

NEWSLETTER

No. 18 Term 2, Week 10
Thursday 8th July 2021



Principal's Note

Dear Parents and Caregivers - Kia ora everyone,

We have made it to the end of a very busy, tiring, and sometimes freezing term! Thank you to all of our wonderful children who continue to be engaged, supportive and all-round awesome over such a long term.

Since our last newsletter, we have of course held our annual SBS School Concert. We absolutely loved sharing our performances with you. Thank you to all of our families who came along, sang and cheered, and helped us to celebrate The Arts on stage

Also, since our last newsletter, you should have received an email with a link to your child's online learning portfolio. We really hope that you enjoyed going through this with your child. If you did not receive the email, or need some help, please get in touch ASAP and we can help you out.

There is a little excitement with our Tāne Mahuta rugby players. Tomorrow we have been selected to take part in a mini rippa rugby tournament coached and refereed by the All Blacks. We are very appreciative to ORFU for giving this opportunity to ten of our senior rugby players.

Next term, as some of you will know, we will be seeing a little shuffling of staff. Mrs Jo Barr will be taking eighteen months leave to pursue a facilitators role with CORE Education, a professional development company. We are very excited for Jo and wish her all of the best for this new adventure. We look forward to still having you involved in the school and having you back again soon! Mrs Brewer will be moving in to Hine-Rau-Whārangi to take care of our HRW Children for the remainder of the year, Miss Tenci will be teaching full time in Tāne Mahuta, and Mr. Fisher will be covering Wednesdays in Tāwhirimātea. Thank you all for your patience as we juggle and ensure we have the best possible learning arrangements for our children.

Last Weeks Rebus puzzle solution: 'Trail mix'

Ngā mihi nui,

Gareth Swete

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Person of the Week



Congratulations Harri, Finn, Kye, Bryn, Isaac R and Alice who were nominated for Person of the Week. The trophy for Week 8 went home with Isaac R.



Congratulations Jack C, Cooper, Liam R, Blake, Liam P & Alex who were nominated for Person of the Week. The trophy for Week 9 went home with Blake

Important Dates

Board of Trustees Mtg Tuesday 10th August

Classroom Notes

Papatūānuku

Kia ora! Last week we welcomed Isaac Seaton to our class! I want to acknowledge how proud I was to see everyone in Papatūānuku on the stage in the school show Thursday night. They all danced with such confidence and enthusiasm which was an absolute delight to watch and made me burst with pride. A huge thanks to all of the whanau for putting together such delightful costumes. Our class looked amazing.

Last Friday we enjoyed a SBS Starters session with our upcoming New Entrants. We introduced them to our phonics character Milo the Monkey and made some monkeys to remind us of the sound 'M' and 'm' make. This week we have been reading stories about Matariki. There are quite a few stories and legends teaching us about how the star cluster formed in the sky and what Matariki means to people. One story we read is called "The Seven Kites of Matariki" which prompted us to make our own kites just like the people in the story did. We put a lot of thought into the design and shape ensuring our kites are symmetrical. We also learned to weave! Here are some pictures of the process of how we made them. In our desire not to waste the painted pieces we cut off from our kite shapes, we used one of our SBS school values to create a piece of artwork together. We traced around shapes, used our scissor skills to cut them out then collaborated to create a large picture using all of the shapes we had painted. Today we are going to write about what we see in that piece of art. If you would like to see finished products, come along to assembly tomorrow! I hope everyone has a fun and restful holiday. Thanks for a fantastic term, Papatūānuku!



Report by Mrs Campbell

Hine-Rau-Whārangī

I'm sure you were so proud of the kids last Thursday with their performance at our show. I was impressed with the way they got stuck into their singing and dancing, even though they had butterflies fluttering in their tummies! This is my last newsletter note for HRW as tomorrow is my last day of teaching at Sawyers Bay. I have taken 18 months leave and I'll be embarking on an exciting chapter in working for CORE Education, a professional learning organisation, as a facilitator in schools across Otago and Southland. I began teaching at Sawyers Bay in 2001 and our school community has been a huge part of my life. The children I teach each year add to my extended family, and I have thoroughly enjoyed working alongside families so the children can be the best version of themselves. I hope you all have a restful holiday break and that it snows! E noho rā.

Report by Mrs Barr

Tāwhirimātea

How fantastic were Tāwhirimātea in their concert item?! I was so proud of each and every one of their efforts- it is not easy performing in front of such a large audience but they all did so well.

