

NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 6: 8 June 2022

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

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 2 Dates to Remember

Y7/8 Technology: Week 1-8, every Wednesday afternoon Featherston Booktown: 8-12 June Assembly: Fri 10 June, 9.15-10am Parent Conferences: Tues 14 and Wed 15 June, from 3.30pm School Board Meeting: Tuesday 21

June, 6pm, staffroom **2022 Matariki Festival:** 23-28 June

Last day Term 2: Friday 8 July

2022 School Term Dates

T1: Wed 2 Feb - Thurs 14 AprilT2: Mon 2 May - Fri 8 JulyT3: Mon 25 July - Fri 30 SeptT4: Mon 10 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 that 7.45am, anything could happen which means I haven't arrived - traffic, natural disaster, locusts . . . !

Kia ora whanau! We have such a lot going on! The school is literally buzzing . . .! On top of loads of exciting things happening for Booktown week, preparation for Matariki Festival, interschool and cultural events, each class is being fitted with acoustic tiles, our old neon and security lights across the whole school are being replaced with efficient LED ones, and our power points are being replaced with ones that will protect our equipment against surges and power cuts. We have classes moving all over the place, in and out of the library, and we are also having to use our staffroom as a learning and music space! Happy days!

Support Staff Week: This week is national Support Staff Week. We know just how incredibly lucky we are to have Jo, Gina and Maxine working with us, and our days would be infinitely more difficult without them! Please be extra specially kind to them in any dealings you might have with them. We are also moving into the time of a three-yearly process where the union negotiates for better pay rates and conditions for our country's thousands of support staff (administrative, learning support, and cleaning) and again asks the government to fully fund them rather than most schools having to find the money themselves, ours included. Look out for ways that you might be able to back them in their claims. The reality is that every child benefits in some way from having Jo, Gina and Maxine on staff.

Featherston Booktown Karukatea Festival 2022: Today we have our first event! Our senior boys headed into town to work with a New Zealand author - "Keeping It Real - Writing Workshop for Boys". Tomorrow, all of our Year 6s are going into the Anzac Hall to take part in the "Speed Date an Author" event, which is always great fun, and then on Friday, the whole school are going in for the "Wood is Good" presentation.

Booktown Vouchers: Today your child will be bringing home three Featherston Booktown book vouchers, total value \$15. This has been made possible by individuals and local businesses donating to the Friends of Featherston Booktown so please support our businesses when you can. Their logos are on the back of each voucher. Children can go shopping for a book(s) of their choice from **Wednesday 8 June** to **Wednesday 15 June** at the bookshops in Featherston, Greytown and Martinborough. They can also be used at all the booksellers in the Anzac Hall during the Featherston Booktown Karukatea Festival over this coming weekend, 11-12 June. Each voucher is individually numbered and they are worth money. The booksellers will have books available for sale which will be priced at either \$5, \$10 or \$15. Change will not be given from the vouchers.

Parent Teacher Conferences next week: There are many parents who still haven't made a booking time for a conference with their child's teacher. These are happening next Tuesday (3.30 – 7.30pm) and Wednesday (3.30 – 5.30pm). This is your best opportunity to have some time with Julie, Ronel and/or Anna and Philippa to discuss how the year is going - despite all the disruption and ongoing illness! Please follow the link to download our Skool Loop app https://www.skoolloop.com/ and to find an available conference time. If you are struggling to make a booking, or can't download the app, please give Jo in the office a call - 063089433 - and she will make one for you.

Pae tū Mokai Featherston Matariki Festival: It is just over two weeks to go before we are in the midst of our next big community event! Follow the link below to go to the Featherston Matariki Festival Facebook page. The festival is constantly being updated and finalised, and there are going to be some great activities and events that you and your whānau can enjoy: Featherston Matariki Festival 2022 Get online and start booking for some of the very cool events and activities that are happening!

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/

South Featherston Lunch Order

ITEMS AVAILABLE	PRICE
Ham & Pineapple Pizza	\$ 3.00
Mince & Cheese Pie	\$ 3.00
Sausage Roll	\$ 2.00
Small Mince Pie	\$ 2.00
Butter Chicken Wrap	\$3.50
Butter Chicken Pie	\$3.00
Bacon and Egg Pie	\$3.00
Vegan Kumara and Cashew Pie	\$3.00
Blueberry Muffin	\$ 1.50
Chocolate Muffin	\$ 1.50

Lunch orders are available every day. Please write name and order, with money inside and leave at the school office before 9am.

Children are to line up outside the staffroom at lunchtime to collect their order.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Right click on the link for Kapai Kids Club update! Kapai Kids Club



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.









