



"Raising the Bar"

Somerset Crescent School

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

WINTER IS COMING!

With winter chills and ills on the way it is especially important that children know how to wash their hands correctly.

The recommendation is that for hand washing to be effective you need to wash your hands thoroughly for 20 seconds and dry your hands for 20 seconds.

Effective handwashing is a very good way to get on top of passing on bugs.



Sapphire Award Winners

Kayleigh, Filimoto & Tarquin - Room 2
Taulongo - Room 3
Wairua, Terewa & Hiasia - Room 5
Jahvarn, Kiahna, Kaydee, Arina & Benjamin - Room 8
Blake, Katie, Le'Shaye & Ayesha - Room 9
Benjamin, Jayrome, Kereta, Periti, William & Romeo - Room 11

Our Fantastic U-ROCK winners

Playground Vouchers

Awarded to:

NaeNae - Room 1
Nephi - Room 4
Darnell - Room 1
Daniel - Room 9
Aaliyah - Room 9
Sam - Room 8
Te Whana - Room 1
Cadance - Room 1
Anahera - Room 6
Jaesaiah - Room 11

Top Block is Room 11.
Well done!

U Rock Voucher winners:

Kowhai - Lui & Cadance Room 1
Rata - Alexey & Journey Room 9
Kahikatea - Margaret Room 11
Wipere Room 5

Staff Star Award is

Mrs Tootill, for all the extra work she has done with the new Health and Safety regulations.



Kia Ora

One more week until the school holidays! We look forward to seeing you next week at the Three way conferences. This is a great opportunity for you to let us know about your expectations of us with regards your child's learning. This way the partnership between us and the family is strengthened as we work together. We really value your feedback and thoughts. Please come along, if you haven't made a time it's not too late.

Remember the children will go home at 12.30 on Wednesday.

Next term you will be hearing some more about the Board of Trustees Elections. If you think you would like to be a Board member please come and see us as we have some information about this important role. We need parents to be on the Board of Trustees. If elected you will find it a rewarding role and one where you can make a difference for your child and the children at Somerset.

As a school we work very hard to ensure the safety of your children. If there is an incident at school and we are informed about it, we do follow up quickly and very thoroughly. As in adult life there are consequences for actions, which do vary according to the incident and the children involved.

As a UROCK school we continually promote and teach positive behavior and reward the children for this.

Robyn Tootill
Principal

Noho Marae Trip

Please return the permission form for next terms Noho Marae trip to the office asap. The Kowhai team is going for the day on the 25th of May, Rata team will be staying the night on the 24th of May and Kahikatea will be staying the night on the 23rd of May. Thank you to those who have already sent their forms back and paid for the trip.

Coming Events

13 th April	3 Way Conferences - Please Note school finishes at 12.30.
14 th April	3 Way Conferences - Normal finish time
15 th April	END of Term 1
2 nd May	START of Term 2
11 th May	Assembly 2.15pm, All welcome
23 rd May	Kahikatea Marae Trip - overnight
24 th May	Rata Marae Trip - overnight
25 th May	Kowhai Marae Trip - day trip

Assembly

We would like to welcome Rleyah and Tahi-James and their families to our school community.

Room 8 presented assembly this week. They showed us their amazing artwork. Well done Room 8. U ROCK!

Top Cat class was Room 5. Well done!

The next assembly is on the Wednesday the 11th of May. Room 6 will be presenting. See you there!



3 Way Conferences

These will take place next Wednesday the 13th and Thursday the 14th of April - please be sure to fill in your form with your preferred time and send it back to the office or ring the office to arrange an appointment.

Sports News

Players of the Day for League last week were Ben F & Izayah T. Well done boys, U ROCK! **League tonight is at 5.30 at the Arena - back grounds.**

Player of the day for Netball last week was Chloe. This week was Naomi U ROCK girls!

If you have put your name down for a sport for Term 2 please pay the \$25 sports fee at the office. Any current and outstanding fees are now overdue. Thank you to all those who have paid already.

School Photos

Orders have now closed for School photos. If you would still like to order a school photo/pack you will need to do this through Photolife directly. Phone them on 0800 501 040. Photos will arrive sometime in Term 2.



