



"Raising the Bar"

Hello Tena koutou Talofa lava Fakaalofa atu Talofa ni
Malo e lelei Kia organza Ni sa bula vinaka Malo ni

Somerset Crescent School

On Track Team News

A big well done to our Rugby League team who represented our school at Takaro. We are all very proud of them for doing their best. They were URock and used good manners but best of all they had fun. Thank you to Pa Kiria and the Highbury Whanau Centre.

Down at Takaro they got some yummy treats and a drink! We also got an amazing top and hat. The top has a logo on it 'PACT' which stands for Positive Attitude Changes Today 4 tomorrow.

Defender of the day went to Alexey and attacker of the day went to Shaun.

by Benjamin
& Poasa



Sapphire Award Winners

- Room 2 - Harmony
- Room 5 - Puawai, Houston, Aaliyah, Rawiri, Jesse, Aye'Mahny, Amelie, Naomi, Hunter, Shaun, Johnathon
- Room 7 - Jhae, Andraez, Tahi, Lui, Shyla, Nevada, Nicolai, Koha, Amathyst, Tahlia, William, Bella
- Room 8 - Tipene, Cadance, Olivia, Francis, Kaloline, Julian
- Room 9 - Una-Dawn, Toiahi, Lyric, Taylor, Norman-Louis, Malaika, Daniel
- Room 11 - Micah
- Room 12 - He'len, Taneda, Arapeta, Ngataka, Loueni, Jaimee
- Room 41 - Nevaeh, Beau, Tevita, Shariah, Michael, Leyton, Kisione, Sone, Sela, Salome, Pita, Kassius, Kaydee, Fauvea, Karlee, Poasa, Le-Shaye, Kiahna, Eden-Tiare, Benjamin

U-ROCK Voucher winners:

- Rock:** Ofa Rm & Tevita - Rm 41
- On-to-it:** Logan & Sela - Rm 41
- Cooperation:** Heilala Rm 10 & Kiahna Rm 41
- Kindness:** Ripeka & Nikau - Rm 12

Playground Vouchers

awarded to:

- Samuel, Thomas & James - Rm 12
- Logan, Rua & Jahvarn - Rm 2
- Maihi - Rm 14
- Devon - Rm 5
- Kowhai - Rm 11
- Rleyah - Rm 9

Special Lunch with Mrs Johnson:

Haylo Rm 11 & Rawiri - Rm 5

Community Award:

Well done to Richard - Rm 14

Staff Star Award

Mrs Day received the Staff Star Award because she is such a wizz with technology and helps everyone a lot.



Kia Ora,

Welcome Back

Welcome back to school everyone and to Term 2. We had a beautiful start to our week, and term with a successful powhiri. Matua Shane and Whaea Pristine supported us during this process as we welcomed all our new students, and Whaea Z (Room 14), Whaea Tess (Room 11) and Mrs Irvine (Finance Manager).

Whanau Hui

Our 'Whanau Hui' was again a success. We chose to come together as a whole school instead of as teams this year. The focus was around 'Writing', and also around sharing valuable information about the importance of developing children's 'fine and gross motor skills'. The teachers had prepared information, ideas and resources to share with families. Parents were able to go to each teaching station and hear directly from staff about how they can go about supporting their children when learning from home. They had plastic pockets which they filled up with the resources that had been prepared for them. Thank you to all our whanau and children who attended this. We had three prize draws for families to win. Our winners this time were Cabriel Fuiava, Mercaedee Schou-Bevins and Bailey Taylor. Congratulations. Our next Whanau Hui will be early in Term 3 - keep an eye out for this wonderful opportunity.

Evening with the Principal - Learning more about how you can help your child be more successful at school

On **Thursday 17th May from 6-7pm** you can come to our staffroom and I will teach you about the...

- The Brain & how you can be part of improving its' development, &
- Valuable information about how important it is to develop our childrens' 'Foundation Skills' before we develop their 'Formal Learning Skills'.

(If you want to come to this evening with me please fill in the form that is included in this newsletter and send back to me asap so I know how many parents/caregivers will be attending this evening with me.

