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Dear Parents,

ERO Visit

Last week was a big week, welcoming the ERO team to our awesome school. It was great to be able to show them all the reasons why we love this place and why the students are doing so well. The team saw settled, happy learning environments where children are engaged in learning. A big thank you to all the parents who came and told their stories at the parent meeting last week - it was a humbling experience to hear how much you feel valued and supported - thanks!

Kapa Haka

Last Friday, 31st September, a selection of our kapa haka performance group were excellent ambassadors for our school. The year 4, 5 and 6 students attended the He Tai Ohinga Maro Festival at Hillcrest High School and were involved in the pōwhiri at the start.



They were privileged to be in the audience and see examples of kapa haka performances from a range of schools. There were inspiring performances by some of the high schools and our students were mesmerised and appreciative. They also got to join in on some fun quiz games during the transitions. It was an engaging and informative opportunity for our children to hear and watch some of the songs they have learned, performed in different ways by other primary schools, see the polish and skill of the high school performances, and to feel a connection with our wider community in our Kāhui Ako.

"Making a Positive Difference"

Whakapapa

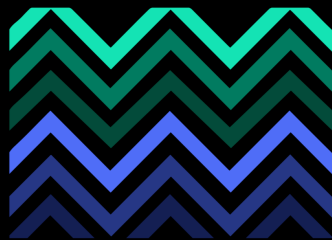
One of our guiding principles that is starting to shape our school is the idea of Whakapapa.

To our school this means hearing from our community and responding to your needs and desires for your learners. We know how important it is that your voice is heard - you know your children best after all! Thanks to all the families who took the time to contribute to our school survey over the past few weeks - your voice is so important and we will use your thoughts to help us map out our way forward in reporting, newsletters and general communication.

You are always welcome to express your thoughts and dreams for your learners with us. Feel free to contact your child's classroom teacher (email addresses are on our app and website) or call our office to arrange a time to meet with either myself or one of our Deputy Principals.

Whakapapa

Being responsive to our whānau and community provides our students with a strong sense of belonging, and a safe and welcoming environment.



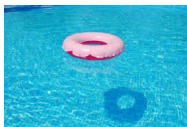
Knowing who I am

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Classroom Item - Room 13

Room 13 has been doing an inquiry into "How images promote or communicate a message". We have had lots of different experiences including sculpting, painting and writing whilst listening to different types of music, capturing images through photography, unpacking photographs and the message they tell, as well as writing about the messages evoked through colour. Here are some of our experiences below :

Gold is the colour of the sun shining on my face.
Gold is the colour of sand tickling my feet.



Cyan is the colour of tears in an emotion.
Cyan is the colour of water in our swimming pool.



Orange is the colour of fire stealing oxygen and blazing at high heats.
Orange is the colour of the sun climbing high, and making the earth hot.



Red is fire peppers, Red is the sun, Red is cherries, Red is anger.



Duffy Books in Home 'Caught Being a Good Dad'

Hunter Leigh (Room 11) has won the book 'Rugby Trivia' for her dad, Justin Scarlett. Well done!

Yummy Apple Stickers

We would like to ask you to continue to collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for our school's share of the \$200,000 free DG Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World, Pak'n Save and participating Four Square stores. Please get going and bring your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers to the School Office! Sticker collection sheets are available from the School Office. All stickers for this year's allocation of sports equipment must be in by Thursday, 27th September 2018 (last week of Term 3).



Ashton Scholastic Book Club Orders - Issue 6

The last day for placing orders is Friday, 14th September.

School Assembly - Week 7, Term 3

- ➔ 9.00am Friday, 7th September - Rooms 12, 17, 14, 3, 16, 2 and 15 - Room 14 will be presenting an assembly item.

PTG News

- ➔ **Loud Shirt Day - Friday, 21st September.** Loud Shirt Day is the annual appeal of **The Hearing House** and **The Southern Cochlear Implant Paediatric Programme**, two charities dedicated to enabling deaf children with cochlear implants or hearing aids to listen and speak like their hearing peers. Wear your loudest shirt (or fancy dress) that day and bring a gold coin donation for the appeal.
- ➔ **End of Term Pizza Lunch - Friday 28th September.** Order forms to accompany this newsletter. Please place orders and money into the PTG box beside the children's counter in the office. Orders in by 9.00am on Wednesday, 26th September.
- ➔ **Save the Date! PTG AGM** - Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, 18th October. 7.00pm is the AGM, followed by our regular meeting at 8.00pm. We encourage you to come to the AGM. Supper will be provided and you can hear about what we have been doing over the past year.
- ➔ **Save the Date! Term 4 Disco** - Thursday, 15th November.
- ➔ **Save the Date! Year 6 Leavers Dinner** - Thursday, 6th December. If anyone would like to be part of the organising committee, please contact us at ptg@silverdale.school.nz
- ➔ Want to get in touch with us? Please email ptg@silverdale.school.nz or join our facebook group "[Friends of the PTG - SNS](#)".

Spare Clothing

Again this week we have had numerous children falling over in the wet and the mud with no spare clothing in their bags. It is imperative at this time of the year that children carry a spare set of clothing in their school bags. Please put some spare underwear, trousers and top in a plastic bag in your child's school bag tonight. Parents are often working, and it is much easier to have some clothing on hand than to be having to leave work to provide additional clothing.



Project Energise Nuggets

This term our nutrition nuggets are focused on label reading – a very handy skill to have! Supplied by Renee Mouat – Energiser

Lost Property

Please come and check the lost property clothing in the children's foyer of the School Office as all unclaimed clothing at the end of the term will be donated to charity.

Internet Health and Wellbeing Presentation for the Hillcrest Kāhui Ako Community with John Parsons

We are very fortunate to have John Parsons, New Zealand's leading authority on safeguarding children online and author of 'Keeping Your Children Safe Online', visiting our area later in September. John will be holding a community workshop for parents and whānau from our Hillcrest Kāhui Ako between 7.00 and 8.00pm on the evening of 20th September at the Tamahere Community Hall.

The Community Workshop is on **Raising Resilient Capable Children** and will focus on **cyber safety** for our tamariki. The cost is \$5.00 per person. The workshop will:

- ➔ Identify the specific challenges children face when using ICT.
- ➔ Include guidance on behaviour management processes for parents in the practical situations they will face.
- ➔ Empower parents to take responsibility for safeguarding their children/tamariki.
- ➔ Provide tools to support our children/tamariki in how to use ICT safely and ethically at home and at school.

Please note this workshop is not suitable for children.



Hockey Results - Saturday, 1st September

Silverdale Leopards	drew 3-3	Player of the day: Tumanako
Silverdale Lions	BYE	
Silverdale Pumas	won 2-1	Players of the day: Cailyn and Aurora
Silverdale Tigers	lost 1-5	Players of the day: Lucy and Shaeden (finished 2nd in pool)
Silverdale Panthers	won 2-1	Children received a certificate at the final game

All players need to wash and return their uniforms to Miss Wilson in a clearly named bag if you have not already done so.



Michael Harrop - Principal