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Junior and Senior Athletics Days

Due to rain, both of these days were postponed to later this week. The Junior Athletics morning will now be held tomorrow, Thursday, 21st November, and the Senior Athletics Day will now be held on Friday, 22nd November. We hope many of you will be able to attend. Please ensure your children have their sunhats with them tomorrow and Friday.

Community Voice - Tomorrow and Friday, during our athletics days, you are invited to call into our staffroom. Here you can grab a tea or coffee, and write down your views on our school values / principles. There'll be pens and paper set up for you to record your thinking. We would really appreciate your voice adding to this discussion.



Celebrating our Cultures Week

On the last day of 'Celebrating our Cultures Week' many of our children came to school dressed in clothing that represented their culture or heritage.

During our assembly they had the opportunity to walk in a parade wearing their cultural dress. It was wonderful to celebrate our beautiful diversity together and

remember that although we come from different backgrounds and cultures, we are all one and part of our Silverdale whānau. During the week, our



classes were also

visited by parents and family members sharing aspects of their culture. It was a wonderful week.



Emergency Mobile Alert Test

Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management has an upcoming emergency mobile alert test this Sunday, 24th November.

This is only a test. The Ministry wants to make sure all New Zealanders with a mobile phone, including visitors such as international students, are aware of the upcoming mobile alert test.

"Making a Positive Difference"

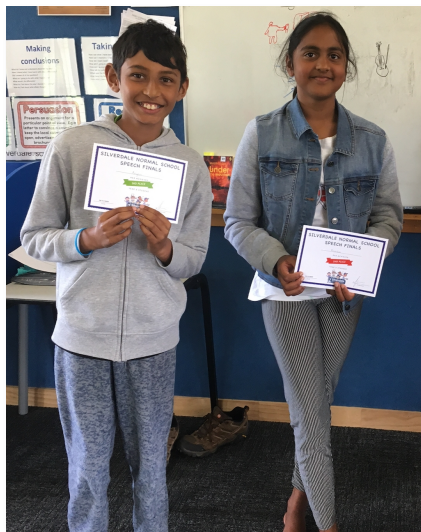
Speech Finals

Last Thursday, 14th November, the senior school students were treated to a very entertaining morning as we listened to the Silverdale Senior School speech finalists for 2019. With a range of topics that included humour, interesting facts and persuasive language, it was always going to be a tough decision for the three judges.

Results: Year 6: 1st place and overall winner Tylah, 2nd place Ashika and 3rd place Aryan.

Year 5: 1st place Rowan, 2nd place Tyson and 3rd place Connie.

A big congratulations to all the students who made the finals; Aryan, Hunter, Rowan, Saul, Tyson, Connie, Bella, Ashika, Amarni, Keira, Lachlan, Silia, Jillian, Diana, Tylah T and Tamatoa.



Also a huge congratulations to all the children in the senior school who put a lot of effort into preparing their speeches and then gathered the confidence to present in front of their peers. Thank you to Donna, Lily and Daniel (masters students who have worked with us this year) who gave up their time to be our judges.



ESOL Speeches

Last Thursday some Year 4 English Language Learners listened to the Year 5 and Year 6 ELL speech finals. We were very pleased to have two past teachers of ELLs at Silverdale Normal School as our judges - Mrs Kathy Dobbie and Mrs Sheana Goudie. They were delighted to

hear about 15 different topics that the students chose to write and speak about.

Congratulations to all the speakers. Presenting to an audience in English was a real achievement for all of you. Well done.

Group 1 :

1st Lattrell, 2nd Varnikha

Group 2 :

1st Toby, 2nd Chloe, 3rd Gundeep
Very Highly Commended : Nandita

Group 3 :

1st Bonnie, 2nd Lara, 3rd Camila



Classroom Item Room 15 - Patricia Avenue Satellite Unit



Room 15 students made a scarecrow for the Hamilton Gardens Scarecrow Competition. 'Mr Krupp' was made by students in both classes. We had so much fun making a scarecrow. We went for a visit to the Gardens to see all the scarecrows that had entered.



PTG News

- **Christmas Card Workshop - Saturday, 30th November**, 1.00-3.00pm, at the school meeting room. \$20 to hand make 4 cards. All materials and afternoon tea provided. Children 8 years plus welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Places limited, please email ptg@silverdale.school.nz or facebook message us to secure a space.
- **Summer Fun Raffle** - went home last week. Some great prizes up for grabs. Please sell to family and friends. Tickets and money must be returned to the PTG box in the office by **Tuesday, 3rd December**. All proceeds go to our playground shade sails project.
- **Term 4 Disco - Friday, 29th November**, 5.00-7.00pm. Come along for a fun evening. Disco flyer accompanies this newsletter.
- **Year 6 Leavers Dinner - Thursday, 12th December**.
- **Next meeting - Thursday, 13th February, 2020.**
- **Keep in touch:**
 - Like our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/silverdalenormalschoolptg>.
 - Join our Facebook Group: "Friends of the PTG - SNS"
 - Messenger: m.me/silverdalenormalschoolptg
 - Email: ptg@silverdale.school.nz

Music Lessons 2020

- PlaynotesNZ (Aaron Lyndon) will teach ukulele, guitar, drums and piano/keyboard and also hold ensemble classes next year. For more information email playnotesnz@gmail.com
- We have today heard from the Ministry of Education that they will again subsidise flute and violin classes next year.



Important Dates

Term 4 is a busy term with lots of action! Our school calendar is available on our website.

Here is a summary of some key events:

21 November	Junior Athletics Morning
22 November	Senior Athletics Day
27 November	Choir Trip
29 November	Inter-school Athletics Day
29 November	PTG School Disco
3 December	Last day - Flute/Fife lessons
4 December	Community Appreciation Morning Tea - 11.00am in the staffroom
6 December	Senior trip / Middle School Big Day In
9 -10 December	Parent Conversations
10 December	Last day - After School Māori Art Classes
10 December	Last day - After School Lego Club
12 December	Last day - Jump-start
12 December	Year 6 Leavers' Dinner
13 December	School Reports go home
16 December	Road Patrollers Fun Day
17 December	Last day - Piano/Guitar/Ukulele lessons
18 December	Final Assembly - 1.00pm under the canopy
19 December	Last day of School (half day) 12.30pm finish



T Ball Tournament

On Friday, 8th November two Tee Ball teams travelled to Tauwhare School to participate in the annual competition. It was perfect weather and the two teams got the opportunity to play six games. The Sloggers played in the 'A' League and the Big Hitters played in the 'B' League with both teams facing very tough competition.

Both teams worked cooperatively supporting each other. They showed great sportsmanship and continued to improve their skills throughout the day. All the students should be proud of the positive manner in which they represented Silverdale School.

Sloggers: Kobe, Hunter, Tylah, Keeley, Israel, Amarni, Tamatoa, Liam T, Lesley, Hukarere, Te Ngakau, Rowan.

Big Hitters: Ihaka, Bailey, Lachlan, Kelvyn, Hunter Leigh, Jade, Marco, Hayden, Aurora, Gundeep, Saul, Fipi, Tyler.

Congratulations to our Certificate Winners

Each week at our assembly every class issues one class certificate or a Duffy Book. These students are acknowledged for making a positive difference! There was no assembly last week.



Michael Harrop - Principal

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