



SOUTH FEATHERSTON
Town and Country School
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NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 7: 20th May 2020

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

Please remember to **SLOW DOWN** to 40kms between the signs near our school.

Remember you must **SLOW DOWN** to 20kms when passing a stationary school bus!!

Please remind your child to wear their High Vis Vest!

Morena koutou e te iwi . . . Good morning all.

New enrolment: A big welcome to our newest learner, Holly, who enrolled with us during Lockdown and, as we have seen through our Junior Room Facebook page and Junior classroom Google Meets, has loved getting involved with her learning! Holly and her family recently came to live in NZ from Australia. With Mrs Alan's support, she is still learning remotely for a few more days but we are looking forward to having at school soon.

Our return to school: Thank you to everyone! You have helped us make our transition back to school a seamless one. All our parents and whānau are supporting us 100% with the 'new look' drop off and pick up regimes, and I have to say, I have LOVED walking the children out to the gate and seeing all of you there, with your great big smiles and open arms! It's very much the UK-school way of doing things and it's kind of nice for a change, short term as it may be (all going well!) I totally understand how hard it was for some of you to leave your children with us on Monday, with a certain degree of uncertainty still around, but I hope we are living up to your expectations, both in terms of H & S requirements and ongoing learning. The children are settled and enjoying what our teachers have planned for them in the classroom. We are very much focusing on getting to know each other again, and providing fun, but meaningful learning opportunities. Teachers will get term's class newsletters out to you as soon as possible. **Please continue to support us by keeping your child at home if they are coughing, have a runny nose or a sore throat, or exhibit any other respiratory symptoms. As we have been directed by the MoH and MoE, if a child starts showing any of these symptoms at school, we will isolate them in the sick bay immediately, and call you to come and take them home. Your understanding and vigilance is greatly appreciated.**

Easter Raffle: So we are turning our Easter Raffle, which wasn't able to be completed, into a 'Queen's Birthday Ex-Easter Treats' raffle! We received enough goodies from everyone for three or four decent prizes (First Prize is HUGE!) If you have sold all the tickets that came home to you before Lockdown, please return all money and tickets to the office as soon as possible, but **no later than next Thursday, 28 May**. If you would like more tickets to sell, that would be great! Obviously we have sold far less due to the fact that we weren't able to sell outside the two supermarkets in late March and early April, so let Jo know (via email or cell phone) and she will get some more out to you. The raffle will be drawn next Friday 29 May, and we'll get the prizes out to you in time for the long weekend, which is . . .

Queen's Birthday Weekend: Monday 1 June – no school, public holiday!

Term 2 Reporting to Parents: Clearly schools are behind the 8 ball in terms of usual reporting to parents/Learning Conference schedules. As many other schools across the country are doing, I'll be surveying for feedback regarding what you'd like to know at this time given what we have all been through. Keep an eye out for that in the next week or so!

Ngā mihi nui

Tana Klaricich

"In a world where you can be anything, be kind . . ."

If you haven't already done so, please download our **Skool Loop** app to your phone so you can keep right up to date with what's happening at school and any important notices or emergency notifications: <https://www.skoolloop.com/>

Term 1 Dates to Remember

Thurs 21 May: Y7/8 T1 make up day for Technology
Mon 25 May: Y7/8 T1 Make up day for Technology
Wed 10 June: BoT mtg 6pm

Friday 3 July

Last Day Term 2

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2020 School Term Dates

T1: Mon 3 Feb - Thurs 9 Apr
T2: Tues 28 May - Fri 3 Jul
T3: Mon 20 Jul - Fri 25 Sept
T4: Mon 12 Oct - Tues 15 Dec

Teacher Only Days

Friday 21 August Friday 27 Nov



'Mr Sold!'

Steve Chapman
0276875809

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
Butter Chicken Pie	\$3.00
Bacon & Egg Pie	\$3.00
Chicken Pie	\$3.00
Potato Top Pie	\$3.00
Vegan Cashew Kumara Pie	\$3.00
Blueberry muffin	\$1.50
Chocolate muffin	\$1.50

NB: We are a water only school. Please ensure that drink bottles contain water only

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Featherston Junior FC - 2020 Season Restart Dates & Stuff

OK, SO WHAT'S THE PLAN WITH THE SEASON RESTART?

The current plan is to have the season kick off on **Saturday 30th May**. Which is under two weeks from now.

