

# The Fordell Flyer

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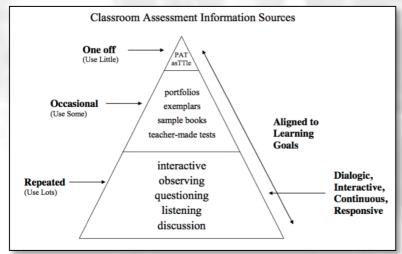


What an amazing first term I have had at Fordell School. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the wonderful children and meeting you all. Highlights are the sharing of their learning and adventures, Book Week, the House Challenge and enjoying time out in the playground seeing them interacting so positively with each other. Fordell students definitely show pride of where they come from and value the importance of relationships.

As you know we have just had our Board of Trustees election. Our **Fordell School Board of Trustees are** Kirsten Bryant (Chairperson), Cath Cranstone, Darryl Vincent, Rob Sewell, Linda O'Neill and David Reddish. We are fortunate to have such a committed community who support Fordell School.

You will have noticed the huge tidy up around Fordell School, this is thanks to our **new** caretaker Connor Pullins. We welcome him to our Fordell School community.

Mid Year Reports. It is that time of the year when teachers are completing mid year reports and reporting to you in regards to National Standards. If your child is year 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8 the judgement is made in regards to whether your child is on track to meeting the end of year standard for their level. If your child is year 1, 2 or 3 it may be the on track to meeting the standard or if they have recently had a birthday it will be an end of year judgement for their level. This judgement involves drawing on and applying the evidence gathered. The diagram below shows the different evidence that is used to form this overall teacher judgement (OTJ). As you will notice our tests (e.g., STAR, PAT) only make up a small part of this judgement. Tests inform us of what your child can do independently and what their next steps in learning are.



No single source of information can accurately summarise a student's achievement or progress. A range of approaches is necessary in order to compile a comprehensive picture of the areas of progress, areas requiring attention, and what a student's unique progress looks like. Using a range of approaches also allows your child to participate throughout the assessment process, not their judgement being made on one single piece of information. Mid Year reports will come home with your child week 10, Wednesday 6 July.

School finishes for the term on Friday 8 July. You are welcome to join us for our end of term assembly where each class will share a highlight from the term.

Have a fantastic break and see you on Monday 25 July for another Fordell fun term.

Yvette Moorhouse, Principal

## **Our Values**

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

## Important Dates Coming Up

#### Week 10

6/7 – Mid Year Reports

8/7 – Assembly, each class sharing a highlight from the term

8/7 – End of Term 2

#### Term 3 Week 1

25/7 – Term 3 starts 27/7 – R1 technology

29/7 – assembly run by



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### Week 8 in assembly we celebrated our

## "Student of the Week" awards:

Room 1: Olivia Zinsli for renewed commitment to her writing.

Room 2: Mitchell Vincent for consistently working well.

**Room 3: Angela Pritchard** for working hard to achieve her goals.

**Room 4:** Hamish Cranstone for going on an exciting adventure every week around the world.

**Fordell Value Awards**. These students have received a certificate for displaying the school values on a consistent basis. Congratulations to the following Fordell students:

Grace Auker, Kiana Tekahika, Chase Rowe, Sophie Cranstone, Scott Hughes, Izrael Nahona-Osborne, Xaier Brotherton, Kyle Dickon, Ben Mackintosh, Larissa Benn, Keegan Myburgh, Jordan Solomoana, Isobella Shaw.

## Week 9 in assembly we celebrated our

### "Student of the Week" awards:

**Room 1: Kayla Lazarevich** for cheerful enthusiasm and commitment to all aspects of her learning.

**Room 2: Kyle Dickon** for showing initiative and responsibility.

Room 3: Kobi Auker for a great attitude.

**Room 4: Maggie Pearce** for consistently taking pride in all her school work.

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Bride Knapp, Ella Tunbridge, Jordan Solomona, Andrew Grice, Max McGregor, Frances Carston, Kaylib Stephens, Hannah Benn, Catie McGregor, Eva Ashworth, Deacon Williams, Olivia Campbell, Mekah Hayward.

## Our **VALUE** we are highlighting this week is...

## **COMPASSION**

Please note that all our values are our Fordell School Expectations (rules) and they are part of our everyday language. Language is the carrier of our culture, the more we speak it the more it becomes part of our second nature.



 $\checkmark$  Be kind, caring and inclusive.

✓ Show empathy and helpfulness towards others.

#### **FORDELL SCHOOL**

Value Badges
Congratulations to:

**Andrew Grice** – Silver Badge



### Thank You Very Much

It was a great surprise when in the mail we received a wonderful donation of \$500 from Grange Transport. Thank you Grange Transport for supporting Fordell School.



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#### My A-Z Story

An alligator was on my couch when I got home from school. But there wasn't just an alligator on the couch there was a

dog in my fridge.

Cats were everywhere you looked.

Does anyone know why there is a deer in my shower?

