

South Mākirikiri School

Term 2 Week 9 2023

Tēnā koutou katoa

Last week we had an amazing day with Room 3 and 6 working together on the tree planting project at Bonny Glen Landfill. This has been an opportunity for the senior students to work alongside the juniors collaborating in our local environment. It was brilliant seeing the Room 6 students nurturing the Room 3 students when planting natives trees. This group planted 650 trees in 3 hours together. The comments from the supervisors at the planting was so complimentary on the way the students stuck to the task and worked together in such a positive way. The teachers involved loved seeing the interaction between the classes and are looking forward to the next opportunity to collaborate. There is a group out today planting - hopefully the weather will hold long enough for another group of classes to get out to do a planting session.

We really encourage families to name polar fleeces more than just on the tags. We have a variety of fleeces left around the playground without any names in them. This is very hard for us to try and return items to the students. We have also reminded students about managing themselves and their property by picking up uniforms when they take them off and putting them in bags. I would ask that you please check all uniforms and if you have managed to pick up the wrong uniform top, can you return it to the person it belongs to.

Next week you will be receiving a notification of mid year milestone achievements via HERO. This is our first time doing reporting this way and our team has been working hard at getting these ready for you to view. This is a new format and we are hoping it runs smoothly; please get in touch if you have not received any notification by Friday next week. There will be an opportunity very early next term to have discussions with teachers about these milestones and setting goals for the future.

On Friday, 21 July the Rangitikei schools will be having a cultural festival at the Marton Town Hall. South Mākirikiri School will be participating with a range of waiata and instrumental items. As a whole school, we have continued to increase our repertoire of songs and waiata, with teachers leading and Zettie taking sessions. We will be on stage in the afternoon between 1:30 to 2:30pm. Parents are welcome to come along but space may be limited. As part of our ART showcase we will have an opportunity for this performance to be open for the community as well later in term 3.

Last week we recieved Matua Teejay's resignation from his position at South Makirikiri School as he has decided to return to Ross Intermediate. Matua Teejay has contributed to the leading of sport, curriculum and taken an active role in advancing cultural perspectives to the school. We have enjoyed seeing his leadership growth in how schools operate and has begun the journey of balancing the demands of teaching and school management. He will be with us through to the end of week 4 next term and we will sorting the classroom teacher in the space for the rest of the year. We wish him well on his future journey in education.

Agrikids - Fundraising Mufti-day/Sausage sizzle Friday 23rd June: Lucy, Millie and Ella have organised a mufti day and a sausage sizzle to support them heading to the AgriKids National Finals in Timaru in the next school holidays. The girls have been working hard each week on increasing their knowledge in a range of areas, and they will be heading to some sessions at City Honda and WaterForce for some practical training. Some experts will be coming to school to share some more knowledge with them. The South Mak Heifers (as they are known) have sent out order forms for you to complete and return with payment by Thursday (tomorrow). The girls have set a theme for the mufti day being RURAL with cowgirls and cowboys (please, no guns).

Pet day: Our 2023 pet day will be on Thursday 21 September with the postponement day on Friday 22 September if required. This is to fit with whanau not having to continue feeding lambs and calves throught he holiday break. Entry forms will be coming out in week 1 next term. We look forward to having lambs, calves, dogs, cats, chickens, worms or whatever animals our tamariki care for. There will be leading and handling awards for lambs, calves and dogs, with care and attention awards for other animals as the day goes along. This is a fun day where our tamariki get to show how they look after their pets.

Greg Allan, Principal

SOUTH MAKIRIKIRI SCHOOL MATARIKI CELEBRATIONS - Postponed! Friday 4th August

Due to unforeseen circumstances, our Matariki celebration has been postponed due to our cultural liaison and hangi support crew having a late change to their work situation. Friday the 4th of August has been locked in for the event.

We will still be gathering vegetables and supplies to include in the hangi but will provide more details closer to the time. We appreciate those who already brought along some products.

