



SOUTH FEATHERSTON
Town and Country School

Phone: 06 3089433

Mobile: 021-084-29367

Website: www.southfeatherston.school.nz

NEWSLETTER

Term 1, No.6: 17th March 2017

email: office@sfs.school.nz

Principal: principal@sfs.school.nz

School Bank Account: 12-3290-0003608-00 ASB Masterton

Please remember to notify the school office of any absences before 9am each day.

Term 1 Dates to Remember

20 Mar BOT Meeting 7pm
Tech for Y7/8 Mon 20, Wed 22, Wed 29 March, and Mon 3 April
27 Mar - 'Science Roadshow' in Carterton - Y2 - 8
Thurs 13 April - Last Day Term 1
Monday 1 May – First Day T2

2017 School Term Dates

Term 1 Wed 1 Feb – 13 April
Term 2 1 May – 7 July
Term 3 24 July – 29 Sept
Term 4 16 Oct – 15 Dec

LUNCH FOOD AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL

Ham and Pineapple Pizza	\$3.00
Small Mince Pie	\$2.00
Mince and Cheese Pie	\$3.00
Sausage Roll	\$2.00
Butter Chicken Wrap	\$3.00
Apple Pie	\$2.00
Blueberry muffin	\$1.50
Chocolate muffin	\$1.50

NB: We are a water only school – please ensure that drink bottles contain water only



Steve Chapman has generously offered to donate a percentage of his house sales to our school! If you, or anyone you know, are buying or selling a property, give Steve a call.

Steve Chapman
Mr Soldat
Licensed under REAA 2008
25 Fitzherbert St.,
Featherston
027 687 5809
schapman@leaders.co.nz



And the term just keeps racing by . . . !

Basketball: Over the past couple of weeks, we have had basketball tutors with us each Wednesday morning, working with all three classes. We are so pleased that we are able to give our children another opportunity, in another sporting code, to build their physical skills and knowledge. These will continue on for 5 weeks until the end of Term 1. The children have had two sessions so far and are thoroughly enjoying them! Who knows – we may have a future Tall Black sensation in our midst!

Ukulele lessons: Last Tuesday saw the first of the ukulele lessons for a group of children from Rooms 2 and 3, who were lucky enough to have their names drawn from the hat. We had so many children that wanted to give them a go but unfortunately the ladies of the Silver Ukulele Group of Featherston are only able to take 10 learners initially. We are hoping that this number may increase over the year so if your child was disappointed about not being chosen this time, they may well get the chance later on this year.

Values Focus: This term our Values focus continues to be "RESPECT" and our children are responding well to it. We are 'catching' children as they clearly exhibit respect – whether it is towards each other, in the classroom or out in the playground, towards our adults and visitors, or even towards the school environment. Each assembly, we are presenting more and more certificates so it is clear that this method of increasing respect at school is working. Eventually, the need for extrinsic motivation (certificates) will lessen as it becomes more a case of "That's just how we do it around here!"

Writing: Our other school-wide focus for the year is writing. We are celebrating great examples of children's writing every week by having them share their writing at assembly and receiving a 'Super Writers Award'. As often as possible, I will share the writing on our Facebook page, so keep an eye out for that! Don't forget you are always welcome to come along to our assemblies.

BOT Parent Questionnaires: Thank you to the families that responded to this as it will provide so much insight into the learning goals you have for your children, and the importance you place on aspects of education. It will also start to help inform the Board as we work through redeveloping our school Charter, its Values and the process we will go through in developing a South Featherston School Graduate Profile.

Technology for Year 7 and 8's: Just a reminder that technology starts for our children this coming Monday, 20 March. Please remember that there will be two Monday sessions (**20 March, 3 April**) and two Wednesday sessions (**22 March, 29 March**).

Ngā mihi nui

Tana Klaricich

OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS: Thank you to all the families who have paid their account or are making automatic payments. Statements have been posted and emailed to families with amounts still outstanding.



**Arielle in Room 3 is selling Girl Guide Biscuits
Original, Chocolate and Mini Chocolate
All \$3.50 per packet
Text/call her Mum Caroline for orders
and delivery instructions
021 02606152**



*Lucky Books catalogues have been sent home.
Please return all orders by 23rd March
so that books will arrive before the end of
term one.*

Second Hand Uniform

We have HEAPS second hand uniforms for sale especially smaller sized polar fleeces. Please call in to the office between 8.30-12.00 to have a look or give the office a ring during these hours.