

Tuesday, 14 February 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Term One has started extremely well with very focused learners and students demonstrating our school values in everything they do. Below are our National standards results for 2016 and some ideas to help our students achieve even better in 2017. We look forward to seeing you at the Meet the Teachers Forum, in the Hall from 5—7pm.

National Standards Results for 2016 are as follows:
(This shows the Percentage of students 'At or Above' National Standards)
Reading / Writing / Maths

	57%	60%	80%
After 1 Year at school	57%	60%	80%
2 Years at school	62%	59%	76%
3 years at school	68%	52%	53%
Year 4	82%	72%	72%
Year 5	74%	68%	76%
Year 6	66%	66%	60%
Year 7	74%	66%	71%
Year 8	72%	68%	58%
Overall school wide	70%	66%	70%
Previous year -2015	67%	64%	70%

National Standards reflect student achievement made by an overall teacher judgement—based on standardized testing, class assessments and work on a day to day basis. Many students have made significant growth moving from 'Well Below to Below' or 'Below to At' across a year or two years. This also doesn't reflect the most outstanding growth students have had in areas of personal growth, confidence, social skills, the Arts, PE and other learning areas.

It is vital that your child's progress and achievement is celebrated at home—what they can do and how far they have come. The more you can do for your preschoolers and school-age students, the better equipped they are for learning. Especially lots of Language— Talking, Reading and Discussing. If your family speaks another language at home, maybe you can have an English Only night to help everyone.

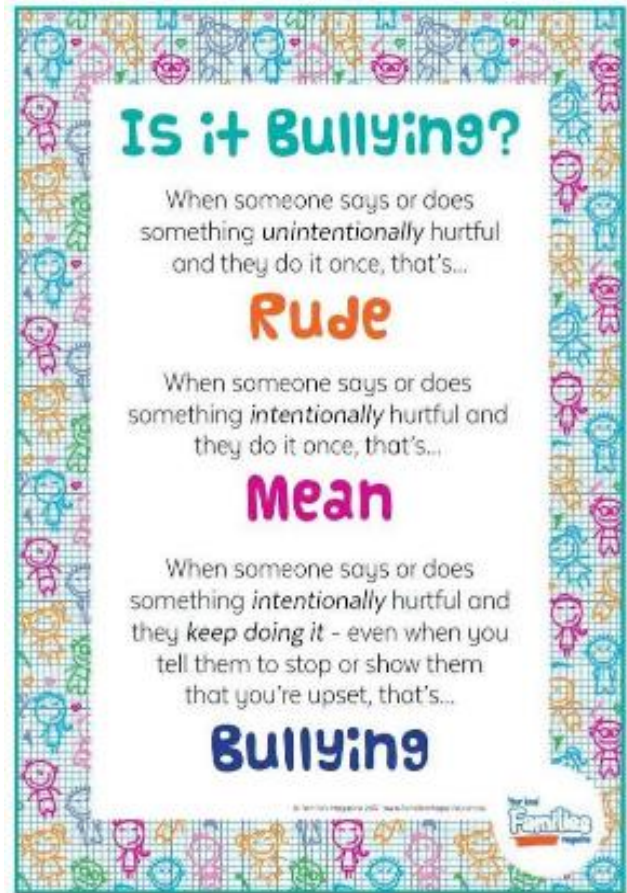
Please encourage your child to read every day—older children can also read online news and world events. With the younger ones—practice words, home readers, and their own books. Provide experiences—this doesn't have to cost lots of money; a picnic in the reserve or park, beach visits, making a tent in the backyard, family games like cricket or even a good board game. Sometimes, a nice walk after dinner sparks some great conversation and a better glimpse into your child's world. Together things that will help your whole family to feel great, sleep well and feel united.

We have some serious safety concerns regarding our students at Evanda Crescent. Over the last week, I have seen 3 children almost hit by cars. These children had seen their parents across the road and just ran—therefore we have created a place where all children and parents can cross. Can we please ask that you use all designated crossings, including the Walter Strevens Drive shops crossing.

Have a wonderful week everyone.

Kind Regards

Jan Robertson, Principal



Is it Bullying?

When someone says or does something unintentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's...

Rude

When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's...

Mean

When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they keep doing it - even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset, that's...

Bullying

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Filling lunch boxes

Protein is important for helping children grow and to sustain energy levels throughout the day.



Protein-rich ideas for lunch boxes:

- ♥ Cheese sticks, cubes or grated cheese -grated carrot and cheese is also a tasty sandwich combo
- ♥ Yoghurt
- ♥ Boiled eggs, in a sandwich or whole
- ♥ Lean meats: chicken or turkey, tuna, or salmon
- ♥ Dips such as hummus are ideal with vegetable sticks or crackers
- ♥ Cooked or canned chickpeas or falafel
- ♥ Homemade leftovers, roast chicken, tuna or bean pasta salad, pizza, chop suey, frittata etc.

