



South Mākirikiri School

Term 2 Week 1 2023

Kia ora Parents and Whanau

Thank you all for having students at home on Monday so our staff could engage in the New Zealand Curriculum refresh. This is a significant document for our kura to engage with.

Te Mātaiaho, which means “to observe and examine the strands of learning” will be in place during term 3 2023. As a staff, we have unpacked what will impact on teaching and learning. Some key points for you as parents is that this curriculum will have

- a Vision for Young People – written by young people for young people
- a purpose statement to ensure equity and inclusion for all ākonga.

Mātauranga Māori will sit at the heart of the learning areas, with key competencies, literacy, and numeracy explicitly woven into each learning area.

Over the next two terms, you will have more opportunities to come and see how teachers will be providing students with learning. We will be providing more information on our Structured Literacy approaches and working with you on how together we can assist all learners to achieve. We will also be providing opportunities to see student progress through the use of HERO. Students and teachers will be adding to their portfolio of learning for you to see progress in a range of areas. This will form part of our reporting and, in time, this will be ongoing throughout each term and not the traditional Mid and End of Year report.

As part of our day, we had the expertise of Kate Nitschke share with our team effective ways to manage well being. While we are working with

our tamariki on mindfulness it is important that as a staff, we too can model this to our tamariki. We are constantly working on how we manage our well being which in turn has an impact on the tamariki.

ANZAC Memorial Assembly: This Friday at

12:00pm, we will hold an ANZAC service lead by our senior students. This will fit in with the start of our Jubilee Celebrations

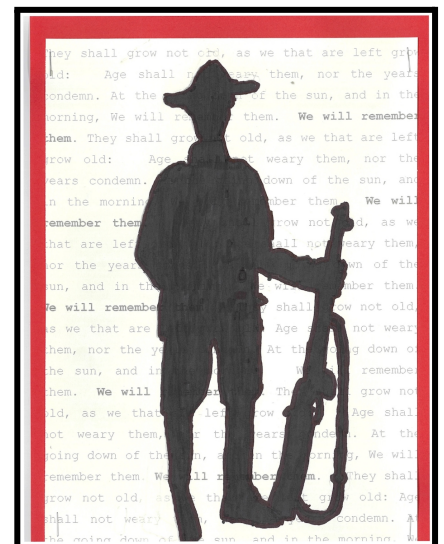
where school will be open for former students and whanau to visit classes and look around

the surrounding grounds to reminisce their time at South Mākirikiri School.

Winter sports will be coming upon us very quickly. It is great to have so many parents supporting each of our teams. Without parents being coaches and managers, our students would not have the sports to participate in. Notices of trainings and games will be going out as we have them available. We will be using the HERO app for sending direct information to each team in the coming days.

Nga mihi
Greg Allan, Principal

Above: ANZAC art by Patrick Judd (Room 5)



JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The 150th Jubilee is this Saturday 29 April. All tamariki are expected to be at school to participate in this celebration from 11:00am to 4:00pm. Our students will have an active part in the day; giving tours of the school, performing waiata, helping to plant the jubilee tree, bury the time capsule and there will be a photographer coming to take decade photos, including our current school students.

A barbecue lunch will be provided from 11:00am and there will be afternoon tea at 3:00pm so the children don't need to bring anything with them. There is no cost for our tamariki to attend and any parents who would like to support their child or help on the day are welcome, too.

Students can wear tidy mufti for the celebration.

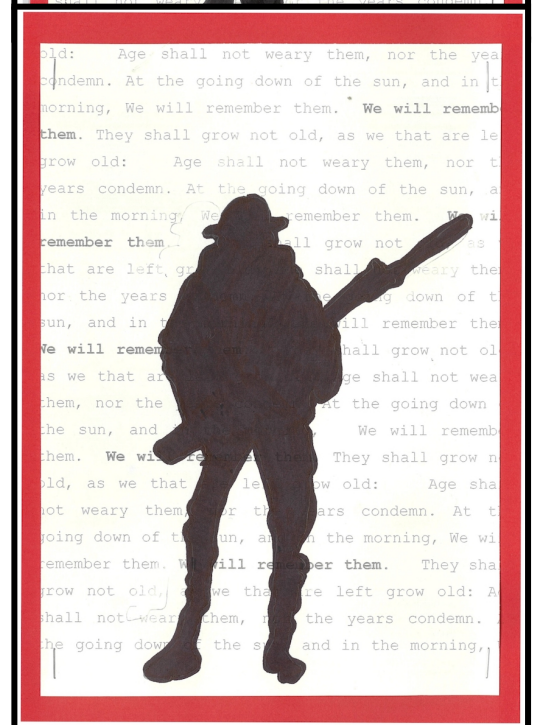
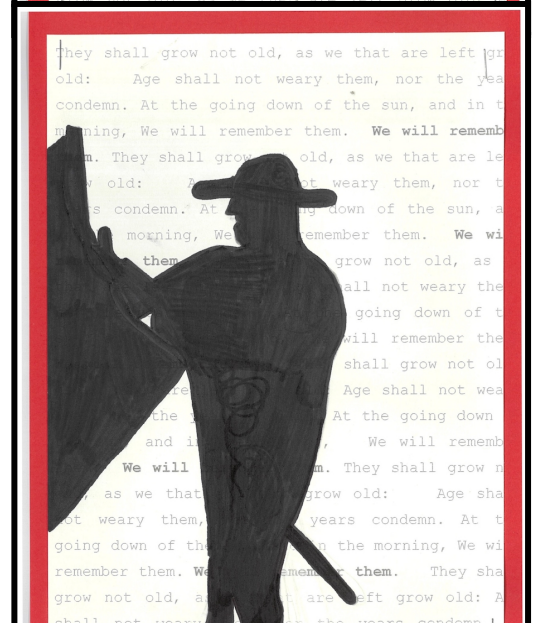
Stone Cairn: We are inviting families attending to contribute toward the building of a small stone cairn to commemorate the gathering of 2023.