Nga mihi

TeeJay Campbell, Deputy Principal and Rm1 Teacher

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Te Ara Huarau is the evaluation approach that the Education Review Office (ERO) is using in our school. This a developmental approach to evaluation where ERO and our school work together over time rather than one off reviews that happened previously. Te Ara Huarau is used in most English-medium state and state-integrated schools.

ERO maintains a regular review programme to evaluate and report on the education and care of young people in the schools. Our school worked alongside ERO to write our Profile Report. This type of report will only happen once as part of our initial engagement with Te Ara Huarau. The profile report reflects our strategic goals and a shared evaluation focus one or more areas that are important to us as we work together to improve outcomes for all our learners. ERO, like us, have a strong focus on equity and excellence. Future reporting will show our progress and achievement towards meeting the goals we have set. Public reports like the Profile Report are published on ERO's website. A Board Assurance Report that shows how we are meeting regulatory and legislative Requirements has also been published.

Libby Rayner, Presiding Member.

SCHOOL NOTICES

150th Jubilee Book: Kylie Knox has done a magnificent job compiling a hard cover book with photos from our 150th Jubilee celebrations. Please let us know if you would like a copy and, once we have an idea of the number of books we need to order, we can let you know how much the cost would be (around \$55 as an estimate at this stage). There is a book in the school office which you can have a look through and, if you are interested, please fill in the form which will be available with the book. A digital form will be sent through Hero tomorrow.



Above: Basketball on Monday. Our team was well matched against St Matthew's who managed to get on top of the scoreboard for an 11-7 win against us. It is awesome to see how much our players have improved and their confidence on court has grown in five short weeks! Our team members are Lebronn Wirihana-Smith, Parker Nairne (who netted a stunning 3 pointer last night!), Ryder Jones, Sam Managh, Sophie Middleton, Indy Jones, Patrick Judd and three Hunterville School students: Fred, Otto and Kahlyn



Interschool cross country: Massey University hosted an interschool cross country for Year 5, 6, 7 and 8 students on 7 June 2023. A huge "well done" to all our students who participated – Labronn Wirihana-Smith, Parker Nairne, Ryder Jones, Dyllan Nairne, Alecia Fogden, Lauren Taylor-Yeates, Ashwin Bason, Max O'Neill, Mitchell Thoms and Hamish Knox.

Congratulations to Leah Maas who placed 3rd in the Year 6 Girls competition, Indy Jones placed 11th in the Year 5 Girls, and Millie Greer placed 14th in the Year 8 Girls.



Above: Our interschool cross country competitors.

Student details form: We would appreciate it if you could complete the Student Details form which will be sent out via Hero tomorrow. This is to ensure that we have the most up-to-date information for your child/ren in case of emergency, etc. You can also access the form via the QR code below.



Fundraiser for Georgia: Hi, I'm Sam and I work as a teacher aide at South Mak School. My daughter, Georgia, has been selected to compete in the Track Cycling World Camps in Cali, Columbia in August. This is a self-funded trip so we are fundraising to help with costs. Please see next page for details.

Holiday programmes: Click on the links below to view some school holiday options:

Whanganui Boys and Girls Gym - lots of activities $\underline{\operatorname{here}}$

Splash Centre - options here

Riverland Family Park - trampolines and more <u>here</u> Feilding Library - school holiday fun <u>here</u> Rangitikei Active Gym - awesome opportunity <u>here</u> Wildlife Foxton Trust - education by example <u>here</u>

TERM EVENTS

Friday 23 June...AgriKids mufti day and sausage sizzle Tuesday 27th JuneRippa Rugby Yr 5-8 Wednesday 28 June....Rms 1 & 2 Bonny Glen planting Thursday 29 June.....Learning celebration at 2pm

Please <u>click here</u> for our school calendar (this can also be accessed from our HERO app).

Agri kids Mufti day and fundraiser

Friday 23rd June 2023





There will be a sausage sizzle which will be \$2



There is a theme for our mufti day. You will be able to come dressed in farm clothes or any thing to do with farming. If you are in farm clothes, you have to bring a gold coin donation with you. Cowboys and cowgirls welcome.

Below: Georgia's fundraisers



Proceeds to Georgia Simpson to attend Junior World Track Cycling Championships – Cali, Columbia