Public Health Nurse Visits

The Public Health Nurse visits our school on Mondays at 12pm. Ring to book an appointment if you would like to see her. If she is not available and you are concerned about your child's health please let the office know and we can refer your child to Public Health anytime.



Highbury Whanau Centre

Term 1, 2016 Holiday Program

Highbury Whanau Centre is running a low cost holiday programme from 18th to the 29th April from 9am-3pm with exciting, fun, structured and fully supervised activities. The Highbury Whānau Centre employs great care and risk management strategies in the delivery of its holiday programme and activities

The programme is made up of pro-active and pro-social activities that encourage healthy and positive relationships which are core themes in all HWC Social Service run programs. Your child will be engaged in physical, mental and creative activities which have been designed by qualified youth workers to encourage development in self-esteem, confidence, peer skills and most of all promotes fun!

The programme is for ages 7-14 and if you or your child are interested, a vibrant brochure is available at the school office or at HWC. **Bookings are Essential.** Contact the Highbury Whanau Centre on (06) 3580504 and ask for Sandra or email: admin@hwc.org.nz for more information.

ThursdayOrder Lunches

Please note the prices have gone up for most products on the Thursday lunch order list. NEW Prices as follows:

1 Sausage & chips (New)	\$4.00
1 Fish & chips	\$4.00
3 Nuggets & chips	\$4.00
1 Hot Dog & chips	\$4.00
Hot Chips	\$2.50
Hamburger	\$3.00
Cheeseburger	\$3.50
Fruit Drink	\$1.50
Calciyum Milk	\$2.00

Reminder - Your child can go to your Doctor for FREE up until the age of 13. Remember if your child is unwell or has sores you are worried about please take them to the Doctor. Some of these sores need antibiotics to clear them up and they are very contagious.

Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to success is to always try just one more time - Thomas A. Edison

Active Families is a *free programme* to help you and your family get active, and learn about healthy eating.

Every Thursday
Somerset Crescent School, Somerset Cres Palmerston North
3.45pm - 4.45pm (during the school term)

What you can get out of the Active Families programme:

- Creative ideas on how to get active with your whānau/family
- Access to weekly physical activity sessions
- Help with setting activity and eating goals

Contact:
Marcus Howie
Active Families Advisor
Sport Manawatu
06 3575349 ext 744
0274677127

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.

Dental Treatment

The Mobile Dental Unit is at our school to examine and provide preventative treatment (cleaning, fissure sealants, x-rays and fluoride treatment) where required for patients due for their annual check. Students requiring further treatment will be sent an information pamphlet, medical history update form and consent form. These will need to be **signed and returned** to either the Mobile or the school office before treatment is undertaken. If parents have any concerns or wish to be present at their child's appointment please contact the Dental team on 0276695115.

Administering medicine at school.

Just a reminder that if your child needs to be given medicine at school to please bring it to the office and sign the form required so the medicine can be kept safely in the medical room and given in the correct dosage and time by the office staff.

Housing Advice Centre Staff

Housing Advise Staff will be at Te Paatikitiki Branch Library, 157 Highbury Ave, on these dates. If you require assistance with a housing related issue including looking for rental accommodation come and talk to us.

On Thursday 1pm – 3pm:

March 17 th & 31 st	June 9 th & 23 rd
April 14 th	July 7 th
May 12 th & 26 th	August 4 th & 18 th

REMEMBERING THEM

For **ANZAC Day 2016** the Palmerston North City Library is facilitating the Harekeke Poppy project. They are looking for community involvement to weave over 2000 Harekeke flax poppy's - which will be dyed red and placed in the square as an installation of remembrance from April 22nd. You are invited to go and be part of the Harekeke Project. Attend one of the open weaving sessions on the Ground Floor of the Library:
Tuesday March 29th-10-30am-12pm
Friday 1st April - 2pm-4pm
Tuesday April 5th - 10.30-12pm
Friday 8th April - 2-4pm
Register your interest by email: remy.waldteufel-irvine@pncc.govt.nz
A plaque will be present next to the installation with all those who have contributed to the project acknowledged.

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