

NEWSLETTER WEEK 4 TERM 1 2023

Friday 24th February

Kia ora koutou katoa,

Next week, we will be holding two Link Up Hui's on Tuesday 28th February and Thursday 2nd March. These hui are an important opportunity for our kaiako to learn more about your tamariki and set goals for the year. We encourage all parents and whānau to attend these hui, as your input is essential in supporting your child's learning journey. Please use the Skool Loop app to book a time, or alternatively contact the office to book a time slot for you.

Over the last week I have been appointing kaiako to key leadership positions in our kura and one of those is sport. Mr Kasey Ward will be leading sport this year at our school. One of the biggest challenges around sports coordination is finding whānau to coach or manage teams. As a parent myself, and having coordinated school sport for many years at different schools, I understand why many of you aren't prepared to put yourself forward for this responsibility in the fear of overcommitting yourself or simply not knowing what the role entails. The flip side of this is if we don't have anyone to manage or coach, then we can't field teams and place them in competitions.

One of the biggest themes I heard from whānau last year was offering more sporting opportunities for our kids. We are prepared to do this but we really need your support going forward to bring this to a reality. As a school, we are prepared to support any parent who has a willingness to coach or manage teams. We can work along side you to understand the role and provide the training sessions needed. A huge thank you to all of our whānau who have supported Touch Rugby this term. It is much appreciated!

Lee Ewington
Tumuaki/ Principal



Link Up Hui next week



Tamariki collecting fruit from our school orchard

Dates to remember:

- 28 Feb and 3rd March - Learning Conversations/Link-Up Hui
- 1 March - Movin' March begins
- 9 March - Cyber Safety Parent Hui at Naenae College
- 10 March - Whole School Assembly
- 31 Movin' March Parade

From the Link-Up Committee

The Link-Up committee is our friendly and laid-back parent-led "fun and fundraising" committee.



They are always looking for parents and friends of the school to get involved! If you'd like to know how you can be part of it email linkupdyerstreet@gmail.com

Movie night

We had a great time and enjoyed seeing many parents, grandparents and DSS supporters there. We are grateful to those who also donated to our raffles: Tandia from Orly Boutique, Janus Bakkerij and Sopranos restaurant.

From this event we were able to raise \$860 for our outdoor learning spaces.

Next month we will be selling Hot X Buns from Janus, look out for updates on our Facebook page and we will also send home order forms with the tamariki.

We would love to have more members join the Link up committee as it is currently a very small group with big goals.

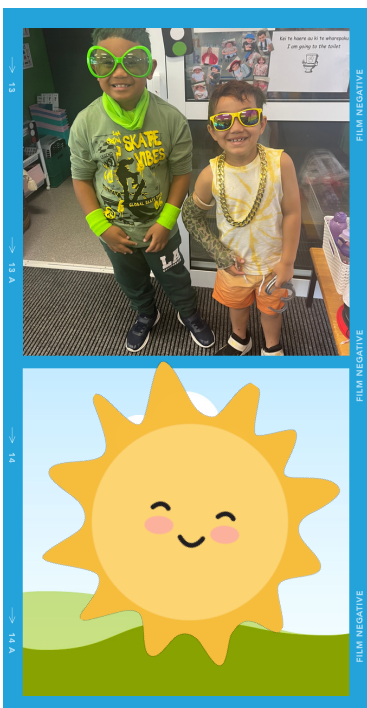
If you are interested in joining us please email: linkupdyerstreet@gmail.com

We will be meeting on Monday 6th March at 2:30pm and again that evening at 7:30pm for parents who can't make it during school hours - both meetings will be in the library.

Please do come along and join us, even if just to hear what we are planning for 2023.

Your commitment to the committee can be as big or as small as suits you.

Here comes the Sun Bright Day for Cyclone Relief



Thank you!

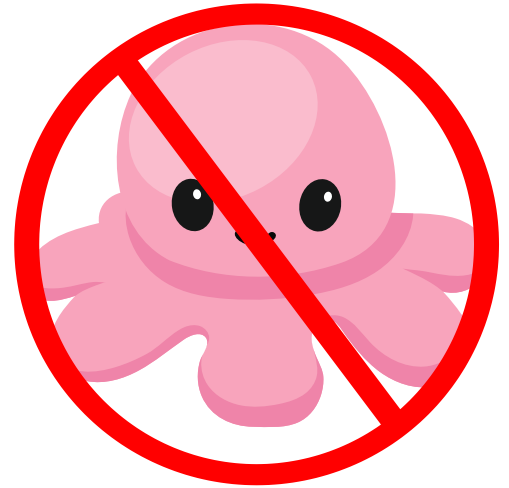
We raised \$220 for Cyclone Relief and have not yet counted the treat sale funds but it looks to be at least 200 more! Ka rawe whānau ma!



Noticeboard

Toys at school - Reminder of school rules

Our school rule is for no toys from home to be brought to school. This includes soft toys and collectible cards. We find toys at school cause friendship issues, create a distraction and take teacher time away from learning as teachers find themselves managing their toys. If your child requires a comfort or fidget toy to support well-being please discuss this with their classroom teacher before allowing it to be brought to school.



Let's Get Movin' in March!

We're a Movin'March school and counting down to Wednesday the 1st March when we'll start stamping passports at the gate as part of the Walk or Wheel Passport Challenge all through March. Walking or wheeling to school is a great way to get active, know your neighbourhood, kick start learning for the day AND take care of the environment. Remember students don't have to complete their passports to go in the draw to win a \$400 MYRIDE voucher at the end of March!

Fancy going in the draw to win a scooter? Parents who take part in our Whānau photo competition on Facebook or Instagram will be in to win 1 of 5 adult or child Micro Scooters and helmets or a Family Pass to Staglands or Zealandia. Check out the Movin'March website for more on these competitions and how you can take part.