



South Mākirikiri School

Term 3 Week 7 2023

Tēnā koutou katoa

What a difference some fine weather makes! It amazes me how many events we have crammed into this term and the exposure to a range of learning is amazing for our tamariki.

Last week we had a magnificent book character day with a huge variety of characters arriving at school. It was impressive hearing the range of speeches related to characters from each class, and the confidence of our tamariki to present in front of the school was inspiring. We loved sharing this day with so many of our community, and that the environment around our kura celebrating books was so positive. This highlighted how important it is for everyone to enjoy reading. Proceeds of books bought through the Scholastic book fair will provide more books for our school library and class reading resources. Thank you to everyone who bought books.

Room 5, 6 and 1 attended the Science Roadshow last week, where students got to work on practical hands-on experiments, or were guided through experiments by expert science teachers. This has sparked some ideas on what more science opportunities we could offer, including using local resources to continue enabling this curriculum area to grow in our kura.

Rangitikei Tough Kids last Friday saw 60 Year 3 to 8 students participating in both the competitive and fun events. We again had students wanting to make the day even more enjoyable by dressing up. We also had some great achievements with Harry O'Neill coming first in the Year 4 boys race and Leah Maas placing second in the Year 6 girls. As we had such good representation in each year group, many of our students placed in the top 10 or 20 of their respective age groups. Again, without the massive support from parents this would not have been possible. It was great to see Shanae Jones and Libby Rayner out showing the tamariki that they too were prepared to be tough kids by completing the course!

Our Arts Showcase at Te Matapihi has been postponed until 13 September 2023. This will be a whole school celebration of the arts which is part of our triannual arts curriculum focus. This is our way of ensuring that we cover the arts curriculum with effect to all aspects of the arts.

With the volume of events going on this term we want to make sure all classes are well prepared for this showcase and appreciate the extra time to fine-tune performances.

We have seen three of our students excel in piano exams with Dyllan Nairne, Oscar and Milton Auret receiving awards. We really love where the extension music option is going, and this is a great opportunity for parents to choose for students to be involved. It is evident that our tamariki enjoy having the time to have these lessons during the regular school day.



We would like to celebrate some success for one of our former pupils and their family. Last week, Hugh Thomas was announced as Head Boy at Feilding High School. Hugh finished his Year 8 at South Makirikiri School in 2019. During Hugh's time at South Makirikiri he competed in a range of sports, academic challenges like Lit Quiz and Mathex, and is a fine example of the quality pupils that come from our wonderful kura. We are very proud to see Hugh's achievements and also the connection we still have with the Thomas whanau with Ella currently in Year 7 with

us. We know there are many more examples of students from South Makirikiri School succeeding from the foundation skills they received through not only school, but home as well, and it is nice to celebrate these successes.

Camp preparation is continuing to happen for EOTC events in Term 4. We would like to acknowledge the contribution the FOS has made to support reducing the cost of these events for each whanau. The mahi that is done largely through the hay fundraiser at the start of the year supports all our tamariki having the EOTC experiences at minimal costs. One of our focuses is to provide as many opportunities for our tamariki for as little or no cost to you, as parents. Without this support it would be either costing more, or we would not be able to offer these experiences at all.

Greg Allan, Principal

It is now Week 7 of Term 3, and we thought you might need some inspiration for school lunches. This recipe is on Pak 'n Save's website and is credited to Food in a Minute. More recipes are available on our school website at:

<https://www.southmak.school.nz/information/>



BACON AND BAKED BEAN MUFFINS

Serves 12 - Prep time 15 minutes - Cooking time - 15 minutes

Great savoury muffin recipe for the whole family to enjoy!

INGREDIENTS

1 medium onion, peeled and finely chopped
3-4 rashers bacon, diced
3 cups self-raising flour
2 tsp dry mustard

½ tsp each salt and pepper
2-3 Tbsp chopped fresh parsley
1 ½ cups grated cheese
420g can Wattie's baked beans
2 eggs
1 ¼ cups milk
100g melted butter

METHOD

Cook the onion and bacon in a dash of oil in a frying pan until softened and cooked. Cool.

Sift the self-raising flour, mustard, salt and pepper into a large bowl. Stir in the parsley and one cup of grated cheese. Make a well in the centre.

Mix the onion mixture, Watties baked beans, eggs and milk together and pour into the dry ingredients. Stir gently to mix, adding the melted butter as you stir. Do not over-mix as the muffins will peak.

Divide the mixture evenly among 12 well-greased muffin tins and sprinkle the tops with a little of the remaining grated cheese.

Bake at 220 degrees Celsius for 15 minutes until well risen and golden. Cool in tins for two to three minutes before transferring to a cake rack.