Hall's Values Ambassador

Karlee Winiata won our Hall's Ambassador Award last week. She is a true role model in our school, and community, and displays our UROCK values all the time. Karlee was picked up in the 'big rig' by the team from Hall's Transport. She received some goodies from the Hall's team in recognition of her, and the rest of Rooms 1 and 4 received hat's which they wore on the day. Congratulations Karlee.

Mother's Day

On Sunday, it is Mothers' Day, and I want to wish all our Mum's a lovely day and hope you are spoilt by your children and family.

Nga mihi nui
Teena Johnson
Principal/Tumuaki

Assembly

We would like to welcome Taniela, Taahua, Rome, Cristo and their families to the Somerset Crescent School community.

On Wednesday Room 12 presented assembly. It is Sign Language week and Room 12 showed us how to sign the alphabet. Well done Room 12.

They also presented the U Rock awards. Thank you for presenting assembly Room 12 U Rock!

Top Cat Class went to Room 41. U ROCK Room 41!

The next assembly is on **Wednesday the 23rd of May**. Room 1 will be presenting. See you there!

Just Brass

Just Brass was created to enable young people to experience the rich benefits of music, through individual and group learning, irrespective of family, school or community circumstances.

We are very excited to have this programme offered to us at Somerset Crescent. The children involved in this receive weekly music lessons and the opportunity to be part of a band. A huge thank you to the Salvation Army who is partnering with us to provide this amazing opportunity to our children.



Sign Language

This week is sign language week, so Mrs Day challenged us to learn some basic signs. We have learnt how to sign the alphabet, the days of the week and sign our names and our families names. We have loved learning how to communicate through sign. Ask us to show you what we have learnt. (If you would like to learn more sign language look up 'sign ninja' online or download the NZSL dictionary

Coming Events

14 th May	Public Health Nurse visits @ 12pm
18 th May	Pink Shirt Day - see notice next week
21 st May	Public Health Nurse visits @ 12pm
22 nd May	School Cross Country
23 rd May	Assembly @ 2pm - Room 1
28 th May	Public Health Nurse visits @ 12pm
30 th May	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm
4 th June	Queens Birthday - NO School

Sports News Player of the day for Yr 3-4 Netball was Apainga & Yr 5-6 Netball was Journey.

Basketball starts next Thursday the 17th of May, the draw will come out next week. Sports notices will be on the hall window and on facebook, so join up to keep up with whats going on.

Whaea Lyn.

Swimming

We have been so lucky this term to have been given the opportunity to send approx 130 students to participate in swimming lessons at the Lido. I would like to thank Zac Topping from Kelly Sports for providing the funding that has made this possible. It has been great to hear the positive comments from the teachers involved and to see the big smiles on the faces of the students when they return. I would also like to thank you, the parents for making sure your children are prepared and ready to go. It is so important that our students learn to swim and who better than fully qualified instructors to teach them.

Thanks
PE & Sport

Rugby League

On Tuesday I was given the opportunity to take a group of boys to Takaro school to finish off their Rugby League season. Although we did not win, they represented us with pride and were great ambassadors of our school. It was great to see a couple of parents there to support. I would like to thank Pa Kiria for all the work he has put into our boys. I would also like to thank Alisha and the rest of the team from HWC in association with Kia Ora Rugby League for their organisation. At the end of this season the boys were also lucky to receive a t shirt and a cap. The initiative behind this is PACT = Positive, Attitude, Changes. Today 4 Tomorrow. To the team I was so proud of you. There was so much talent, however our player of the days were -
Attack - Shaun
Defence - Alexey
The HWC player of the competition for Somerset - Benjamin
Thanks
Whaea Lisa

Maths Questions

This year we will be including some maths questions in our newsletter. The purpose of these questions is to get the whole whanau involved in maths and promote maths learning in homes. There will be a box in the office where your children can submit their workings and answers. At the whole school assembly a childs name will be drawn out of the box and receive a prize.

Answer one or all of the following questions and submit your workings and answers into the maths box in the office. Please ensure your name is clearly written on your entry. Please be warned that there are multiple different answers to these questions, this is why it is important to show how you worked out your answers.

