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Dear Parents

MEGA DISCO

Last Friday marked the beginning of the MEGA DISCO! And what an amazing event this was! One of the biggest events we have had at school and so many families came to support us. I'd like to thank the PTG for making this happen - it was such a great idea! Thank you for all your hard work in organising the event and giving us an opportunity to gather together as a school and continue to build our school whānau. Thank you to all the staff for working hard on their stands throughout the evening and making the Mega Disco happen. Thanks to Cat Girl and Panda Guy (our resident DJs) for their tunes and energy! Special thanks to Clyde, Freda, Stefan and Tash Lipsey for their effort with the train!! How amazing to have a working train at school - the kids (and staff!!!) loved it; and of course, thank you to all our parents and whānau who came out for the evening at school and supervised their children - I hope you all enjoyed yourselves as much as I did.



Duffy Assembly

Last Thursday we were visited by Stacey Waaka, a Black Ferns Sevens player, World Cup champion, Olympic silver medalist and Commonwealth medalist. She shared with us her passion for sport and how reading became a big part of her life as a teenager. It helped her through her study and has been important to help develop her career. Stacey taught us a new Duffy jingle and presented Duffy books to two lucky children from each class, signing their books too!



"Making a Positive Difference"



Holi Festival

Last Friday, we had our Holi festival. As a junior syndicate, we all celebrated and had fun with the different types of coloured powder. It was an awesome experience

where students had the opportunity to get involved with lots of colour and water, and learn a bit more about the festival. Even Mr Harrop joined in! A big thank you to the lovely Mala Sharma who helped organise this amazing event, it would not have been possible without you. We all had a great time!



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

KIDS ON BIKES

Next week, our seniors are very lucky to have the opportunity to learn how to use a bike safely thanks to the KIDS ON BIKES initiative. Unfortunately, not everyone has a bicycle and/or helmet they can use. (No helmet, no riding!). Can you help with the loan of a bike and helmet from Tuesday the 9th of April to the afternoon of Thursday the 11th of April? Please let Mr Taylor know or email: brentt@silverdale.school.nz



PTG News

Disco - was a great success! A huge thanks to all parents and teachers who helped on the night. We couldn't run events like this without you.

End of Term Lunch - Friday, 12th April. We will be selling hotdogs. Order forms went home last week. Orders need to be in by Wednesday, 10th April. Please place orders into the PTG box beside the children's counter in the office. For internet banking, please deposit payment into "Silverdale Normal School Parent Teacher Group" Westpac, 03-1559-0019428-00 and return form to the box.

Tupperware - Thanks to all those who ordered Tupperware through our fundraiser. We raised \$130.00.

Want to get in touch with us? Please email ptg@silverdale.school.nz or join our facebook group "[Friends of the PTG - SNS](#)".

"Making a Positive Difference"

Next meeting will be in Term 2: Thursday 9th May.



Request

Kia ora Silverdale community - Room 14 is trying to build whanaungatanga and make lunchtime more fun, by painting some games on the pavement throughout the school (e.g. target practice, snakes and ladders, twister).

We would like to know if anyone in our community knows someone, or is someone who could help paint these



games onto our pavement at our school. We would require special concrete paint, which won't wash off. If you would like to help in a different way, we would also like to see if anyone could please donate some money, so we can afford to pay for the paint. To contact our teacher please email, chloes@silverdale.school.nz
Thank you for reading. Yours sincerely, Room 14.

2019 Hockey Season



Tomorrow, Thursday, 4th April, is the final day we can accept Return Slips for children wishing to play hockey this year. Games are played every Saturday for the duration of Term 2 and the majority of Term 3. By returning your child's slip you are agreeing to commit to the team for the entire season and pay the relevant fees to the school. At this stage we have no offers of help to coach any of our teams. If we do not receive any offers, we will not be able to go ahead with team entries for the 2019 season. Coaching at Mini hockey level does not require a vast hockey knowledge and Ms Goudie is more than happy to provide support and guidance where required.

Champions Programme

Kia ora families of Silverdale Normal School! We are excited to kick off Champions for 2019 at the beginning of next term. Champions is our Christian religious education programme run during Friday lunch times. Champions is run by a vibrant team of volunteers from our local community, teaching life values through engaging Bible stories and fun games. We had such a blast last year and can't wait to be back!

Civil Defence Brochure

A free copy of Hamilton City's Civil Defence Brochure accompanies today's school newsletter. This relates to events such as flooding, storms, landslides, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tsunamis, pandemics, drought, urban and rural fires, hazardous waste, power blackouts and infrastructure failures. It provides a household emergency checklist and household emergency plan, together with many agency contact telephone numbers. Read it carefully and be ready in the case of any emergency.



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Measles Immunisations Reminder

- Measles can be a serious disease which is caused by a virus. It is very easy to catch and immunisation is the only way to prevent measles.
- Parents are encouraged to make sure their children's immunisations are up to date – catch up immunisation is free.
- If you're unsure about whether your child has had MMR immunisation, or you can't find your records, you can check with your Well Child Tamariki Ora provider or Well Child book, or contact your family doctor. Combined measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) immunisation is the only vaccine available to prevent measles in New Zealand.
- Please ensure people who may be infectious – whether it be measles, 'flu, gastro, or something else to stay home in isolation so they do not pass whatever they have on to others until they are well (or cleared to return)
- Remember hand hygiene and cough/sneeze etiquette.



Entertainment Book

Support our school and purchase your new Entertainment Membership from our School Office. The 2019/2020 memberships have exclusive offers for everything you love to do. It's their best membership yet, packed with amazing offers for activities, attractions, shopping, travel and all kinds of tasty treats - from cool cafes to fabulous fine dining. Purchase a book from the school office or digital membership for \$65.00. Order online by visiting www.entbook.co.nz/155y154



Michael Harrop - Principal

Community Notices

Plan Ahead - Knighton Twilight Cultural Festival

Thursday, 11th April from 3.30 to 6.30pm Experience ethnic food, crafts and performances. Come along with some spending money and enjoy the family-friendly fun.



School Holiday Pony Rides

Tuesday, 23rd and Wednesday, 24th April from 9.00am until 1.00pm. Hamilton RDA Indoor Arena, 1340 Pukete Road. Half hour pony and horse rides, just \$20.00. Bookings essential. Phone or text 0275 426732. All proceeds go towards the running of our RDA programme.

Varsity Taiho Junior Rugby - Registration/Weigh-in and training)

Ages 5 – 10, Thursday, 2nd May from 3.30 – 5.00pm in the fields below the Waikato Uni pool. Students require a copy of a birth certificate or passport, subs are \$25.00. Contact beforehand Billy Cribb on 027 8583111 or bill@clb.co.nz

