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Dear Parents,



Global Schools Partnership Programme

As a school we welcome Ashikin Aziz from our partner school, Wellington Primary in Singapore! Ms Ashikin will be part of the learning team in Room 1 for the next few days, learning about our education system here in New Zealand and working alongside Miss Meling. She will be sharing with our learners all about Singapore and continuing building the relationship that we started earlier in the year when Teri and I visited Singapore. A great opportunity for us to make global connections and increase our understanding of the world.

Speech Finals

On Thursday, 22nd November, the senior school students were treated to a very entertaining morning as we listened to the Silverdale Senior School speech finalists for 2018. With a range of topics that included humour, interesting facts and persuasive language, it was always going to be a tough decision for the two judges. The judges could not separate the Year 6 winners Zoe and Jamin, who were awarded first equal place. Karyse was second place with her speech. The Year 5 winner was Orko, second place Ashika and third place Devin.

In Room 12, our English Language Learners and Year 4 students had an opportunity to share their speeches, with Ishaan winning the ELL section and Nil second place. The top Year 4 student was Rowan with Max receiving second place.

Thank you to all the students who participated and to Jo, Bernie, Sheana and Kathy who gave up their time to be our judges.







Junior Athletics Morning

Last Friday we held our
Junior Athletics Day. This was
an opportunity for the
children to showcase their
running, jumping and
throwing skills that they have
been practising as a class. It
was great to see so many
people here supporting an
cheering on their children. A
great time was had by all.



Assembly this Friday - 9.00am

- → There will be a whole school assembly under the canopy if the weather is fine.
- → If it is wet, only Rooms 11, 1, 13, 8, 6/7, 9 and 4 in the Student Commonroom
- → Room 11 will be presenting an assembly item.

PTG News

- ◆ End of Term Lunch: Wednesday, 12th December. American Hotdogs. Order forms went home on Monday. Orders in by Friday, 7th December please.
- ◆ Friday Iceblocks: Mini popsicles (\$1.00) and juicies (\$1.50) will be on sale every Friday after school at the main gate.
- ◆ Ruakura Christmas Market: was held last weekend. Claire Dowsett ran a stall and raised over \$150.00 for the PTG. Thanks to Claire, Maddy and Isla Bennett; and to Diana and Gerry Gander for the donation of seedlings and venus fly traps. Great work!
- ◆ Interschool athletics: the PTG will be selling water and ice blocks at athletics on Friday. Come over and say hi if you are there.

Classroom Item - Room 11 - Wheels Day

A group of seven children have been making a positive difference in our Silverdale Normal School.

We were lucky enough to have visitors come and talk to us in Room 11 about the homeless and their needs. This gave us an idea to start a fundraiser to raise money to donate to the homeless, 'The People's Project'. We want to help raise money for The People's Project to help the homeless get off the street, be clothed and have food. Wheels Day is an opportunity for the kids to ride their bikes, skateboards, scooters etc in the school grounds to fundraise for this important project. By Baxter, Liam, Lachie, Nathan, Scott, Hunter Leigh and Hamoodi.



Upcoming Events

- * Friday, 30th November Inter-school Athletics
- * Wednesday, 5th December Parent Helpers Morning Tea at 10.35am in the staffroom
- * Thursday, 6th December Junior Christmas Fun Day and Year 6 Leavers Dinner
- * Friday, 7th December, Road Patrol Fun Day Out and Champions Christmas Production
- * Tuesday, 11th December Senior Day Out
- * Thursday, 13th December Final Assembly starting at 1.00pm. Reports will be sent home.
- * Friday, 14th December Last day of school we finish at 12.30pm

Scholastic Book Club - Issue 8

Final publication for 2018 - orders must be in by this Friday, 30th November.

2019 Enrolments

If you have a pre-schooler who will be turning 5 next year, who is not already preenrolled, could you please contact Priscilla Thatcher at the School Office.



School Donation

With the end of the year looming we would really appreciate any outstanding school donations. The school donation is set at \$25.00 per term, per child. To those of you who have already paid your school donation this year, thank you.

Cultural Night

Our annual Cultural Concert evening was a huge success this year with performances from the Kapa Haka performance group, Pasifika group and choir.

Children also celebrated their learning, performing musical items solo or in small groups using a huge range of different instruments!

Parents and whānau filled Hillcrest Chapel and the children performing received warm applause from the people watching in the audience. A highlight this year was when the Pasifika group selected members from the audience to join in on stage! This community evening is the culmination of a lot of practise by students and their tutors. We are also very lucky to have our valued staff member, Priscilla Thatcher, coordinate this event.









FEED! Trust Cafe Feedback

The FEED! Trust Cafe and program was started to provide food for high school and primary school students in our community. Please give us your feedback, to let us know how it is meeting needs and also how to get you more involved. You may remain anonymous or provide us with contact details at the end of the questionnaire so that we can get back to you. The URL is https://tinyurl.com/FEED-2018feedback

Feedback will be closed at 12.00 noon on Monday, 5th December.

Energise Nuggets

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

Michael Harrop - Principal



Community Notices

Christmas Family Night at Bunnings - Hamilton South. This is a community event - please note that if the weather is not friendly then we will have to cancel the bouncy castle, mini jeep rides and hot air balloon. Let's hope for a good weather \bigcirc



