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Kia ora e te whānau,

This is our last newsletter of Term 2!

And what an unusual term it has been. I would like to thank you again for your support of our learners and school over the past twelve weeks. We have learned a lot as a school, challenged ourselves to support learning from a distance, and have grown immensely from the process. We have been affirmed in our belief that the wellbeing of our students and community is central to our success and we will continue to build strong relationships with our school whānau and grow together.

We hope that you have time over the term break to relax with your family, have some fun and spend time together - so important for the hauora and development of our children.

Term 3 is already shaping up to be a great one! We are looking forward to all the new opportunities it will bring and what we will discover!

Term 3 starts back on **Monday, 20th July**. Have a safe and happy break!

#### **Important Dates:**

- ➡ Last day Term 2 - Friday, 3rd July
- ➡ First day Term 3 - Monday, 20th July
- ➡ Learning Conversations - Tuesday, 28th July / Thursday, 30th July

Thank you to everyone who is helping our children to arrive once school is officially open at 8.30am. Please remind your children that if they arrive late to school, please check into the office before heading to class.

#### **Digital Newsletters**

We are moving to an online format for our Newsletter communication.

Acting on community feedback we collected last year, it seemed that most people prefer to read our newsletters on their digital devices rather than paper. Mostly we hear that these end up living with the unwanted apple cores in the bottom of school bags!

Communication is very important to us, and although we may not always get it right, we want to be responsive to our community and do what works for you to get our messages out.



**"Making a Positive Difference"**

The purpose of our newsletter is to give you a heads up on changes and things happening around the school, but also it's a chance to celebrate our amazing learners and their learning.

We hope that you find our new format easy to read and navigate. As we make better use of this tool over the coming weeks, your newsletter items will contain videos, links and images that will bring richness to the stories you read and help you get a better idea of what is happening here at school. There is also a feature that uses Google Translate to change all text in our newsletter to a huge number of different languages. In a diverse, multicultural community such as ours - this is a great feature!

We will also have several printed copies of our newsletters available at our school office should anyone still need a hard copy.

So have a click around and see what you think. Later in the year we will put out a survey to see what you think of the new format.

### Creativity Takes Flight

We would like to thank Waikato Diocesan School for Girls for their generous contribution to our Junior school.

Year 10 Fashion and Design students from Waikato Diocesan created beautiful wing costumes for our Junior school students as part of their community connections project. The wing costumes are to be used as part of our play-based learning as our learners explore characters, imagination and include this in their storytelling. We have enjoyed seeing these beautiful bursts of colour around our school environment and look forward to seeing what our learners do with them.





### Whānau News

We like to share important events that happen in the lives of our school family.

Our thoughts are with Nikorn and his family as they go through an incredibly sad time. Earlier this week, Nikorn's daughter sadly passed away.

I know that over the years, our amazingly smiley, warm and caring caretaker (Mr Nikorn to our kids) has met many of you, and I'm certain you will join us in sending him love and support as his family goes through this incredibly tough time.



### PJ Day Donations

Thanks for making a positive difference, Silverdale!

Look at the mountain of PJ's, underwear, dressing gowns, socks and toys going up to Waikids! This is going to make a huge difference to the children who receive care up in their unit at the hospital. We've been told by the team at Waikids that because of the generosity of the Silverdale community, children receive some much needed warm, comfy PJs. You could imagine the difference this makes if you're not feeling well.

Thanks again to everybody who generously gave to this cause. The money raised also went towards additional PJ's to donate.

Thanks to our amazing PTG who helped coordinate our PJ day.

### Using Classes - NZ Sign Language (NZSL)



Interested in learning more about one of NZ's official languages? Check out these classes.

Classes from Beginners through to Advanced starting in Term 3.

Email [kelly@usign.co.nz](mailto:kelly@usign.co.nz) for more information or to apply.

### Learning Conversations - Term 3

A chance to talk together and set goals for the rest of the year.

- ➔ Tuesday, 28th July: Bookings from 3.15 - 5.30pm
- ➔ Thursday, 30th July: Bookings from 3.15 - 7.30pm

At this conversation we will have a chance to talk together (parent, child and teacher), reflect on the learning that has happened in the year and set some goals for the remainder of 2020. Thank you to everyone who filled out the "What we learned about our children" sheets in Term 2 that summarised your observations of your children over the lock down period. This learning is important to us and we want to add it to the big picture as we set goals and continue to work together. All learning conversations are held in your child's classroom. We encourage you to bring your child to these conversations so they can be part of the goal setting and reflection process.

