



SOUTH FEATHERSTON
Town and Country School
"We're a SMALL school doing BIG things!"

NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 4: 23rd February 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!!



Kia ora kōrua! Ke te pehea koe? It's been so nice to see the sun briefly this week, and being able to get our tamariki back into the pool has been lovely! Next week looks pretty good, weather wise, but as you'll see below, we will have two days with no swimming. Please make a note of the days so that you know where your child/ren will be each day.

Paid Union Meeting (PUM): Next Friday afternoon, our teachers are attending their Paid Union Meeting. It would be very helpful if you could pick your child up at 1.30pm. However, I am remaining here (the PUM is for teachers, not principals) and will "herd cats" for the final hour and a half of the day!

NO SWIMMING: Please note we have no swimming today and tomorrow (Friday), and also no swimming next Tuesday (28th Feb, (Featherston Cluster Swimming Sports is on) or next Friday (3 March)

2023 Dates to Remember

Y7/8 Tech Days: Wed 22 Feb, 1, 8, 22, 29 Mar, 5 Apr

Friday 3 Mar: Teachers PUM

Thurs 6 Apr: Last Day of Term 1

Mon 24 Apr: NO SCHOOL – TOD

Tues 25 April: ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY

Wed 26 Apr: First Day Term 2

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2023 School Term1 Dates

T1: Wed 1 Feb - Thurs 6 April

T2: Wed 26 April – Fri 30 July

T3: Mon 17 July – Fri 22 Sept

T4: Mon 9 Oct – Fri 15 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 . . . !

Featherston Cluster Swimming Sports Day: We have 10 children who have qualified to attend next Tuesday's Featherston Cluster Swimming Sports. A HUGE thanks to those parents who have immediately answered the call to come and help on the day. Another notice will come home with your child on Monday, confirming timings, races and equipment requirements.

Teacher Only Day on Monday 24 April: Please make sure you've made a note of this date! School will be closed that day, and we will re-open for the first day of Term 2 on Wednesday 26 April.

Shona is coming to visit again! Next Thursday and Friday, we have Shona with us again. Shona (Learning Architects) is the PLD facilitator that we have been working with for the past two years, building teachers' capacity and capability using digital technologies in the classroom, and supporting learners' growth and agency in this area. Many of you came to our Parents Open Evening last year where your children showed you so much of their learning, so this past year has really added to that knowledge, skills and ability for both big and little learners!

Easter Raffle: Please start to send in your Easter type goods and gifts to the office so that we can get onto selling our school's annual Easter Raffle. This is always one of our biggest fundraisers in a calendar year, and we normally have more than one prize made up of loads of yummy goodies! The more you send in, the more prizes we can make up, so the greater your chances! Raffle tickets for families to sell will come home next week.

'Friends of South Featherston School': We are going to reinstate this group again. We have been without a dedicated fundraising group for a couple of years now, and it puts a lot of pressure on staff to come up with ideas and put those into action. If you are interested in joining this group (which also supports the planning for our Ag Fair/Lamb & Calf Day in October) please contact me (principal@sfs.school.nz) or Jo (office@sfs.school.nz) to register your interest and we will organise a meeting in the very near future.

Senior Room fundraiser for camp: Over the next week or so, our Senior Room learners will start selling chocolates to raise funds for camp later this year.

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/>

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!



Featherston Amateur Wrestling Club Wednesday 1 March

5.30pm-6.15pm Juniors (5 years to 10 years)

6.15pm-7.30pm Seniors (10 years and up)

Come along and have a go.

52 Fitzherbert Street

Featherston

Down the long gravel driveway

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Featherston Amateur Wrestling Club

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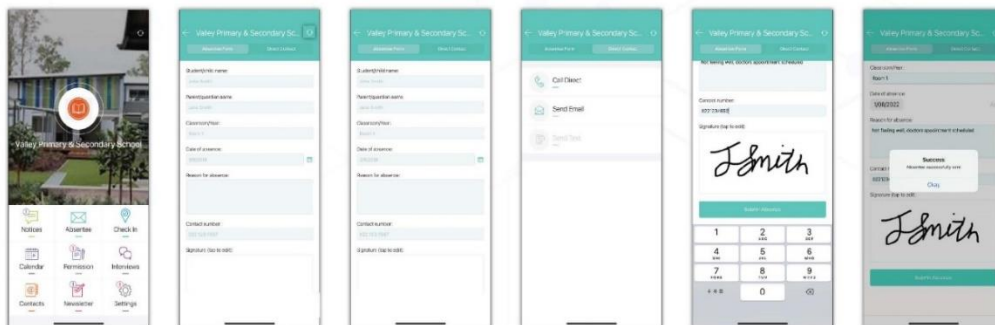
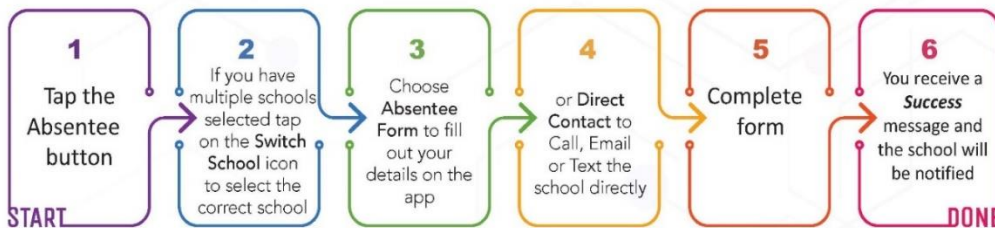


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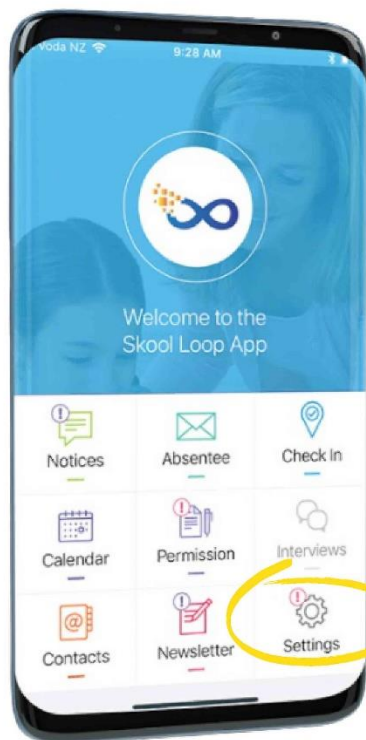
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**PIONEER UNDER 11 & UNDER 13
GIRLS RUGBY**

MEET & GREET & SAUSAGE SIZZLE

02 MARCH 2023

**COME DOWN TO HEAR ABOUT OUR PLANS TO FURTHER OUR
GIRLS GAME HERE AT THE YOUNGER LEVELS CULMINATING IN
ATTENDING THE JUNIOR RUGBY FESTIVAL IN CHRISTCHURCH**

**UNDER 11 - BORN 2012 AND AFTER/ UNDER 13 - BORN 2010
AND AFTER**

WHERE : PIONEER RUGBY CLUB AT 5.45PM