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### Board of Trustees

With the current Board elections in full swing, I'd like to take this opportunity on behalf of the school and community to thank the current BOT for their amazing service for the past three years. As a school we have grown from strength to strength and your governance and support has been a large contributor for this success. You have been a board that goes the extra mile - giving of your time and talents to help with school events, funding applications and keeping our school running at its best. Thank you for always keeping the children at the centre of decisions and enabling our staff to continue to make a positive difference in our community. I'm sure you will join with me as we acknowledge the effort and contributions of our current BOT: Rob Gray (chair), Rachel Dixon (parent representative), Andrew Don (parent representative), Stefan Lipsey (parent representative), Sione Naulivou (parent representative) and Sandra Edwards (staff representative).

Don't forget to cast your vote! The role of the Board of Trustees is a crucial one for the school and as a community we have the opportunity to select our representatives. You should have received official voting papers by mail - please contact Barbara-Anne at the office if you have any questions about this. Your vote must be in by noon this Friday, 7th June. Voting forms must be returned in the envelope provided. The voting box is situated in the foyer of the School Office, just outside my office door.



### Reports and Learning Conversations

This year we are making a change to the way we report to parents. From feedback we received from our community, it was clear that caregivers felt that a conversation was a more informative way of discussing progress than simply reading a school report. For the mid-year reporting this year we have scheduled Learning Conversations in week 2 of next term on Tuesday 30th July, and Wednesday, 31st July - more details including how to book coming later. At these interviews you will be given a written summary of learning to date and talk about goals for the remainder of the year. We believe this will be a far more useful method of reporting and aligns more strongly with our principle of Kaupapa - creating a shared vision for learning together.

### Early Closure for Learning Conversations

To create more available times for whānau to book for our Learner Conversations, we have decided to close at **lunchtime on Wednesday 31st July**. This will enable caregivers to book interviews from 1.30pm on this day.

## Home Communication

We have also been listening to community voice around communication. As facebook and the school app have been identified as more timely forms of communication, we have decided to publish newsletters on a fortnightly cycle (every even week). Hockey draws and other weekly information will be published on our website, facebook page and via the school app.

## Photo Day

Portrait, sibling and class photos were taken today.

- Look out for your child's Photo Shoot Keycode that will come home in a couple of weeks time.
- Use your unique Photo Shoot Keycode to view your child's photos at [www.photolife.co.nz](http://www.photolife.co.nz)
- Orders placed before the free delivery expiry date will be bulk printed and delivered to our school for your child to bring home.
- Create your own portrait photo pack. Simply purchase the first sheet of portrait photos for \$15.00. Go to your shopping cart and all the other portrait photo sizes and sheets will be available to you for just \$5.00 a sheet. Order the number and size of photo sheets that you want.



## Access Gates

To help with safety of students arriving and leaving both at busy times and during the day, please can you help by having a conversation with your children about the correct gates to use at school.

These are the Church gate (walked by an adult due to busy carpark), Main gate and Barrie Crescent gate.



Main Gate

Due to safety reasons, the gate to the path behind the student Common Room will now be locked - thanks for your help with this.



St Matthew's Church Gate



Barrie Crescent Gate

**"Making a Positive Difference"**

Barrie Crescent Church Gate

### **Congratulations to our Certificate Winners last week**

Each week at our assembly every class issues one class certificate or a Duffy Book. These students are acknowledged for making a positive difference!



### **A Reminder - Extra Clothing in Children's Schoolbags**

Now that we are experiencing some wet weather, can you please ensure you have a change of clothing packed in your child's school bag. We are having many children slipping over, requiring a change of clothing. 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.

### **PTG News**

- **Topperware Fundraiser:** Thank you to those who supported this fundraiser last week - it was very successful.
- **Working Bee:** Saturday, 8th June from 11.00am onwards, to re-paint the existing and paint some new pavement games as part of a Room 14 project. Everyone is welcome and not a lot of painting experience is required.
- **PJ Day for Waikids:** Friday, 21st June. Donations of new PJs, a soft toy, stickers or a gold coin would be greatly appreciated and will go directly to Waikids at the hospital.
- **Oxford Pies:** Please return all order forms to the PTG box by the children's counter in the office, by Friday, 14th June. Payment can be cash with the order form, or paid by internet banking to Silverdale Normal School PTG, 03-1559-0019428-000. Please use your child's name and PIES as the reference. Extra pie order forms are available from the School Office. Pies will be delivered on Tuesday, 25th June.
- **Next Meeting:** Tomorrow night - Thursday, 6th June.
- **Want to get in touch with us?** Please email [ptg@silverdale.school.nz](mailto:ptg@silverdale.school.nz) or join our facebook group " Friends of the PTG - SNS "



### **Fête de la Musique**

Every year we join with musicians around the world and celebrate Fête de la Musique - Friday, 21st June. On this day, students are encouraged to bring instruments to school that they may be learning and play these at morning tea time. This is a great time for students to experience performing in a casual way and for others to hear and experience new music.

### **Lost Property**

The bin is overflowing - please come and check the lost property today!

**"Making a Positive Difference"**

## Entertainment Book

Last year's memberships have now expired. Help us fundraise by buying a new Entertainment Book membership through us <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/155y154> and gain access to massive deals with restaurants, outdoor activities (for the whole family – so good!) and amazing adventures all over the Waikato and Bay of Plenty. It's a one stop shop for trying new delicious foods, sampling different outings and keeping the kids knee deep in fun during the school holidays!!



## Hockey

Draw: Saturday, 8th June

All games are played at Gallaghers Hockey Centre, Queens Ave, Hamilton. Please allow plenty of time for parking as it can get very congested, it is important the players are on time to warm up with their team prior to their game. Your team manager or coach will let you know what time they require you to be at the turf.



Silverdale Pukekos vs Marian Thunder	8.00am	GHC 1RB12
Silverdale Keas vs Knighton Thunder	9.00am	GHC 2QA
Silverdale Kiwis vs Te Ao Marama Kahu	9.30am	GHC 1QA
Silverdale Moreporks vs St Columbas Mighty Saints	9.00am	GHC 1QC
Silverdale Harriers vs Marian Strikers	9.00am	GHC 2QC

## First Credit Union



First Credit Union provides a school banking service to all pupils at our school. Getting started is easy- just pick up an application pack from the school office, fill in the application form and return it to the school office. If your children are already doing school banking, remember that the school banking is collected on Wednesday each week!

We would like to thank First Credit Union for their donation of three umbrellas today for duty teachers.

## Project Energize Nugget

Supplied by Zane Hartley – Energizer

Michael Harrop - Principal