By clicking on the link, you'll be taken to our [School Interviews Booking site](https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) ([www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)), enter the booking code: **2ka6u** - you can book your time with your child's teacher. We're looking forward to meeting with you!



### International Connections

Supporting our growing global awareness - some Room 14 students are growing connections with a school in China. We made connections with Nanyang Fangcheng Experimental School in [Nanyang City, China](#). It has been great to start to get to know some of the children and ask them questions about what life is like where they live. The children were very keen to ask us about our experiences in lockdown and how we're doing now.



They had heard amazing stories about the way New Zealand has done so well in getting on top of the virus. We hope to continue our connection in the future and talk again. It would be great to hear more about their school and different ways kids relax where they live.



**"Making a Positive Difference"**





### Music lessons will be back!

Piano, guitar and ukulele lessons are returning to Silverdale. More information including how to register will be out shortly. Sadly, Aaron has had to finish up as one of our music tutors here at school. We have been talking to Sam Trenwith from **Music House** and are just finalising the details about how they can work with us for the remainder of the year and provide excellent music lessons to our students. More details on how you can get your learner involved will be sent out via our Facebook page and school app when they become available.



### Atlas Donation

Last Wednesday, we were very lucky to have a visitor in Room 1. Mr Francis Charlton came to present us with a class set of atlases, donated by the Rotary Club of Hamilton East. He stayed



and talked to us for a while about school and learning, and we all had a chance to explore our new books. It was very exciting and we are very grateful for the gift. These atlases will be well used and well loved.



### PTG News

- ➡ **End of Term Sausage Sizzle Lunch** - Thanks to everyone who has supported our lunch fundraiser. Orders have now closed. Orders will be delivered to your child's class at lunchtime on Friday.
- ➡ **Pyjama Day collection for Waikids** - Thanks to everyone who donated to our Pyjama Day collection for Waikids at the Hospital. We collected 44 pairs of pyjamas, 3 dressing gowns, 26 undies, 6 pairs of socks, 4 soft toys and 1 pack of pencils. We also raised \$279 in cash, which we used to buy another 28 pairs of pyjamas. Thanks to the The Warehouse in Hillcrest for giving us a discount on our pyjama purchase.
- ➡ **Oxford Pies** - Keep an eye out in Term 3 for our popular Oxford Pie fundraiser.
- ➡ **Next Meeting** - Tuesday 4th August, 7pm, school staffroom. All welcome.
- ➡ **Keep in touch:**
  - Like our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/silverdalenormalschoolptg>.
  - Join our Facebook Group: "[Friends of the PTG - SNS](#)"
  - Messenger: [m.me/silverdalenormalschoolptg](https://m.me/silverdalenormalschoolptg)
  - Email: [ptg@silverdale.school.nz](mailto:ptg@silverdale.school.nz)



### Berkley Middle School

Berkley Student Enrolment Packs for the 2021 school year have been delivered to our school and will be issued to year 6 students before the end of the week.

Prospective students and parents are invited to attend a Berkley Normal Middle School Information Evening on Wednesday, 5th August from 6.00 to 7.30pm. This evening is structured for prospective parents and students to be informed about the extensive range of programmes on offer at Berkley. Parking will be available on their backfield if conditions allow.

Please note: Out of Zone Enrolments are welcomed and must be with the School office by Wednesday, 26th August.

### Lost Property

The bins, located beside Room 6 are overflowing with clothing - please come and check for your children's missing socks, shoes, jerseys, jackets and more before the end of the term. All unclaimed lost property at the end of the week will be sent to charity.

### Yummy Apples

Winter is a great time to be eating Yummy apples, there are so many different varieties to choose from right now. Yummy Apples will be running a couple of school holiday competitions on their social platforms, so look out for those on both facebook and Instagram. Remember to keep collecting the stickers for our school over the school holidays and through to the end of next term.

