



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

NEWSLETTER

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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!!



Morning everyone, and happy Hump Day! There is one week and one day left of this verrrrrry long term . . . but who's counting? Well, me for one! Over the past fortnight, I've heard many people saying how tired they are, we can see it in our children (although they are still all just soldiering on!) and the much anticipated school holiday break just can't come soon enough for some of us! My worry is that our remaining staff will fall ill just as we head into some greatly needed rest time . . .

On that note . . .

Covid Update: Despite how hard we've worked to keep it at bay, Covid is finally doing its thing in our school. We've had both students and staff testing positive over the past 2 weeks. Please continue to help us by **monitoring your child for any symptoms, keep them at home, and test them if you can.** We have plenty of RAT kits here for your use if you need them. Let me know if you do, and I can send some home with your child, or if you are already isolating, flick a text to the school cell phone, and I'll drop some off into your mailbox. I've put a large version of the Household Contact graphic from last week on the last page of this newsletter in case you want to print it off and have it up on your fridge for a quick reference . . .

Term 1 Dates to Remember

Last Day T1: Thursday 14 April

Mon 25 April: ANZAC Day – Civil Service at the Featherston War Memorial at 9am.

First Day Term 2: Mon 2 May
Wed 4, 11, 18 May: Football Workshops at school
Thurs 12 May: Board meeting 6pm staff room

Supervalue Easter Raffle selling: So far, only one parent has volunteered to help sell Easter Raffle tickets at Supervalu this coming Saturday. Please contact the school before Friday if you can help with this.

Volunteers for Lamb & Calf Day/Ag Fair organising: We've now had four parents put their hands up to help so we are incredibly grateful to them! We really could do with about another 4 or 5 more, though. It's a big job but always a fabulous day! Remember: this is our little school's biggest fundraiser of any calendar year, and we haven't been able to hold it over the past two years due to Covid. The funds raised (along with proceeds from our few annual raffles) go to towards all those extra things like covering the cost of the bus to get into swimming in the first term, paying our Learning Support personnel wages, helping support our musicians with their lessons and instruments, getting learners to special events like Wings Over Wairarapa, the Jazz Festival, Writers Workshops, Booktown events, and National Young Leaders Day. It helps make it possible for me to cover everything but your child's school uniforms, and even then all the good second hand uniforms are given away to whomever needs them. Please consider how you might be able to help during the lead up to Lamb & Calf Day/Ag Fair, and believe me, you will be put to good use!

Football Workshops: As we do every year, we have some facilitators coming in for the first three Wednesdays of next term to do football workshops with each class. This year we have the Wairarapa United and Greytown Junior Football crew coming in to work with our school.

2022 ANZAC Day services: As mentioned previously, this falls on the middle weekend of the holidays this year. We usually have a really good number of our families coming along to the Civil Ceremony and it would be great to see that again. One of our older students represents us all by reading "On Flanders Field" and we lay a wreath. This year, there will also be a Dawn Service at the cemetery, something that I think everyone should experience at least once – I've lost count of how many I've been to since my first one as an 8 year old alongside my ex-infantry dad! In the office, we have an RSA Poppy donation box and if you send along a little change, your child can put their money in and have a poppy to wear – June got her one today, and she wore it with pride!



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/>

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

RayWhite

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 . . . !

Classes start at 9am!

COMMUNITY NOTICES



KaPai Kids Club
OUT OF SCHOOL CARE
FEATHERSTON | CARTERTON
FB: KAPAI KIDS CLUB || E: KAPAIKIDSClub@GMAIL.COM

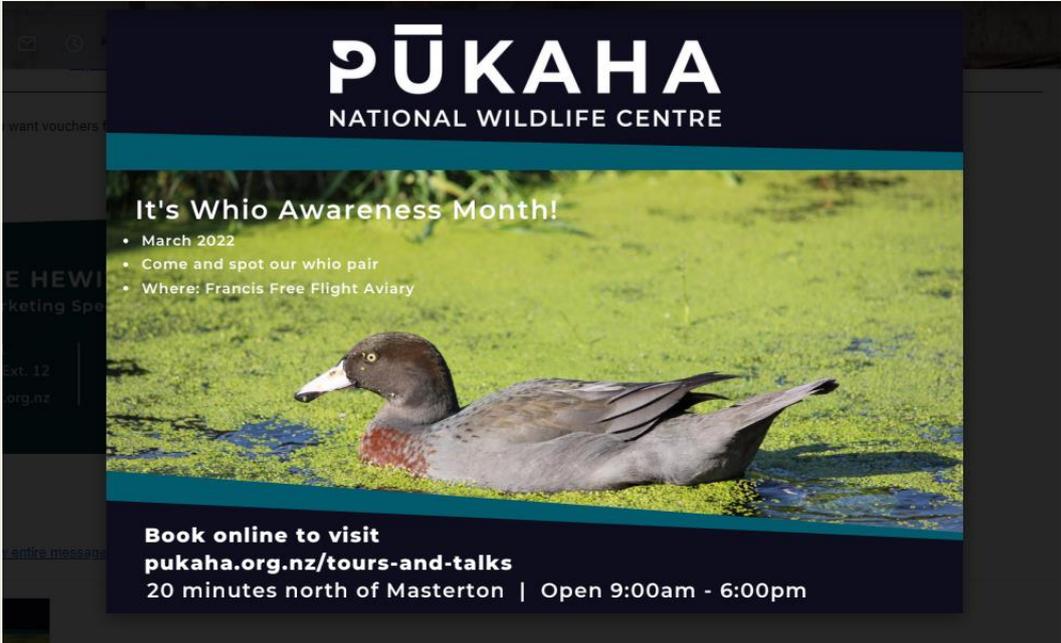


Right click on the link for Kapai Kids Club update! [Kapai Kids Club](#)

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.



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NATIONAL WILDLIFE CENTRE

It's Whio Awareness Month!

- March 2022
- Come and spot our whio pair
- Where: Francis Free Flight Aviary



Book online to visit
pukaha.org.nz/tours-and-talks
20 minutes north of Masterton | Open 9:00am - 6:00pm

Household Contacts what you need to do



Do you live with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19?
Visit [Covid19.govt.nz/household](https://www.covid19.govt.nz/household) and follow these steps:

Stay home* and isolate for 7 days from the day the person with COVID-19 tests positive (Day 0). Try to avoid contact with them if you can.

Take a test on Day 3 and Day 7 (or sooner if you develop symptoms).

Tested negative? You still need to finish your 7 days of self-isolation.

Did someone else in your house test positive? You don't need to restart your 7 days (unless you test positive).

You can complete your self-isolation at the same time as the first person in your house who had COVID-19 if your Day 7 test is negative, and you have no new or worsening symptoms. Tino pai!

Tested positive? You will need to start a new 7 days. Please follow the guidance on our website.

[Covid19.govt.nz/positive](https://www.covid19.govt.nz/positive)

* Some people who are Household Contacts and critical workers may be able to still go to work through the Close Contact Exemption Scheme. See our website for more information.

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