

NEWSLETTER WEEK 2 TERM 2 2023

Friday 5th May,

Kia ora koutou katoa,

We have got straight back into the mahi at our kura. It was awesome to welcome new whānau and kaimahi at our pōwhiri last Friday. This is special event that starts each term and at some point we will be reaching out to whānau to get some further feedback around how we can strengthen our kawa and process.

This term our learning focus is based around Matariki with a particular focus on the Science and NZ Aotearoa Histories Curriculum. Students will be learning about the importance of Matariki, as well as learning about Space. This was one of the topics our tamariki wanted to learn more about from the student survey in Term 4 last year. At the beginning of Term 3, we will have a Matariki Celebration to share our learning.

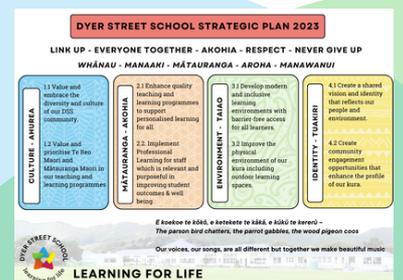
Our Hutt Fest Roopu is taking shape thanks to the mahi from Whaea Bee. We have started practices and will be asking whānau to support in making poi and kakahu next Wednesday in the school Library at 4pm. This is a huge event for our Performance kapa Haka group and will take some resilience and effort to get our tamariki up to the high standard that is expected. Whaea Bee we be working closely with our group over the next few weeks to prepare, practice and get our roopu ready.

I wanted to give you a staffing update for Term 2. We welcome Sarah Ronchetti to our team as our Roll Growth Teacher. Sarah is an experienced kaiako with strengths in Learning through Play and Structured Literacy. She will be working alongside Miss Langley later in the term, before starting her own class. Information around this will be sent to Room 1 parents next week. We also welcome Kendyl Taylor to our kura. Kendyl will be working alongside Meg Waghorn in Room 5 for Term 2. Kendyl has relieved in our school before and will make a great team with Meg.

A final reminder that our school hours are from 8:55am to 3pm. If you child is late, they must visit the office first before heading to class. We also seem to be seeing a trend of some children being picked up early. Of course, there are genuine reasons for an early pick up but it also can cut into key learning time in the afternoons. Please connect with your child's teacher if there is anything we need to be aware of around pick up times.

Kia pai te wiki koutou

Lee Ewington
Tumuaki/ Principal



Dates to remember:

- Wednesday 10th May - Hutt Fest Kapahaka poi making 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday 11th May - Book Club orders due
- Tuesday 16th May - Year 6 Try Challenge - Hutt Rec
- Friday 19th May - Whole School Assembly 2:15 p.m.

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



Disco! The Link-Up Committee is planning a disco for the 9th of June. This will be to fundraise for camp in term 4 for the Year 5 & 6 students. We need parent helpers for door entry, snack and drink sales, set up and supervision. Please let the office or Meg Waghorn know if you can help, you can also email linkupdyerstreet@gmail.com (this email is checked by parents on the committee).

The next Link Up committee meeting is on Monday June 12th held in the school library at 7:30 p.m. We welcome new faces and attending doesn't commit you to anything! Feel free just to come along to chat with other DSS parents.

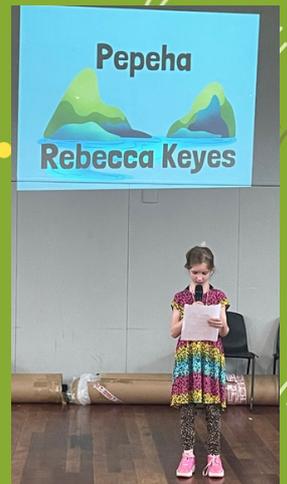
EGGS!



TERM 1 PB4L REWARD
- EASTER HUNT



WEEK 2, TERM 2 ASSEMBLY



DYER STREET SPORTS TERM 1

TOUGH RUGBY

We had 4 teams registered for Term 1.

There was positive feedback about how much the teams and players improved over the course of the competition. A huge thank you to those who supported our teams each week and to Jonny, Tara, Charlotte, Janelle and Holly for managing the teams.



TOUGH RUGBY

BY NIHAL - DSS TIGERS

"I like playing because I can get exercise. It was fun when I tagged fast players. I got better at being in space to get a pass from my team".

DYER STREET SPORTS TERM 1

CAPTURE THE FLAG

We had the opportunity to send two year five and six teams to a capture-the-flag tournament at Hutt Park. It was a busy day with multiple games for each team. After a cautious start to the competition, both teams finished on a high winning their final games of the day.

A thank you to the whānau who supported us by providing transport and helping the teams on the day.

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COMING UP THIS TERM...

BASKETBALL

We have four teams entered for this term's tournament at Walter Nash Stadium.

Year 1/2 DSS Storm

Year 3/4 DSS Panthers

Year 3/4 DSS Flames

Year 5/6 DSS Knights

Team lists will be posted on Dyer Street School Sports Facebook page and in the 'miniball' group in Skool loop



YEAR 6 TRY CHALLENGE

16TH OF MAY

TRY CHALLENGE is an obstacle-based event that involves 30 mins of fun!

All of our year 6 students have been entered to take part in the day. This will take place at Hutt Recreation Ground during the school day.

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW!

Community Notices

WINTER ILLNESS

Colds, flu and other respiratory illness are common in schools during winter. Here are some simple tips to prevent the spread of illness:



- Wash and dry hands regularly, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, sneezing, and using the toilet.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or your elbow, not your hand.
- Regularly clean high touch surfaces – door handles, taps, table tops, phones, computer keyboards, etc.
- If unwell, stay at home until 48 hours after symptoms have gone.
- Get a flu jab NOW – it's FREE for those aged 6 months to 12 years, pregnant women, and lots of other people.

For more information see:
www.rph.org.nz/winterillness

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