

NEWSLETTER WEEK 8 TERM 4 2022

Friday 9th December

Kia ora koutou katoa,

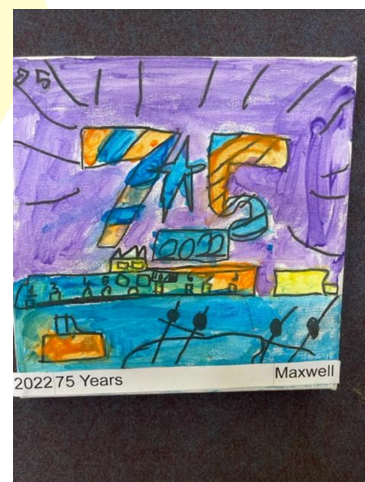
It's been a fun-filled week on our island of learning with the Water Day and Kaitiakitanga Showcase being the highlights. It's nice to finally be able to welcome whānau back into our kura and share our learning again. This is something that has been missed throughout the pandemic.

Today, our tamariki visited their new classroom spaces and met their teacher for 2023. We go through a robust process when deciding class placements to ensure we get the best fit for each child. End of Year Reports will be sent out via email on Monday afternoon and each family will receive one hard copy as well.

Over the last few months, I have been canvassing the community to get feedback for our revised strategic plan. I now can present the plan to whānau in draft form below. This is a one pager which will have some further detail sitting behind it around specific actions. Early next year, I will share the full document once completed.

Finally, I wanted to thank you all for your continued support of our kura. We have faced challenges and change over the last year and we can be proud of how our community has shown adaptability and resilience. As tumuaki, it has been a pleasure getting to know the tamariki, kaiako and whānau of our kura over the last two terms. I wan to wish you all a wonderful xmas, and safe and happy holiday with your family and friends.

Lee Ewington
Tumuaki/ Principal



Kaitiaki Projects



Gorllia Burger Lunch!

I Dyer Street School Strategic Plan 2023

Vision: Learning for Life Guiding Whakatauki: "Whaowhia te kete mātauranga" fill the basket of knowledge

Values: Link up- Whānau Everyone Together-Manaaki Akohia- Mātauranga Respect- Aroha Never Give up- Manawanui



Our Strategic Goals	Our Initiatives	Our Success
Culture Ahurea	<p>1.1 Value and embrace the diversity and culture of our DSS community.</p> <p>1.2 Value and prioritise Te Reo Maori and Mātauranga Maori in our teaching and learning programmes</p>	<p>1.1 All akonga can see their culture in our kura and have a sense of belonging to our community.</p> <p>1.2 Our kura has created conditions for Te Reo Māori and Mātauranga Maori to flourish through progress in the Māori Immersion levels.</p>
Mātauranga Akohia	<p>2.1 Enhance quality teaching and learning programmes to support personalised learning for all.</p> <p>2.2. Implement Professional Learning for staff which is relevant and purposeful in improving student outcomes & well being</p>	<p>2.1 Develop a DSS curriculum which is responsive to akonga's diverse needs allowing for student voice and choice.</p> <p>2.2 Implement Culturally Responsive practices through Te Ara Whakamana, Structured Literacy, Learning through Play and DMIC.</p>
Environment Taiao	<p>3.1 Develop modern and inclusive learning environments with barrier-free access for all learners.</p> <p>3.2 Improve the physical environment of our kura including outdoor learning spaces.</p>	<p>3.1 Reduce barriers to education for all akonga and those with learning support needs through appropriate resourcing and curriculum design.</p> <p>3.2 An enhanced physical environment that showcases our people, culture and whenua.</p>
Identity Tuakiri	<p>4.1 Create a shared vision and identity that reflects our people and environment.</p> <p>4.2 Create community engagement opportunities that enhance the profile of our kura.</p>	<p>4.1 We have a school vision, logo and branding that represents our people and environment.</p> <p>4.2 Whānau and the wider community are engaged and connected as an essential part of helping our people and kura grow.</p>
Our kura both honours and commits to Te Tiriti o Waitangi We will recognise and value our unique national identity		

Dates to remember:

- 12 December Whole School Shared Lunch
- 14 December Year 6 Graduation
- 15 December. Final assembly 11 a.m.
School finishes at 12 p.m.
- Wednesday 1st February - School begins for the year.

Noticeboard

School Structure 2023

With our strategic plan set in place, we now can look forward to 2023. We will start the school year with 7 classrooms and then move to an 8th class once we get further roll growth in Term 2 or Term 3. Our class numbers remain at conservative levels compared to many other kura in the valley. Along with dedicated Teacher aide support, we have a great team that will continue to nurture and support all tamariki at DSS.

Here is how our Team Roster looks for 2023

Lee Ewington- Tumuaki/ Principal

Meg Waghorn - Deputy Principal/ SENCO

Bronwyn Langley- New Entrants Room 1

Nicole Hawke - Ako iti Team Leader Terms 3/4 Year 1. Room 2

Penny Clout- Ako iti team leader Term 1 and 2. Year 3 Room 3

New Teacher Appointment- TBC Year 2/3 Room 4

Laurie Rogers - Year 5/6 Room 6

Kasey Ward - Ako nui team leader Year 4/5 Room 7

Lizzy Watkins - Year 3/4. Room 5

Rochelle Frecklington- Reading Recovery/ Early Literacy Support/ Better Start Literacy

Penny Musgrave- Release Teacher and ORRS Teacher

Natalie Finch- Release Teacher

Megan O'Sullivan- Office Manager

Kathryn Lancaster - Office Administrator

Dina Vainepoto- Teacher aide

Tara Zandi- Teacher aide

Alex Lee- Teacher aide

Diane Ward- Teacher aide

Junay Say- Bilingual teacher

In addition to the staff above, I am thrilled to announce Jonathan Mapuna as our new Caretaker for the kura. Jonny is a parent and a neighbour of our school and brings a real skill set to this position from a health and safety, building and project management perspective. We look forward to welcoming Jonathan onto the DSS team next year.



End-of-year activities

There are still quite a few exciting end-of-year activities coming up!

- Monday December 12th - PB4L Reward Day - Shared lunch, please bring a plate of kai to the hall on Monday morning.
- Tuesday December 13th - Shoebox Christmas - all tamariki receiving a gift from the community. This year these will be sent home still wrapped for you to decide how you want to manage the unwrapping within your whānau.
- Wednesday December 14th - Year 6 Graduation 6 p.m. (by invitation for whānau of Year 6- if you need to clarify this see Ms James or Mr Rogers).
- Thursday December 15th - Last day of school! Final assembly from 11:00 a.m. - announcements of next year's school leaders, Year 6 awards and school cups. Farewell to staff and students who are leaving.

Dates for 2023

Term 1 Wednesday 1st February - Thursday 6th April

Public Holiday - Waitangi Day Monday - 6th February

Term 2 Monday 24th April - Friday 30th June

Public Holidays - Anzac Day Tuesday - 25th of April, King's Birthday Monday 5th June

Term 3 Monday 7th July - Friday 22nd September

Term 4 Monday 9th October - Friday 15th December

Public Holiday: Labour Day Monday 23 October



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