

NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates

27th Oct H & S Halloween Disco 31st Oct Book Character Day 1st Nov Board of Trustees Meeting

7th Nov Whānau Night

8th Nov Upper Hutt Cultural Festival

17th Nov Teacher Only Day – School Closed 24th Nov Home and School Bring 'n' Buy

29th Nov-1st Dec Year 6 Camp 11th Dec Year 6 Social 14th Dec End of Term 4



From the Principal

Recent Staffing Appointments

The Board of Trustees are in the process of making appointments for 2024. We have two new positions due to some roll growth. We are excited to let you know that Yvonne Calder will be staying on at Fraser Crescent School, and she will now be a permanent member of staff. Furthermore, Summer Hicks who is currently doing a teacher training section in Room 5, will be joining us next year as she has a fixed term position with us for 2024.

Year 5 Camp

Last week our Year 5 children were away at the YMCA Kaitoke Camp. The children had a fantastic couple of days with lots of fun activities including kayaking, flying fox, orienteering, low ropes challenge, rock climbing, abseiling, and a campfire. This camp provided our students with a number of new and challenging experiences and is a great build-up in preparing them for our Year 6 Camp at Makahika. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents who joined us for the camp, as well as Becky, for the planning, and the staff who attended the camp. There is a huge amount of work that goes into planning and organising a school camp.

Teacher Only Day 20th October

I just want to thank everyone for their support by keeping their children home on Friday 20th October for the Teacher Only Day. It was a great day for the staff and allowed them to hear a number of informative speakers, as well as meet with colleagues from other schools across Upper Hutt.

Whānau Evening - Tuesday 7th November

On Tuesday 7th November we will be holding a Whānau Consultation evening. We used to run these events on an annual basis until Covid came along and interrupted things. This event will give all our parents, caregivers and whānau the opportunity to share their views about the school in a number of key areas. Consultation with our school community in the past has really helped to shape the direction of the school, ensuring that we partner together in the education of our students. Please save the date now, and more information will be sent home shortly.



School News

Home and School Meeting

Our Home and School committee met last week to plan the last of our fundraisers for the year. This includes a Halloween Disco on Friday 27th October, a Bring 'n' Buy event (more details to follow later in the term) on Friday 24th November, and we will shortly be selling our Fraser Crescent School tea towels. I would like to thank our amazing Home and School Association for all their hard work in planning and running these fundraisers.

Sun Smart

It's starting to get to that time of the year when we need to consider being more sun smart. In Terms 1 and 4 we require the children to wear a hat while outside. I recommend that they keep one at school, as often children forget to bring their hat to school each day. Covering up from the sun with sensible clothing is also a great idea. We have had children getting sunburnt from wearing singlet tops to school.



Student News

Senior Classes Collecting Donations

Our senior classes are after donations of old clothes, children's toys, towels, and old books. This is related to their inquiry topic this term about Community Heroes. Any of these items can be brought to Room 11. Thanks.

Ngā mihi nui,

John Channer - Next Newsletter 10th November 2023



A few photos from Year 5 Camp at YMCA Kaitoke







Fraser Time Chess

Coding Club

Lexi's Fraser Quest