happenings' happening! Please check the box headed 'Term 3 Dates to Remember;' so that you know what is coming up.

Welcome: This term, we welcome Maverick (and his family) into our Junior Room, and he's settled in beautifully. I'm not sure if it's just me but every time we have a new 5 year old join us, I'm always a little taken aback at how teeny tiny they seem! Thankfully, we also welcomed our new cleaner, Kim, who comes to us with many years of experience. Let me tell you, I am terribly grateful that I don't have to clean the loos anymore! At the moment, Kim is definitely our MVP . . . !

Y5-8 Football Tournament: We have been able to make up one combined team of our Year 5–8s to put into next Wednesday's Football Tournament taking place at the Featherston football grounds. A notice with all the details is coming home at the end of this week to the whānau of those children who put their hands up to be in the team. Chris Miller will be team manager for the day.

Term 3 Dates to Remember

First Day Term 3: Mon 25 July

School Board Nominations close:

Wednesday 3 Aug

Board meetings: 6pm, staffroom

Tues 9 Aug, Tues 20 Sept

Teacher Only Day: Fri 12 Aug

Snr Rm Click Happy Workshop: Mon

22 Aug

M'boro Music Festival: Wed 24 Aug

Board voting closes: Wed 7 Sept

Onesie Day: Fri 2 Sept

Life Education: Wed 28 – Fri 30 Sept

Last Day Term 3: Fri 30 Sept

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 17 Oct - Fri 16 Dec



Team 'Mr Sold!'

Steve Chapman
0276875809

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 . . . !

Teacher Only Day Reminder: We have our advertised Teacher Only Day **next Friday**, 12 August so that our teaching staff can continue our ongoing professional learning in 'Digital Fluency'. Normal school Monday 15 August.

2022 Triennial School Board Elections: We will definitely be going to a vote for this year's triennial school board elections. Please see information on the next page.

Welcome back to Mrs Tankersley: Today we had the effervescent Mrs Tankersley relieving in the Middle Room while Ronel had her CRT (Classroom Release Time). We were all VERY excited to see Ronny again – it's been almost 10 months since the last time she has been in with us! In fact, Ronny is the first reliever we have had into our school this whole year. The Middle Room tamariki treated her with respect and kindness, and they had so much fun! This afternoon, they made the most amazing masks. Ronny will be in the Middle Room again next Wednesday, as well as for two more days later in the term when Ronel attends a course.

Mid-Year Learning Progress Documents: These will be coming home to you all at the end of next week. Initially, given the two tough terms we've had, with low student attendance because of the variety of illnesses our learners have been hit with, the school was going to provide an End of Year Learning Achievement document only, along with the two parent conferences. However, in response to a number of requests from parents for a 'paper' document, and given the low number of parent turn-out over the two evenings of conferences, I made the decision that we would also provide a written progress document at this mid-year point as well. As always, if you have any concerns, or if you would like to talk with your child's teacher about anything, please email them and they will gladly schedule a time to meet that suits you both.

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Ag Fair: Please watch out for the 'call to arms' meeting to plan our first Ag Fair since 2019! This should happen in the next couple of weeks. We still need more volunteers so please give some thought to that and come along to the meeting.

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/>



Keep up to date with South Featherston School news and notify of your child's absence via our Skool Loop app!

A free download from your App store or Google Play.

Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

2022 Triennial School Board Elections

Nominations for our school board have now closed. We received a good number from within our community and the next step of the process will be that this will definitely go to a vote.

Once confirmed, the list of candidates and their profiles will be sent out to our eligible voters, who will then receive their voting papers.

Voting for South Featherston School's school board will close at **4pm** on *7th September 2022*.

Signed

Sandra Walters
Returning Officer
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