Eels are having a bath, ahhhh!

Forever I am hearing animal noises.

Goats were chewing on my pillows!!1

How did all these horses get in here?

Is anyone else able to see those jaguars from India?

Just give me a break!

Kingfishers were diving on me like I was bait.

Look, I knew there were cats but not lions.

Monkeys were hanging from the chandelier.

No, I should just leave.

Oysters were in my oven.

Please pinch me1

Quiet down I have a headache.

Rats were running everywhere, eeeeek!

**S**lithering snakes in my sheets.

Tarantualas are everwhere.

Under the blankets even.

Violent animals everywhere.

Where are those walrus tracks heading?

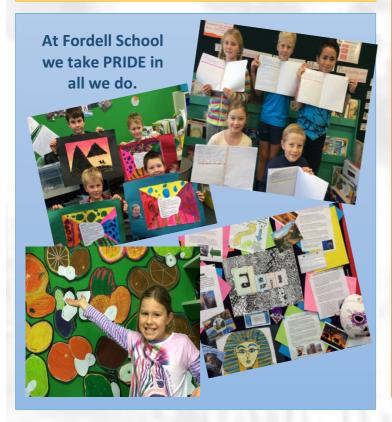
X-ray vision is what I need to find them all!!

Yikes, what am I to do?

**Z**ZZZZZ, yay it was all a bad dream.

By Frankie, Room 2







#### A-Z Story

When I got home I found...

Alligators eating all of the meat from the fridge.

**B**aboons eating all of the bananas from the fruit bowl.

Cats were tearing up my couch bit by bit.

**D**onkeys were hee-hawing so loud my windows smashed.

**E**lephants were flooding the bathroom.

Flamingos were standing in the middle of the driveway.

**G**iraffes heads were sticking out of the chimney.

Holy moly, hedgehogs ere curled up on my bed.

Iguanas tricked me by changing colours.

Jelly fish were swarming inside my pool.

Kangaroos were standing on their tails fighting.

Lions strolled through the garden.

Monkeys swung from the chandelier.

No, newts were everywhere!

Octopi juggled my gym balls.

Poodles were wearing my fashion tutus.

Quite a surprise when I saw sheep jumping over the fence.

Red pandas were clutching onto a tree.

Sweet cheese and crackers, had torn all my clothes

Tasmanian devils had pulled the covers off my bed.

Umbrellas were floating in the pool.

**V**ultures were circling over the roof.

**W**asps were hovering in the kitchen.

**X**-ray fish were lighting up the hall.

Yaks were on my lawn eating my grass.

"Zoo for sale" said the sign at my gate!

By Elena, Room 2

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## A Message from the Fordell Board of Trustees Chairperson

To the Fordell School Community,

After a hectic start to the year with lots of changes, the school has settled into its normal and busy routine.

The Board is really grateful to our staff for the impressive way that they have managed the transition process this year. Change is never easy, but the support and attitude to go that extra mile for our children, families and each other is one of the things that makes Fordell School such a special place.

And change doesn't stop. Currently the Board is exploring a number of options to accommodate our growing school community to ensure that our staff and students continue to be well-supported in their teaching and learning. We are fortunate to be in a position to even consider extra staffing this year but strongly believe that targeted investment will make a difference.

The makeup of the Board has also changed and I would like to acknowledge the contribution that retiring Trustees Anne Knapp and Andy Pearce have made to the Board and to our school.

In Term 1 the Education Review Office visited Fordell School as part of the 3 year review cycle.

The focus of the review asked "How effectively does the school respond to Maori and other students whose learning and achievement needs accelerating?"

We were really pleased that the high level of student achievement, supported by the data, was recognised by the review team. The great part of having people from outside coming in and giving their feedback is that it gives us new ideas and pathways to explore and as a result we are looking at further refining the assessment and data systems that we have at school.

Whilst the review was extremely positive, we are not entirely convinced that the new ERO process is tailored well enough to meet the needs of schools as individual entities and we have given ERO this feedback. The report will be available over the next few weeks. I am happy to discuss this further with any parent or caregiver who would like to know more.

#### Kirsten Bryant

on behalf of the Board of Trustees

## Wanganui East Swimming Club

Winter Training
Sunday 4:00 – 5:00pm at the
Splash Centre

Come along and join in the fun. We will build up your skills and stamina through training and technique correction. All welcome. We are the cheapest Swim club offering training in Wanganui. Annual rates from \$45.00 pp.

Any queries phone Mel 343 3154.

## **Happy Birthday to...**

School

This week we wish the following students happy birthday...

23 June – Hamish Cranstone 25 June – Charlie Ross 26 June – Mason Miller 30 June – Seth Forlong 30 June – Mrs Clow

Congratulations to these students for making Wanganui Representative Teams.

Isaac Kosena-Newman – Under 10 Football Reps Harry Sewell – Under 12 Football Reps

Good luck to our hockey boys who continue to trial this weekend.

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