For more tasty recipes, visit foodinaminute.co.nz

Below: Our book character dress up day



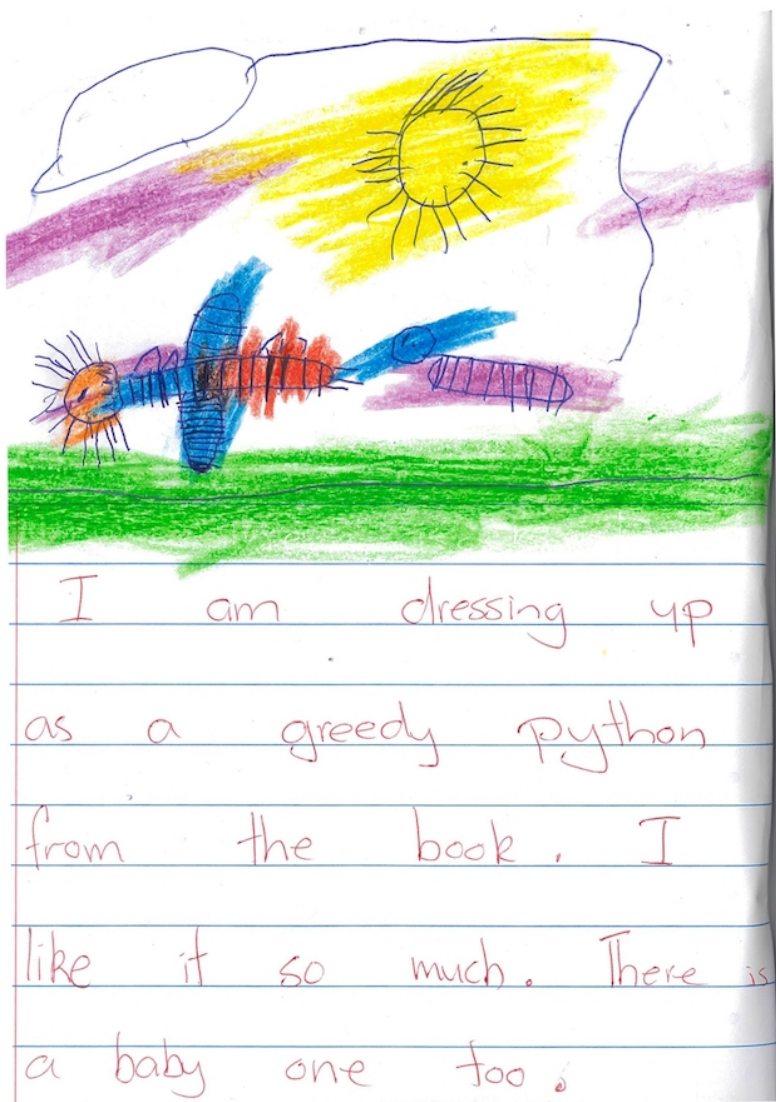
SCHOOL NOTICES

Thank you to Marton Food Pantry: The lovely folk at the Marton Food Pantry dropped off two cartons of apples yesterday. These will be made available to our tamariki to enjoy for morning tea and/or lunch time.

Pet Day - Thursday 21 September 2023: We would appreciate it if families who are interested in bringing pets could complete the pet day entry form. A link to the form has also been set up on our website here: <https://www.southmak.school.nz/calendar/>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to

IBIKE4KIDS IS BACK: This year's event is on Sunday 10 September, 2023 at the Victoria Esplanade in Palmerston North. At our last event in 2022 we had over 250 entrants from around the region. This year we are running the event slightly earlier on 10 September so that participants have the opportunity to attend the Manawatu Mountain Bike Club summer rider development program starting in October. Entries are online only at any of the links below. There are no entries on the day. Our website: <https://www.ibike4kids.co.nz/>



contact us.

SOLWAY COLLEGE INTER-SCHOOLS DRESSAGE COMPETITION:

The Inter-Schools Dressage Competition will be held in Masterton on 20 September 2023 at the Solway Showgrounds. This could be an opportunity for South Makirikiri students to aspire to next year. If you would like more information as to what may be required, please contact Libby Rayner.

FEILDING RURAL DAY - 6th October 2023:

Rural Day is an iconic annual event held in Feilding CBD that attracts 1000s of locals AND visitors to celebrate our rural heritage. This free public event is aimed at celebrating all things rural that are important to our town, district and regional culture and economy. Rural Day brings our community together, attracts new customers and entertains locals and visitors alike. It's a great day for families and a lot of light-hearted fun! Manchester Square will be packed with farm animals, non-stop entertainment, rides, fun rural activities and competitions.

FEILDING RURAL DAY COUNTRY COMES TO TOWN

FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2023
9.30AM - 3PM | FEILDING TOWN SQUARE

FEATURES INCLUDE

- Animals galore
- FREE morning tea for kids
- Farm machinery (which you can climb on!)
- Tractor & milk wagon rides
- Rural Day dressed Fashion Parade
- The farmers Market
- Scavenger Hunt
- Live entertainment (country style!)
- Rope making
- Free saleyard tours
- Shearing Demonstration
- Horse & Cart Rides
- Relay Race for all ages with amazing prizes
- MUCH MUCH MORE

SAVE THE DATE!

Watch this space as we announce sponsors, more events and competition registrations including the famous Gumboot Relay Race.



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Descriptive writing by Eira Pidwell (Room 4):

Turbo Tom rules the far and wide hallways of our house, pouncing his paws as his heart pounds. Kiri hides deep in the mysteries shadows, lurking both high and low waiting for Turbo Tom.



Patrick Judd and Archie Simpson celebrate their Marton Junior U8s awesome win at the recent tournament in Bulls. After six games, their team came away as winners in the final against High School Old Boys - it was a huge day!

TERM EVENTS

Thu 31 August.....Board meeting
Fri 1 September.....CanTeen Bandanna Day
.....Learning Celebration @ 2pm
Tue 5 September.....Senior Quad Tourney
Wed 6 September.....Ki-o-Rahi @ Manchester St Sch
Thu 7 September.....Junior Quad Tourney
Fri 8 September.....Winter Sport Assembly
Mon 11 September.....Maori Language Week
Wedn 13 September....ARTS Showcase at Te Matapihi
Tuesday 19 September.....Blue Light PT Challenge
Thu 21 September.....PET DAY!

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