

WEEDONS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Respect The Rest & Be Your Best

01 Nov 2017 – Term 4– Week 3

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Tena Koutou Katoa

It has been great to have such amazing weather for our two recent school events, Spring Fling and Athletics day. Thank you for your support of these two days.

A great deal of extra hours go into organising these events, a huge thank you to our organisers, Emma Wright (Spring Fling) and Andrea Ward (Athletics Day.) Also thanks to FOW's for the much appreciated ice blocks after athletics day and for the bacon butties and ice creams at Spring Fling.



Congratulations to all the competitors on athletics day. Your ambition was outstanding especially in such warm conditions. Results

are now being collated to determine our team for the zone event.

Proof that the Year 8's really did win the sulky race!

Photo credit - Alex B, Room 4

And to top it off they also won the parent/teacher year 8 relay.



Year 4 Camp Fundraising Bake Sale Tomorrow

Thursday 02 November

Bring 50c, \$1 and \$2 coins

On Monday Rooms 1-3 attended the Science Roadshow. They thoroughly enjoyed a wonderful range of hands-on activities exploring the science concepts of Heat; Electricity; Gravity; Magnetism and Human Performance. In addition the children participated in two live shows - one on the Hidden World (x-rays, infra red etc) and one on Spectacular Changes.

Reminders:



Sun Hats: Please remember that our school sun hats are compulsory for Terms 4 and Term 1. We do have stock available in the office.

Sports Uniforms:- Could the remainder of these please be returned to the office by the end of this week. PLEASE RETURN THESE!!!



Changes to contact details: please update the office as soon as you change your phone number, email address or residential address.

Diary 2017

16 Oct – Start of Term 4

02 Nov – Bake Sale Year 4 Camp

17 Nov – Show Day

01 Dec – Mufti Day Enviro Club

04 Dec – Swimming Starts

14 Dec – Last day of Swimming

15 Dec – Last Day ½ Day
2018

30 Jan – Term 1 Begins

06 Feb – Waitangi Day

30 Mar – Good Friday

02 Apr – Easter Monday

03 Apr – Easter Tuesday
(School Closed)

13 Apr – Last Day of Term 1



Year 8 Graduation Bears

Anyone who is keen to take on the task of making "Bear Size" sweatshirts to fit the Graduation Bears, please contact Kirstie Hamilton 0273418378. (Training only this year)

Also required old school tops donated so the emblems can be re-used. Thanks.

Top Performer Room 5

The top performer in Room 5 this term is a vivacious and charming young lady that you will all know well because she is so personable to everyone around the school. Of course, its Lydia!

Lydia has spectacular manners and loves engaging with her peers, older students, teachers and parents. She is extremely chatty, friendly and outgoing, and always interested in the world around her. She likes to be helpful and is very kind too.

Lydia has had some extra challenges with her learning in the past because she has a hearing loss in both ears. Recently she was fitted with some super duper hearing aids and a special device for her teachers to wear, called a Roger Pen. My goodness, look out now because Lydia can hear very well indeed with her bionic ears! She has been excited to hear new things like the sound of birds chirping which in the past were difficult for her.

Her new hearing aids are also helping her to learn more easily now and she is making some very pleasing progress, even though she has only had them a short time. Lydia has now started the Orange reading level in class and is reading with great expression, fluency and phrasing and shows a good understanding of what she reads too. Lydia also loves to write stories and describes her own personal experiences very well. She has beautiful neat handwriting and always takes pride in presenting her work well, she is often chosen to display her quality work at the end of our handwriting lesson.

Lydia loves school and is always smiley and keen to undertake any task. She participates actively in class discussions and has great ideas to share and asks thoughtful questions. She loves art, craft, drama and dance opportunities too, and is a natural performer, as evidenced in her cameo role in her sister's fundraising video clips!!

Mrs Anngow and Mrs Dawson find Lydia to be a great organiser when it comes to remembering how to manage her new hearing devices so that she gets the best out of them. She is also great help in general around the class. Well done, Lydia this top performer award is so well deserved.

Friends of Weedons



Thank you to those that have already returned chocolate money and any unsold chocolates. Please remember that these are due back tomorrow, Thursday 02 November.

Community Notices

Selwyn Athletic Club would like to invite any children preparing for the upcoming Lincoln zones to attend their trainings on Wednesday 1st and Wednesday 8th November for \$3/session, or \$5 for both.

This will be at 6pm at Brookside Park in Rolleston.