What is a cairn? The word originates from the Scottish Gaelic: càrn. Cairns are a mound of rough stones built as a memorial or landmark, typically on a hill top or skyline. These man-made structures have been and are used for a broad variety of purposes, from prehistoric times to the present. Each rock can signify an intention of grace for thankfulness.

The invitation is for each family to 'supply' as in 'bring along' a stone to make up the small cairn. Please follow the recommended dimensions of a maximum 30cm length by 15cm wide by 15cm high. Make your family stone identifiable by writing your family name on a strip of masking tape attached to your stone. We will have a tarpaulin laid out at the Jubilee where you can leave your stone.



Right: ANZAC art by Room 5 students. From top - Oscar Auret, Charlie Walsh, Alexia Fogden.



SCHOOL NOTICES

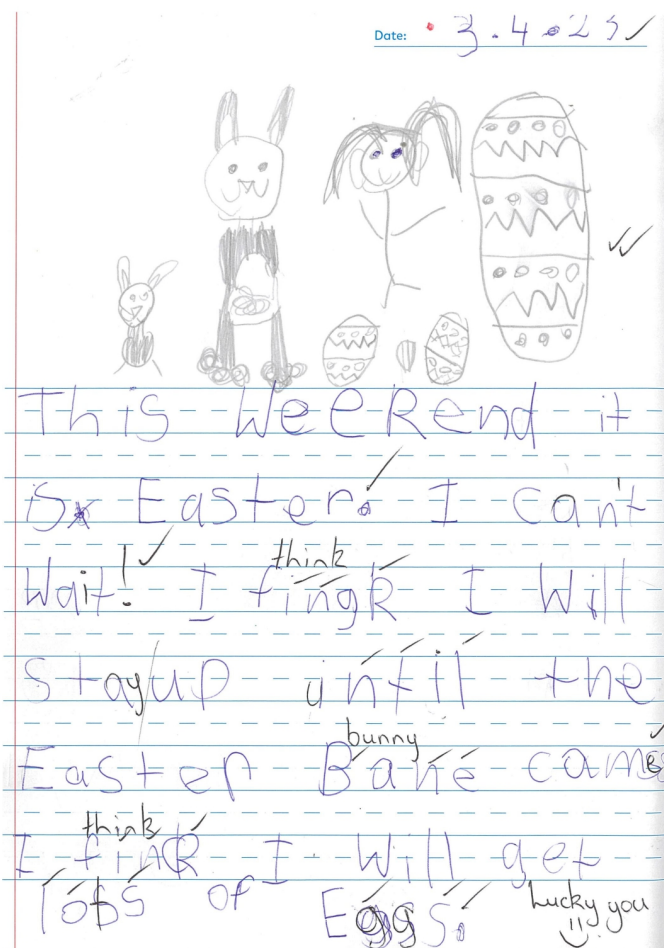
Lucky Book Club - Issue 3: Catalogues for Issue 3 have been sent home with children. Please place your order online at scholastic.co.nz/LOOP or download the LOOP app. Orders close at 9:30am on Friday 12 May, and every order earns FREE books and learning resources for our school.

WDHB Dental Rover Van: The van will be continue dental care for the first two weeks of term 2. If your child/ren weren't seen last term, you will be contacted in term 2.

Jubilee Survey: Thank you to everyone who has already responded to the survey that was sent out on 25 April requesting confirmation of whether your child/ren will be attending the Jubilee celebrations this Saturday. We need you to complete this survey for catering purposes.

Brainfood: Brainfood needs to be a healthy snack. Recommended items are fruit or vegetables, dry crackers, plain popcorn, cheese, etc. Feel free to check with your child's teacher if you have any queries, and please remember that some students may have peanut allergies.

Below: An Easter story by Ginny Rayner (Room 3)



Below: Sunflower by Millie Greer (Room 1)



TERM EVENTS

Wednesday 26 April.....First day of Term 2 2023
Friday 28 April.....Jubilee events begin
Saturday 29 April.....Jubilee events continue
Thursday 4 May.....Learning celebration at 2pm
Tuesday 9 May.....Rms 1, 5 and 6 trip to Te Manawa
Thursday 18 May.....Learning celebration at 2pm
Thursday 18 May.....Junior school's literacy evening
Thursday 1 June.....Learning celebration at 2pm
Monday 5 June.....Kings birthday (no school today)
Tuesday 13 June.....School photos
Thursday 15 June.....Learning celebration at 2pm
Thursday 29 June.....Learning celebration at 2pm
Friday 30 June.....Last day of Term 2 2023

Please [click here](#) for our school calendar (this can also be accessed from our HERO app).

K.O.B 2023 (for kids aged 8 to 12 years) - 4:30pm to 6:00pm, St Andrews Hall

Kids on Broadway is back for term 2! Join them for music, food, games and korero on 27 April, 4 May, 11 May, 18 May, 25 May, 1 June, 8 June, 15 June, 22 June and 29 June. More information, please phone Faith on 020 4171 1119.

SALT YOUTH (ages 13+): Wednesdays, 6:00pm to 9:00pm, St Andrews Hall

Join us for games, kai, music and more on 10 May, 17 May, 24 May, 31 May, 7 June, 14 June, 21 June and 28 June. Please bring your own food for a shared meal. More information, please phone Faith on 020 4171 1119.