Question 1: How old will you be in 10 years time: Please show your workings

Question 2: How old is everyone in your family? If you added all their ages together, what age would you get? Please show your workings.

Question 3: In 10 years time, how old will everyone in your family be? If you added all their new ages together, what age would you get? Please show your workings.

The prize will be drawn at the next whole school assembly on the 23rd of May.

Micro Teaching

Over the last 2 weeks we have had Massey student teachers come in and work with the Kahikatea Team. They have been doing mini math lessons with us and teaching us about fractions. We have really enjoyed having them in our classrooms and look forward to seeing them again next term.

Lunch on Line

The order will be delivered on Thursday the 7th of June. Place your order before this day or by 9am on the day. Orders will be delivered to school. To set it up find them on www.lunchonline.co.nz

Dental Treatment

The Dental team is now at our school. The therapists will be working their way around the classes checking on the childrens teeth. If you child brings home any forms to sign please do so and send them back to the school office

Public Health Nurse Visits

The Public Health Nurse visits our school on Mondays at 12pm. Ring school to book an appointment if you would like to see her. If she is not available and you are concerned about your childs health please let the office know and we can sen a referral for your child to Public Health at any time.

Pasifika Power UP Plus Manawatu

Pasifika PowerUP Plus is an education programme.

Pasifika PowerUP Plus actively supports Pasifika parents, families and communities to champion their children's learning.

Pasifika PowerUP Plus provides academic support for secondary and primary students. This programme is delivered at PowerStations located in community settings.

We are powering up to accelerate:

- 1) Early learning participation,
- 2) National Standards success, and
- 3) NCEA success

HOW DOES IT WORK?

WEEKLY PROGRAMME -

*PARENTS *SECONDARY *PRIMARY *EARLY CHILDCARE

FREE FEED

FREE MENTORING FOR STUDENTS - ASSESSMENT PREP

FREE ADVICE FOR PARENTS

REGISTER NOW: Papaioea Pasifika Community
Brown Park Havelock Ave, Palmerston North.

WEDNESDAY 9th May 2018 between 5pm and 6pm

Register your family to join one of these new
PowerUP Stations that are hitting the nation.

WORKSHOPS - Parents/Secondary/Primary/ECE
Start Wednesday

Let's not forget

The key to Pasifika PowerUP Plus is the strength and collective power of our parents, families and communities championing educational success.

Disability Car Park

A friendly reminder regarding the disability car park. Please keep this car park free for people who genuinely need it - if you have no disability card displayed on your windscreen please do not use this park. Thank you.

Lost

Please remember to check the new lost property bins next to Room 3 (out the back) if you have lost any items of clothing, shoes or socks.

School Facebook pages

Do have a look at our Kowhai, Rata and Kahikatea teams facebook pages. Each team has their own page and regularly put photos and exciting news of what is happening in their teams and around the school.

Search for them:

Somerset Kowhai Team

Somerset Rata Team

Somerset Kahikatea Team

SeatSmart

Did you know you can now recycle your expired or damaged child car seat? Around 90% of seat materials are recyclable which is great news for the environment and keeping expired car seats out of circulation is good for child safety. SeatSmart accepts any brand of capsule, booster or reversible car seat (no polystyrene boosters) for a small fee of \$5 (RRP).

For collection site details visit www.SeatSmart.co.nz. You can also like us on Facebook (SeatSmartNZ). Thanks to Palmerston North and Whanganui District Councils for their support.

LOST!

A red & black bike helmet has been lost - if you find it can you please return it to the office.

Has anyone a helmet they no longer need?? Can you drop it in to the office. Thank you.

Highbury Mixed Martial Arts

Mondays 5.30-6pm

Thursdays 5.30-6pm

FREE - from 5 years to Adults

Adults 6.30pm

at Bill Brown Park

PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for any reason.

Contact us on 3543274 or 0800 45 44 44 or text on 02108324514.

If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as truant.

If you have a change of address or your phone number changes, please let the office know.

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