



Newsletter No3

Value for the Week: **Compassion** "Be kind, caring and inclusive"



Our VALUE for the week is COMPASSION

If you want others to be happy, practise compassion. If you want to be happy, practise compassion."

Discussing the school value helps students cement these values and supports the link between expectations at school and home.

- **Swimming Gala** Tomorrow afternoon at the Fordell Community Pool. The first race will start at 1:15pm. All the children will be involved in this, either in races or demonstrations. We are hoping to finish with enough time for a free swim at the end. You may take your child straight home from the pool, just please let their teacher know before you leave. A reminder to make sure your child has their swimming gear, and a water bottle with them. We will take their sunhats down with them and ensure they have been reminded to apply sunblock. We would love to see you there to join in the fun.
- **Swimming** Our school swimming programme will finish this Friday. Cluster sports are on next Wednesday and you will be informed if your child will be involved in this.
- **Athletics** Our next PE focus will be a two week refresher in athletics, ahead of the Cluster Athletics Day at Cooks' Garden on March 23rd. Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing to be running, jumping and throwing. This may mean popping a pair of shorts into their bag to change into.
- Fundraising Fundraising committee welcome new members at any time! Kati Hogan has given her resignation to the Committee. A huge thanks to her for her many years of support, and we wish her well in her future endeavours. Fundraising events coming up this year Luncheon for Matarawa Church, 17th April, May pie sales, August, Ball. More info will follow.

As part of our Te Reo/Tikanga programme, we are learning the steps and protocol around a powhiri. It is very interesting as many of us have either never been through a powhiri experience, or we have, but really had no idea what was happening. On Friday, April 1st at 1.30pm, the school will be performing a powhiri for you, our school families. This will be a teaching powhiri, where we stop each step of the way and explain what we are doing, and why we are doing it. The children will act as the Tangata Whenua (people of the land) and you, the community, will act as the Manuhiri (visitors). We would love to have as many parents, grandparents, and other whanau join us. Invitations will come home in the next week. We do need some help, however. If you would like to discuss the process we will be going through, I would be more than happy to have your input. As well as that we need a few parents to be 'leaders' of the manuhiri. This could be an active role, or simply finding out when to move, where to go and being the person at the front so others can follow you. Please come and see me or your child's teacher if you are able to help us in any of these ways.

Elizabeth Schaw—Principal

"Providing a quality education that develops confident children." Mission Statement

Our Values

- Compassion
- Responsibility
- Respect
- Confidence
- Pride
- Honesty
- Courage
- Commitment

Important Dates for Term 1



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In the last couple of assemblies we have celebrated the success of our "Student of the Week".

Room 1:

Lauren Phillips—For a positive, conscientious approach at all times.

Rose Raikes— For demonstrating pride in her school giving up her own time to collect litter. *Room 2:*

Angus Sewell—For outstanding confidence and creativity in literacy. Frances Carston— For setting herself high standards in all areas of her work and being a brilliant helper for students and staff.

Room 3:

Xavier Brotherton—For being ready to learn. Olivia Campbell—always putting in 100%

Room 4:

Leo Stephens— For making an effort to self manage in the classroom and stay on task. **Hamish Cranstone**— For being an expert at the morning Tikanga and always happy to help others with it.

Values of the Week: These students have received a certificate for displaying the school values on a consistent basis:-

Bride Knapp, Harry Sewell, Lennox Brotherton, Lucca Plowright, Ben Mackintosh, Danielle Houlahan, Hamish Cranstone, Hannah Benn, Wyatt Alderton, Charlie Ross, Olivia Campbell, Sophie Cranstone, Toby Gill, Paige Carston Jordan Solomona, Sam Cranstone, Farren Rowe, Andrew Grice, Angela Pritchard, Mekah Hayward, Daniel O'Neill, Matthew Grice, Catie McGregor, Lilly West and Chase Rowe. Lazily I linger underneath my sheep wool soft covers. Until I was awaken from a roar as loud as lion that echoed through the lonely cold house. I miserably launch myself down the hallway. The clapping cupboards were cheering me on down the hallway, screech! The old used up squeaky door strikes again, it almost blew my air drums out. I slowly twist my neck like a hawk looking for its prey to see what was the time. I caught my prey, twenty past seven. Aaaarggh! Frantically I get my breakfast and demolish it quick as a hungry hyena in the desert. "Time to go" mum yelled . I quickly threw my clothes on and jumped in the car and headed to school. "What a morning"!

Angus Pearce



Room 4 slaps their hands into the glup pretending to be monsters, zoombies and ghosts. Shakila, Eva and I were quickly turing green. We made the glup with cornflour, food colouring and water. As we mixed it, it turned into zoombie blood.

Darline

Room Three Discovery time

The Jump

The rope was getting tied around me. It was so tight it felt like it was strangling my waist. The excitement was quickly building up inside me. It was time for me to jump off the plane. I bent my knees and jumped into action. The air was slapping my face and the wind was swaying me from side to side. Now I was 40metres away form the stream that was shimmering brightly. Almost like as if it looked like diamonds, sapphires and crystals. It was a beautiful sight. Now I was 10metrees away from the water. Now when my feet were about to touch the stream, the stretchy rope pulled me back up into the air. Finally, I was on the plane. It felt like years since my feet touched ground. Now that is a time in my life I'll never forget.

Elena Solomona



In February we have had birthdays for Grace Auker (27th Feb)and Sharron Phillips (4th Mar) Happy Birthday to you both.



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little children around on. Enquiries: Ph Leanne 0278260480

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