



NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 7, 27th November 2024

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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!!



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! I just don't have enough words to show my appreciation to everyone who helped organise, cook, support, attend, sell, eat, play and mingle at our Country Fair on Saturday! What an amazing day! I will confidently say that South Featherston School, and our Country Fair, are well and truly back on the school fair/gala circuit! The feedback we have had about our Fair has been pretty astounding, really! The comments made to me, both on the day and in emails since, to commend our ākonga on their beautiful manners and respect – well, to say I am proud would be a total understatement . . !

Raffle ticket prize winners: Jo is still working her way through contacting all our winners of the 26 prizes in our raffle. As soon as she's done that, I will put out a full list of the winning ticket numbers, which prize it won, and names of the winner.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS YOUR FINAL REMINDER THAT THIS FRIDAY, 29 November, IS A TEACHER ONLY DAY HERE AT SCHOOL.

Normal school day again on Monday . . .

Term 4 Dates to Remember

TEACHER ONLY DAY: this Friday, 29 November

Learning Conferences: Tues 10 & Wed 11 December

Senior Room overnigher at Bucks Road: 12-13 Dec

Final Assembly: Thurs 19 Dec with an 11.30am starting time

Last Day Term 4, 2024: Thursday 19 December

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2024 School Term Dates

T1: Wed 7 Feb - Fri 12 April

T2: Mon 29 April - Fri 5 July

T3: Mon 22 July - Fri 27 Sept

T4: Mon 14 Oct - Thurs 19 Dec

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Arrival Time at School

Just a gentle reminder that children should **not** be arriving at school before

8.15am

Featherston Christmas Parade 2024: This had previously been advertised locally as taking place on Friday 6 December. Being a school day, our school was unable to attend. Last week I got an email to say that it has been changed to **Saturday 7 December** (and rightly so!) and therefore we will VERY quickly get to organising a trailer and vehicle so that our school is represented in the parade as usual. Early next week, I'll send a notice home to all our families to see how many of our kidlets will be able to take part, and then we'll get something sorted in terms of theme and/or costumes.



Senior Room Overnigher: Every second year, the Senior Room has a one night 'overnigher' to finish off the year. Usually, it is here at school but this time Kerri has decided to take her Senior Room ākonga for an 'under canvas' experience down at the Bucks Road camping ground. They are all VERY excited (well, mostly anyway!) So now we start the process of hoping for REALLY GOOD WEATHER! This is such a great way for the class to finish off what has been a fabulous year!

End of Year Learning Achievement documents: These will come home to you on Friday 6 December. Please give them a good read before you come to the . . .

End of Year Learner/Parent Conferences: You'll have two days to choose your time/s for meeting with your child/ren's teacher/s – **Tuesday 10 December**, between 3.30pm and 7.15pm, or **Wednesday 11 December**, between 3.30pm and 5.15pm. As always, if you have more than one child in more than one classroom, please **make sure you leave a 15 minute break between your appointments** rather than side-by-side times across different rooms. Same room is fine. If you need help booking please contact Jo and she can help you with that. Go to the SkoolLoop app (see below) and select 'Bookings' then follow the prompts to select times.

Scooter Day for Junior Rm, LJR, and Middle Rm: We are so lucky to get a final scooter session with our beloved Constable Julie next week! She is retiring in the new year and we will miss her a load! All equipment is provided so there is no need to bring any scooters or helmets to school that day.

Ma te wā!
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 receive any important notices or emergency notifications: <https://www.skoolloop.com/> If you need help

Our Country Fair 'Happenings' . . .

Check out the pics below!



COMMUNITY NOTICES



The Wairarapa Quilters Guild are holding our exhibition in early July next year. As a part of our Matariki theme we are trying to encourage the next generation of quilters so are holding a competition for year 7 to 13 students.

There are two age groups: Intermediate (year 7 & 8) students, and College (year 9-13) students. Any child that either attends school in the Wairarapa/Lower Tararua region or is directly related to a current member of the Wairarapa Guild is eligible to enter.

The competition is to make a small Matariki themed quilt (more details in the attached doc).

First prize for each age group is a brand new sewing machine sponsored by Bernina and Evans' of Masterton. Evans' is also selling batting and backing fabric packs so students don't have to purchase excess of those they don't need.

Attached to this school's newsletter is a copy of the details of the competition and the entry form that my team are taking to all the schools in the district over the next couple of weeks. Please let me or any of the ladies listed on the info form know if there is anything we can do to help.

Best wishes,
Kelly Warriner-Simpson
Exhibition Co-convenor