



**SOUTH FEATHERSTON**  
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# NEWSLETTER

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

**Term 1 Dates to Remember**

Tech for Y7/8 Mon 20, Wed 22

(9-12), Wed 29 March (9-12),

Mon 3 April, Mon 10 Apr

27 Mar - 'Science Roadshow'

in Carterton - Y2 - 8

Thurs 13 April - Last Day Term 1

Monday 1 May - First Day T2

Tues 16 - Fri 19 May - Room 3

Camp at Waimanaaki

**It has been so nice to have some consistently lovely weather!** The classes are all getting outside a lot and it is really enhancing their Wednesday morning basketball sessions . . . Long may it last!

**Technology for Year 7 and 8s:** A reminder that the our Year 7 and 8 students have Technology at Featherston School for **half a day** on **Wednesday 22 March, and Wednesday 29 March**. We will bring them back to our school at lunchtime on those days and they will go home at 3pm in their usual way. The next two full day Mondays are Monday 3 April and Monday 10 April.

**Science Roadshow:** A reminder that next **Monday, 27 March**, all of our Year 2-8 children are travelling by bus up to Masterton Intermediate School to take part in the Science Roadshow. The event is during school time (we will leave at 11.45pm and be back at around 2.30pm) so students will go home in the usual manner at the normal time. Please make sure your child has enough lunch and a drink in their bags. They will eat up there. We will take lots of photos and post them on our Facebook page. Please take time to talk with your child about their experience! It is a fabulous event, which I have taken classes/schools to a number of times over the years. Please note: the school will fully cover the cost of this event.

**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

**High Vis Vest:** We are starting to have a little trouble with the usual children not wearing their High Vis Vests to and from school. Please note: The High Vis Vests are **part of our school uniform** and have been **passed into policy** as such by our Board of Trustees. Our only concern here is to ensure the safety of YOUR child as they come to school and return home again to you at the end of each day. We ask for your support for this policy by simply helping your child find their vest (if it is 'lost') and get it on their back each day! **Cars don't see children** – sadly, this is a fact supported by the number of children each year that are killed or injured going to and from their schools.

**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

**Easter Raffle:** As you will see on the next page, we are reinstating the Great South Featherston School Easter Raffle! Funds raised from the raffle this year will be used to support Room 3 as they head off next term for their 4 day camp at Waimanaaki at Riversdale Beach. Pete and his class will be doing a few fundraisers leading up to camp so that the cost is reduced for all families. Please help them by donating items for the raffle and then buying and selling the tickets!



**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.

**Assembly Award winners:** At last Friday's assembly, the following children received certificates:-

Respect Award: Kara Kinnaird, Bea Miller-Holley, Eloise Ward, Alethea Shaw, Arini Aporo

Super Writer's Award: Alex McLeod, Samuel Raj, Ellie Berry, Layla Donald

Kindness Award: Samuel De Ritter, Samuel Raj, Darius Franklyn

Eco Warrior Award: Aoraki Aporo, Darius Franklyn, Kara Kinnaird

Reading Award: Kurt Nicholas, Charlotte Powell

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Ngā mihi nui

Tana Klaricich



# Easter Raffle



Easter falls in the school holidays this year so we need to organise our Easter raffle as soon as possible so that we can sell tickets and draw the raffle before the holidays begin. Our raffle is always popular with the Featherston community and is a successful fundraiser for our school. Over the next couple of weeks we would appreciate each family donating an egg or Easter themed item or two towards the raffle.

Please drop off to the school office if possible or send in with your child if you dare!!

We will be sending 10 tickets home with each family to sell. Please contact Jo at the school office if you would like more tickets. We really appreciate family support with our fundraising and thank everyone for their efforts.

Martinborough Squash Club offers coaching sessions on Mondays from 3.30 and Club night/ matches on Friday from 4.30pm in terms 2 and 3.

Children can do both or just one, whatever suits. For those that are competitive there is the opportunity to compete in local tournaments

All ages and levels are catered for.

Club registration is on Monday 27th March at 4 pm at the Squash Club at Martinborough Golf Club or email

[lynettenetty@outlook.com](mailto:lynettenetty@outlook.com).

Featherston Junior Football will be holding its registration day this coming Sunday (26th) from 4-5pm at the clubrooms on Underhill Rd, Featherston.



**Pukaha is very proud to be celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> kiwi chick to be hatched at the National Wildlife Centre**

**Come see our 100<sup>th</sup> kiwi chick!**

MB100 hatched on Friday 17 March in the nursery and staff will be celebrating with the community from March 26 to April 3. MB100 will remain in the brooder off display until **March 26th** when it will have its initial 12 noon kiwi chick feed. This is to allow it time to absorb its yolk from the hatch. It will be fed in the nursery daily at 12 noon from March 26 to Monday 3 April.

On **Sunday March 26 there will be a Kids Go Free Day!** All children up to 15 years old will receive free entry to Pukaha with a paying adult.

During the week of celebrations there will be opportunities for people to engage in special kiwi related activities in the kiwi nocturnal house.

Pukaha will also be running a special competition on its facebook page where the first 100 people to answer a kiwi question will go in the draw to win a family kiwi night walk at Pukaha for up to 6 people. Visit us at [www.facebook.com/pukahamountbruce](http://www.facebook.com/pukahamountbruce)