

NEWSLETTER WEEK 8, TERM 2 2022

Kia ora, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Malo ni, Talofa lava, Tēnā koutou katoa,

We have made it to the end of the term! As always, I am impressed and proud of the way both staff and students have dealt with the ups and downs of this term. We have definitely had to juggle classes and teachers around over the last few weeks, and in the midst of all of this, the children remained settled and focused.

Term 3 we will welcome to our Dyer Street community our new Principal, Lee Ewington. Lee has visited us during the term and we are looking forward to him joining us. There will be a Pōwhiri for Lee and all of our new families and staff to DSS on Wednesday 27 July at 10am. We have been unable to hold a Pōwhiri this year as we normally would for our new whānau, so please join us if you are able so that we can officially welcome you to our school.

We have other staff changes happening in term 3. I will return to my role as Deputy Principal/SENCo. Meg Waghorn will still be around school, as a parent but also working in some of our classrooms a few days a week. I wish to thank Meg for all her work over the last 2 terms. She has brought a wealth of knowledge to us, and it is to her credit that the garden club, Movin March, and our structured literacy programme are all off the ground (to name only a few) It has been a true privilege to work with Meg in her role as Acting Deputy Principal.

Matt Crockett, who has been in Room 10 this term, will be leaving us. Matt has been covering Kasey Ward who is on paternity leave and will be returning next term. Matt has done an outstanding job and I know his energy will be missed by all of the staff and students. We wish Matt all the best as he moves on to his new role at Maungaraki School.

We also say farewell to our Social Worker in Schools, Hannah. Hannah is off on maternity leave, we wish her and her family well. We will let you know as soon as possible when there is a replacement.

Reports will be sent home at the end of the week. These will come home with the children on Friday. They will also be emailed out so if your contact details have changed please let us know.

Have a safe and wonderful break. We look forward to seeing everyone back next term.

Michelle Pilcher
Acting Principal

Reminders

Our school day runs from 9.00 - 3pm. If you need to pick up before then, please sign out at the school office.
Please make sure children are not arriving before 8.30 as doors are shut and there is no supervision.



Dates to remember:

7 July - PJ Day (PB4L reward day)
8 July - 2 pm whole school assembly
8 July - Term 2 ends at 3 pm
8 July - reports sent home
3 August - Nominations for BOT close

Welcome to new students and their families

Misha

We hope you enjoy your time at our school!

Remember to use Seesaw to check for messages from your child's teacher!

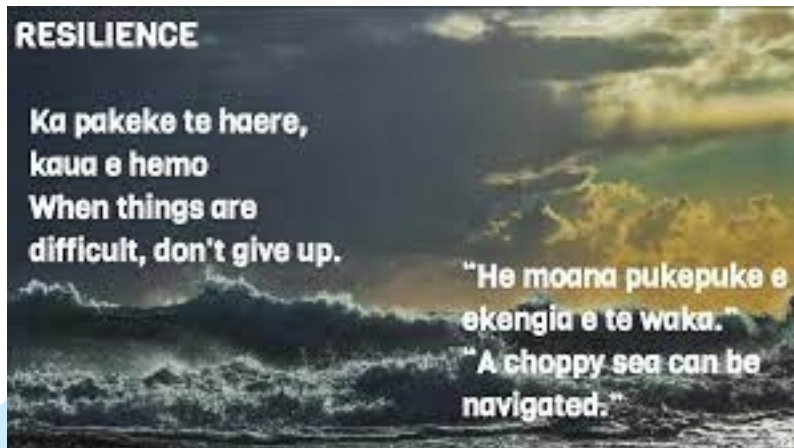
Log on to Skool Loop for all the information you need. If your child is away, you can also mark this on Skool Loop. If you have any problems, please let us know.

Our LEARN value for this week:

Each week at school we are focusing on one of our school LEARN values. Teachers will be talking about them in class and we will share them here in the notices and also on our Facebook page so that you can discuss what they look like at home if you would like to.

Manawanui/Never Give Up: We have seen this in abundance over the last two weeks, not just with students but also with our staff. The last few weeks have seen a lot of changes in classes and the teachers in front of them and everyone has shown resilience and approached things with an open mind. Ko koe a runga, you are awesome!

Whakataukī o te wiki:



Nominations for the Board of the Trustees are now open - forms have been emailed to you. This is a fantastic way to be of service to the school and your tamariki.



From the Board of Trustees

Tēnā koutou ngā whānau o Dyer Street School,

This week is our last week with Michelle Pilcher as Acting Principal and Meg Waghorn as Acting Deputy Principal. Next Term, Michelle will return to the Deputy Principal role and Meg will provide specialist and relief teaching on Mondays and Tuesdays.

We thank Michelle and Meg for the amazing job they have done leading our school over the past two terms.

The Board regularly hears from staff about how much they are enjoying working at Dyer Street School this year, and how the staff look after each other and feel well supported. We know that good staff engagement is a key ingredient for great teaching in the classroom.

We have also seen the hard work Michelle and Meg have put into looking after our wider community. We have enjoyed the great communication through the refreshed newsletters, Facebook page and website, and virtual assemblies. It's also been great to see the return of in-person assemblies and school trips. Michelle and Meg also organised deliveries of school lunches and learning packs to families isolating, and have been working tirelessly to arrange extra support for families in need.

Behind the scenes, they have created a new system for gathering data on student progress, and championed the implementation of DMIC (maths), Te Ara Whakamana/Zones of Regulation (social/emotional learning) and structured literacy.

It has been a challenging time, with the outbreak of Omicron in Term 1 and a lot of winter illness in Term 2. The staff have done a great job of teaching and caring for our kids during this difficult period. We thank them all for a great first half of the year, and especially acknowledge the excellent leadership and hard work of Michelle and Meg.

We have lived our school values, through their leadership:

- Link Up / Whānau
- Everyone Together / Manaaki
- Akohia / Mātauranga
- Respect / Aroha
- Never Give Up / Manawanui

We hope you all have a great school holidays. We will welcome our new Tumuaki/Principal, Lee Ewington, next term, with a mihi whakatau on Wednesday 27 July at 10am.

From the Board of Dyer Street School



Community News

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**Start date:
Monday 25th July**



Before School Care



After School Care



Holiday Programmes



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Activities Coordinators



Internship



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Learn how to play badminton



- Friday 15th July
- Wednesday 20th July
- 10am – 12noon
- Badminton Hall, Vogel Street, Naenae
- **School years 3 – 8**
- \$5 per person per session (cash on the day only please)
- Racquets and shuttles provided

To register email Nikki: developmentofficer@bhv.org.nz
Please provide: player name, age, school year, emergency contact number, session date

