## Newsletter 11/2019



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Dear Parents

Welcome to term 2! A special welcome to all the new families who joined us this week - welcome! We're happy to have you here! Don't forget to download our app (search for Silverdale Normal School in Play Store or App Store) and like us on Facebook to stay up-to-date with school events and information.

## Teacher Only Day this Term

Our school is part of a group of schools called the Hillcrest Kāhui Ako (Community of Learning) including both Berkley and Hillcrest High School. On Friday 14th June (Fielday's Friday) all schools in our Kāhui Ako will have a combined teacher only day. All teachers in our area will be joining together for a day of learning and professional development, aimed at increasing cohesion across our schools. Thank you for making alternate plans for your children for this day as school will not be open as usual.

## ANZAC Day

Silverdale Normal School was proudly represented by Cailyn and Scott at the Civic Service on ANZAC day. They placed a wreath on behalf of the school (created by our very own Megan Coffin from The Little Things) along with students from schools throughout Hamilton. Scott proudly wore with Grandfather's medals that he had received from taking part in the Korean war. It was a very moving service that we were proud to be a part of.

## Notification of Paid Union Meetings

As you are most likely aware, the NZEI (Primary Teacher's Union) are still in negotiations with the government around providing adequate resourcing to meet the needs of our growing schools. They have planned meetings for next week where teachers around the country will attend. We have rostered teachers to attend various meetings between Hamilton and Cambridge to enable us to keep the school open on our meeting days. The meetings will be held in the afternoons of Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th May. During these



afternoons classes will be combined in their Tuakana - Teina groups and spend time working with their buddies.

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# School Lunches - Term 2

We have continued to absorb price rises in food for our school lunch programme in recent years. Our lunch packs have been priced at \$5.00 since 2012. Unfortunately we can no longer absorb the costs, and as a consequence, lunch packs are now priced at \$6.00.



# Church Car Park

We are so very fortunate to have been given the use of our neighbouring church carpark to provide a safe space for pick up and drop off **at the start and end of the school day**. I can't imagine what this would look like without the use of their facility! Over the past few weeks I have been working with the church to make sure we are living up to our end of the agreement. Recently the church has repainted their carpark, marking more clearly no-parking zones and increasing available carparks. Please can you ensure you do not park on the yellow lines - it becomes very difficult to negotiate the carpark when there are cars in these areas. Unfortunately our use of the car park has started to impact on the church and they have requested that the school no-longer uses it for parking during the day - drop off, pick up and for short times are fine, but no long term parking during school hours please. The easiest place to find parking for these purposes is along Barrie Crescent - there is gate access to the school from this street. Please can people also avoid parking on the paved area in front of the church - this is not designed to be driven on. Thank you for your cooperation! If we can work together with the church, I'm sure we'll be able to use their facility for the foreseeable future.

## **Spare Clothes**

Can we we ask that you pack a spare set of clothes in your child's bag at this time of year. We find, especially as the weather deteriorates, and children slip over in the playground, that we have an increasing number of children needing a change. By having additional clothing at school, we do not need to contact parents for clothing during the school day.



### PTG News

- Iceblocks: We have quite a few ice blocks left over from last term, so will be selling these Fridays after school until they are gone. Mini popsicles \$1.00, juicies and traffic lights \$1.50
- Next meeting: Thursday 9th May, 7.30pm in the staff room. All welcome.
- Want to get in touch with us? Please email ptg@silverdale.school.nz or join our facebook group "Friends of the PTG - SNS".

## **Materials Fee**

Thank you to those families who have paid their child's \$25.00 material fee.

This fee covers the cost of photocopying resources and newsletters, as well as classroom resources provided by the teachers such as coloured pencils, crayons, felt pens, large rulers, pencil sharpeners etc. These costs are not optional as they are required to fund class activities. Payment Options - cash at the School Office, or alternatively online using internet banking. We do not have eftpos facilities. Bank details as follows: ASB Account 12 - 3249 - 0084477 - 00 Please use your child's name and room number as a reference.

# Hockey Fees

Hockey fees of \$60.00 are now due.

# **Board of Trustees Elections**

Nomination forms will be posted to eligible voters in the next week. If your current address has not been updated at the School Office, please do so this week. If you do not receive a nomination form in the post, please contact our Returning

Officer, Barbara-Anne Montgomery, in the School Office.

# Congratulations to our Certificate Winners at the end of last term

These students are acknowledged for making a positive difference.



# **Classroom Item**

This term for the first two weeks, Room 13 is using recycled plastic to make an item to sell at a market. After finding out what our consumers (other yr 5/6 students) want through market research, we are finally in the stage of redesigning and making our product in groups. To sell our product we will also be learning about logos, slogans and persuasive posters.



# Cyber Safety Parent Evening

You are invited to join with other parents from around the Hamilton community in a Cyber Safety Parent Information Evening held at Hillcrest High School Auditorium on Friday 16th May from 7.00pm. Guest Speakers: Pauline Spence (Educator) from Netsafe, Constable Jack Driver -Waikato Police Social Media Team, Constable Peter Van't Wout - School Community Officer. RSVP to the event on the Facebook Event page - link found on our Facebook / Website



## Entertainment Book

Support our school and purchase your new Entertainment Membership from our School Office. Give mum the VIP treatment with Entertainment! Packed with thousands of valuable offers across dining, retail, attractions and travel, an Entertainment Membership is the gift she can enjoy all vear round.

We think Mum will love it even more for supporting Silverdale Normal School and knowing it helps a good cause.

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

# **Project Energize Nugget**

This nugget explains why Sport Waikato resources use the double vowel. Supplied by Zane Hartley - Energizer

Michael Harrop - Principal



FREE OPEN DAY

# **Community Notice**

# Let's Get Fit - Free Open Day 4th May from 10.00am to 2.00pm

Try out squash and tennis - all



ages and abilities welcome. Join us for a BBQ and spot prizes at Hamilton Squash and Tennis Club, 325 Tristram Street. For more information contact office@hstc.co.nz