We're obviously waiting until the 25th to see if there's a change to that schedule as that's when the Government will let us all know what the plan is for social distancing and gatherings beyond 10 people. This isn't queuing up for KFC, we take out government requests seriously! A Festival Day is normally 250+ people with over 40 teams with parents and adults trying to get coffee and not drop \$50 at the sausage sizzle.

SO, IS THERE ANYTHING WE CAN DO NOW?

Yes. You can register for the 2020 season so we have at least two teams in the mix.

Last year we had 78 registered players, this year we have just 39.

HOW MANY PLAYERS ARE REGISTERED ATM?

Currently the numbers look like this

U6 Team Registrations = 4. Almost enough for a team

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U8 Team Registrations = 3. Not enough for a team

U9 Team Registrations = 9. Enough for one team - whoop whoop!!

U10 Team Registrations = 7. Almost enough for one team

U11 Team Registrations = 4. Not enough for a team

U12/13 Team Registrations = 8. Almost enough for a team

If we don't have enough players we cannot register the teams, so we cannot be added to the leagues for draws to created and matches scheduled. We can't just turn up on the day and hope for the best. It's not like voting.

DOESN'T EVERYONE REGISTER LATE?

Carterton had 95 registrations by February, so no. Greytown said they had 1,459 registrations, allegedly.

WHAT IF WE DON'T WANT TO TAKE THE RISK OF REGISTERING AND THERE BEING A PROBLEM?

Then you should not take the risk to you or your family. Nothing wrong with that. Obviously if we see your player tearing it up playing rugby we'll be a bit confused, but that's still your decision to make, incorrect as it may be.

IF IT'S CANCELLED, DO WE GET A REFUND?

Yes, you get a FULL REFUND. We're not Air New Zealand.

WHAT IF WE DECIDE WE DON'T WANT TO PLAY BEFORE THE SEASON STARTS?

You get a refund minus the cost of any kit we've purchased for your player[s].

OK, SO WE REGISTER, WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH PRE SEASON TRAINING?

We have seen that at Alert Level 2, gatherings of up to 10 people are permitted.

So Sport New Zealand has developed a Contact Tracing App for us, and guidelines for what can and cannot be permitted during a training session.

ID ME - flier below - allows for contactless tracking as required at Level2.

Once we have enough players for a team, an email will go out to have those players and adults registered for ID ME, and Capital Football.

OK, SO IF WE REGISTER, AND THERE ARE ENOUGH PLAYERS TO FORM A TEAM, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ARRANGE A PRE SEASON TRAINING SESSION, IF EVERYONE FOLLOWS THE CONTACT TRACING & L2 LOCKDOWN RULES?

Yeah, easy!

COOL.

Thanks.

WHEN DO REGISTRATIONS CLOSE?

If it helps speed you up, assume it's the end of the week.

OK.

No worries.

Nim Grewal

iMe Touch-free contact register

New Zealand sports organisers are required to maintain a contact tracing log to identify individuals who may have come into contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19

iDMe delivers this free for community sport

Step 1 - Sports Organisers

iDMe lets sports organisers turn your own smartphone or tablet into a QR Code scanner so you can instantly scan people into your venue, courts, turf, fields or clubrooms.

There's also a self check-in option that lets people register their attendance at training or your venue without needing to be scanned.



Step 2 - The Community

iDMe lets people create their own personal QR Code on their phone with their contact information (name, address, email, phone number). They can save it to their phone home screen so it's instantly available, even offline.

Multiple personal QR Codes can be saved to a single phone, making it easy to display and provide everyone's contact details, completely touch-free.



Step 3 - Data Stored Securely

The contact details of each person who scans in or performs a self check-in are automatically added to a secure database that is accessible to each sport organiser. Each record includes the location, date and time of attendance.



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JAB RUGBY

Now that we are in Level 2 we thought it would be a good time to update you on the rugby season going forward. For obvious reasons, this years planned JAB trip to a Hurricanes game won't be going ahead and we will plan to go again at the start of the 2021 season. At this stage there is still no rugby or trainings for any junior rugby teams. There will be an update on the 25th May to advise whether we are able to commence with training. It will be a progressive return to play which means that games are most likely to start in term 3 with a shortened season. Updates will be given as further information becomes available. If you haven't registered your child yet please click on the following link and complete the registration form so we can confirm final numbers and get teams sorted so we are ready to go once we have the green light. <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/104967>

Cheers, Malcolm