Fairy tales, multiplication, plays, emotional literacy and lego club, these are just a few of the things we have been busy doing this week despite a large number of nasty bugs keeping many children home. Even though we are in the final week of term 2, the children are still working hard in their learning. We are busy writing and publishing our own fairy tales as well as a shared class story, we are learning what the term multiplication means and how we can solve simple multiplication problems. We have also been learning to identify and manage emotional responses. This is really helping us to see our feelings in a new way and to take control of them and use them to help our learning. While I'm talking about emotions, this week was Mrs Brewers last Wednesday in Tāwhirimātea. We are really going to miss her and all her fantastic learning experiences, but we are very lucky that she will now be in school every day with Hine-Rau-Whārangī so we will still see her a lot. As of next term, Mr Fisher will be taking Wednesdays in Tāwhirimātea. I know there is already a lot of excitement around his return to school and we are very lucky to have such an experienced teacher join our class. I hope all the children have a well-deserved rest over the holidays, stay safe and warm. I look forward to hearing what you have all been up to in a few week's time.

Report by Mrs Swete

Ranginui

Kia Ora, Ranginui children have been busy presenting their passion projects, and they all have been amazing. Presentations have included videos, movies, demonstrations, models, posters, step by step instructions and books. I am so proud of their efforts and their enthusiasm to share their journeys with us. Each child has spoken so confidently. I'd like to acknowledge the children's helpers too, as the support from home and the feedback we have received has made this project a huge success for everyone. It has proven KIDS CAN DO ANYTHING!! Well done everyone in Ranginui. This has been a lovely way to end our term 2. Have a great break with family and I look forward to seeing you all next term.

Report by Ms Ruzsa

Hinemoana

And, just like that, it is the last week of Term 2! The children have had a busy but wonderful term and have done some great learning. We are finishing up our information reports, formatting these on Google Docs and have created our own title pages for them. These will be up in our class to read by the end of the week if you would like to come and have a look. We are continuing on with our measurement and have been learning all about perimeter and area. We are becoming experts on what these terms mean and how to calculate them correctly. Our School Concert was a HUGE success last Thursday night and I was extremely proud of the children and their 'Animal Attic' performance. Thank you to all of the families who helped with our costumes and came to support our children on the night. Enjoy your school holidays and see you in Term 3!

Report by Miss Laing

Tāne Mahuta

Kia ora parents and families! It has been a busy final week in Tāne Mahuta. We have been trying hard to complete Matariki circle art before the end of the term to wrap up some of our learning about Matariki. This art is representing the meaning behind each of the different stars that make up Matariki, the students' chose how they would like to depict and represent the different stars and their meanings in each of the different sections of the template.



These will be displayed and ready to see at the beginning of next term! Please feel free to pop in and have a look. In the meantime, here are a couple of our works in progress...

Report by Miss Tenci

Sport News

Miniball	Team	vs	Score	POD
Thurs 24th June				
Year 1-2	SBS Stars	Abbots Magic	16-6 (W)	Cooper
Year 3-4	SBS Comets	Girls Got game	15-33 (L)	Beth
Netball				
Tues 29th June				
Year 5-6	Combined	Mac Bay Korimako	7-3 (W)	St Len
Miniball				
Thurs 1st July				
Year 1-2	SBS Stars	BVA Bouncers	Default	
Year 3-4	SBS Comets	Bye		
Netball				
Tues 6th June				
Year 5-6	Combined	GSNS Kikorangi	18-3 (W)	St Len

School & Community

Girl Guides Port Chalmers

"GirlGuiding NZ is looking for fun, energetic leaders in Port Chalmers that will provide positive support to girls aged 5 – 17 years old while delivering exciting programmes once a week. Group meetings run for up to 2 hours once a week during school terms. We have developed an amazing programme that uses fun, adventure and friendship to build girls' confidence and life skills to help grow the next generation of female leaders. All support and training is provided. You just need to bring a drive and a passion to empower girls, if this sounds like you, find out more information here <https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/volunteers/>. Alternatively, you can email Emily on emily.de.rooy@ggnz.org.nz

Port Chalmers Library

About the Heart - New Zealand International Science Festival. Learn how your heart works and why it sometimes beats slow and other times feels like it is going to burst out of your chest! Did you know it can still beat outside your body? Suitable for Kids and Tweens (4-11 years) and their parents. 12pm, Wednesday 14th July. Booking is required, but the event is free to attend. Phone 472 7583 for more information or book through scifest.org.nz