For more lunchbox ideas visit www.fuelled4life.org.nz



Congratulations to the following students who have earned Principal's Awards for demonstrating our school values to a high standard:

- Demonstrating Excellence:** Mariken V.D . & Stella K.
Leadership & Responsibility: Maia B.
Demonstrating Honesty: Mackenzie B. & Aidan M.

2017 Activity Fees

These are being sent home today in addition to the Newsletter. Payment can be made online or in the school office. Thank you

2017 School Donation

\$160 (1 child) \$250 (2or more children)

Resilient people immediately look at the problem and say 'What's the Solution to that', 'What is this trying to teach me'

Meet the Teacher

Meet the Teacher—Parent Forums

****THIS THURSDAY** 16TH FEBRUARY**
5 –7pm in the Hall

This is an opportunity for parents to come to school to meet teachers and the Team their child is in.

Teams will share information about:

- Their team philosophy
- Team goals for 2017
- Their role within the team

This will take place in the hall and there will be a 20 minute slot for each team. Please take note that this is not a parent interview—if you have any issues you would like to discuss—please arrange an appointment at a later date through the school office staff.

Team Time-table as below:

5:00—5:20pm— Timata

5:30—5:50pm— Haemata

6:00—6:20pm—Whanake

6:30—6:50pm— Kotahitanga

***ICEBLOCKS FOR SALE*— FRIDAYS - \$1.50 EACH – COINS, THANKS!!**

Sushi is now available to order through the school office—orders need to be made and paid (cash only) by 12pm THURSDAY for FRIDAY lunch

Name: _____ CS _____

QTY		\$
4 pce	Chicken / Vege	4.50
4 pce	Salmon / Avocado	4.50
4 pce	Chicken / Avocado	4.50
6 pce	Chicken / Vege	6.50
6 pce	Salmon / Avocado	6.50
6 pce	Chicken / Avocado	6.50
	TOTAL	\$
	Ginger (please tick)	



We have a new sushi supplier this year – with lovely bigger pieces of sushi. Please pop your order and \$\$ in an envelope and leave in the order box at the office by 3pm Thursday.
Cash Only please – Exact Change is greatly appreciated.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

HELPERS STILL NEEDED (*Desperately*) 2-3 hours per term

We rely on a wonderful group of volunteers to operate our uniform shop and this enables us to keep prices low for our families. Are you able to assist in our Uniform Shop on a roster system? If you are available or have any questions, please contact the School Office.

As from 20 February: (due to a shortage of helpers)

Uniform Shop Hours are as follows:

MONDAY MORNINGS 8:30a.m. – 9:00a.m.

Outside of these hours orders may be left at the office.

TERM DIARY 2017

16 Feb	SCHOOL OPEN EVENING 5—7.00pm # MEET THE TEACHERS information/forum # (In the school hall)
20 Feb	New Entrant Intake 2
23 Feb	PTA Meeting 7pm in Staff Room— New Parents most welcome!
27 Feb	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
28 Feb	Year 5/6 Summer Sports Day
1 Mar	School Council Spirit Day
2 Mar	Year 5/6 Harbour Clean Up
10 Mar	Year 7/8 Swimming (North Counties reps)
13 Mar	Year 0-2 Life Education Van
14 Mar	Year 0-2 Life Education Van Year 3/4 Swimming– Massey Park Pools
17 Mar	Year 7/8 Swimming (Zone reps)
20 Mar	New entrant Intake 3 Year 3/4 Ak Museum Trip CS21 & CS22
21 Mar	Year 3/4 Ak Museum Trip CS18, CS19 & CS20
22/23 Mar	Year 0-2 Swimming at Massey Park Pools
27 Mar	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
29 Mar	School Council Games Day & Mufti
2 Apr	Daylight Savings Ends
3 Apr	New entrant Intake 4
12 Apr	School Council Anzac Activities Day
13 Apr	LAST DAY of Term 1
01 May	FIRST DAY of Term 2



A reminder that wearing Sun Hats is compulsory during Term 1 and 4— they are available for purchase through the School Office OR the Uniform Shop
Bucket Hats \$10 (Yr0-6) or Caps \$12 (Yr7-8)

Community Notices



Drury Utd Football Club (soccer) - registrations now open, teams to suit all ages & abilities, great coaches & development programmes. See our website for info www.druryfootball.co.nz or contact Angela at druryutdfootball@gmail.com



Literacy and Numeracy Skills for Everyday Life

For people wanting to improve their English language, writing and maths skills for everyday life, study or work. Study in our small friendly class with our experienced bilingual tutor (Punjabi/Hindi and English).

Start date: 6 March – 7 July
Class time: Monday and Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm
Duration: 16 weeks (6 March – 7 July, excl. holiday 14 – 28 April)
Location: Takanini Family Service Centre, 8 Oakleigh Avenue, Takanini

Want to know more and how to apply?

Come to one of our information sessions:

Where: Takanini Family Service Centre, 8 Oakleigh Avenue, Takanini

When: Friday 10 and 17 February 10am – 11am; and
Monday 27 February 10am – 11am

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*Free for NZ citizens and permanent residents-entry criteria apply