Sticker sheets can be downloaded from their website <https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz>



### PhotoLife

#### School Photographs

School Photographs were taken 12th June and photo key codes for online ordering were given to children to bring home last Wednesday. If your child was away on the day, the photo keys were held at the School Office until he or she returned to school. Our school's free delivery period expires at midnight on the last day of the school holidays, Sunday, 19th July 2020. Please ensure you place your order before this date.

### Additional Clothing in your Child's School Bag

Can you please ensure you continue place a change of clothing in your child's school bag. We often have children slipping over and requiring a change during the school day at this time of the year. It is much easier if we have extra clothing on hand, rather than try to locate a parent who is often working during the school day.

### Hockey Fee Invoices

Please look for an invoice in your child's schoolbag today, if he or she has enrolled in hockey for next term and has not yet paid the fee.





## Fête de la Musique

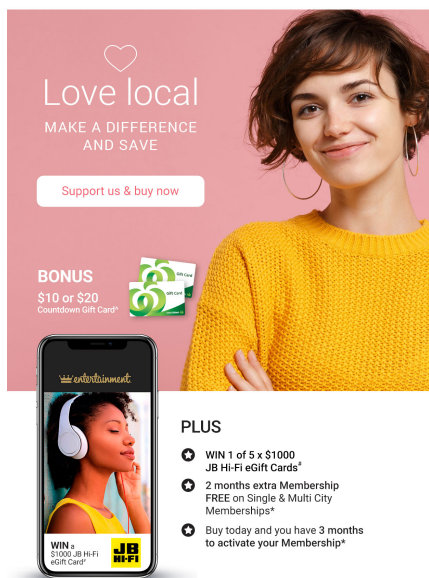
As is the tradition on World Music Day, our students were urged to take up the challenge on our recent pyjama day and 'have a go' at playing a musical instrument during our morning tea break.

The sun was shining and it was great to see that a number of our students had brought their instruments from home and were demonstrating their musical talents to the masses.





Thank you for your continued support. There has never been a more important time to support us with our fundraising. 20% of every Entertainment Membership goes directly to our cause.



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## Entertainment Book

School holidays are nearly upon us, and this time NZ is open for business. This is a great time to support us and buy an Entertainment Membership. Everyone who purchases a Membership by 13th July will receive a **\$10 or \$20 Countdown Gift Card**, and a **chance to Win a \$1000 JB Hi-Fi eGift card!** There's also a Bonus 2 Months extra added to all Memberships purchased before 13th July, to acknowledge the time in lockdown we have just been through.

If you know of any families who might like a current membership please feel free to share the link below with your friends and family:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/155y154>

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Ditch the dishes and dine for less during these school holidays.

## SQUIGGLE - We're Opening! July School Holiday's: 6th – 17th July 2020

Squiggle are pleased to be opening for the July holiday's which are coming up very quickly! Our theme is about Aotearoa and we'll be learning about Matariki, performing waiata and haka, doing fun STEM challenges, cool arts and crafts, games and

heading off to 10-Pin Bowling and Leap!

Enrolments are open now –

[www.squiggle.org.nz](http://www.squiggle.org.nz). If you have any queries, please contact Katrina on 0279093903 or [katrina@squiggle.org.nz](mailto:katrina@squiggle.org.nz). \*\* Please note the holiday programme operating is subject to numbers\*\*

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**Recreational Gymnastics Timetable 2020 Term 3 (20th July - 26 September 2020)**

Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9.30 AM						Weekas 3 to 5 yrs old
10.30 AM						Keas 5 to 8 yrs old Kakapos 8 to 12 yrs old
11.30 AM						Weekas 3 to 5 yrs old
4 PM	Keas 5 to 8 yrs old	Tuis Advanced 5 to 8 yrs old	Keas 5 to 8 yrs old	Pukekos Advanced 8 to 12 yrs old	Keas 5 to 8 yrs old Kakapos 8 to 12 yrs old	
5 PM	Kakapos 8 to 12 yrs old	Pukekos Advanced 8 to 12 yrs old	Kakapos 8 to 12 yrs old	Tuis Advanced 5 to 8 yrs old	Weekas 3 to 5 yrs old	
6 PM		Fantails Tumbling 5 to 8 yrs old		Falcons Pre-Competitive 5 to 8 yrs old		

NOTE: An assessment by our coach will be done before acceptance into Advanced Classes.  
Got any questions or need any help?

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