

NEWSLETTER WEEK 6 TERM 2 2023

Friday 2nd June

Talofa lava,

It's been another busy week at our kura with lots of awesome activities happening for our tamariki. On Tuesday we had a small group of tamariki visit the NZSO performance in Wellington which gave them the opportunity to experience live music at the Michael Fowler Centre. We also had a dedicated Cross Country team participate at Trentham Memorial Park on the same day. Ngā mihi to Roman Curtis, Charlie Cook, Aria Butler, Lyila Ruskin, Shantell Pickett and Phoenix Carter. All our students have made it through to the Inter-Zone Cross Country. A huge congratulations to these tamariki for representing our kura in this event and for our parents who supported with transport and supervision.

It has also been Samoan Language Week at our kura. It has been awesome to put the focus on our Samoan tamariki and whānau over this week by flying the Samoan flag, using greetings and everyday language in the classroom, as well as creating wonderful art pieces like Siapo patterns. This culminated this afternoon in our Samoan Culture Parade around our bike track. Ngā mihi to all the kaimaihi and kaiako who got involved with the festivities.

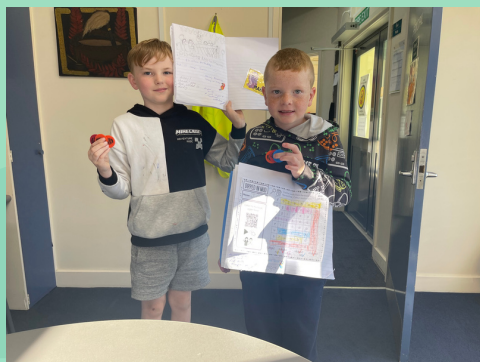
You will have a received a message asking for some whānau consultation around the logo and vision statements for our kura. This is part of 4.1 of our strategic plan "create a shared vision and identity that reflects our people and environment". I look forward to seeing some of your ideas and thoughts around this. Please feel free to email me lee@dyerstreet.school.nz

I want to also thank all of our whānau as you continue to support our wonderful teachers in their current contract negotiations. We know and acknowledge that this has caused disruption for some and we are all hopeful that we can get a resolution soon. Ngā mihi for this tautoko.

Finally, I wanted to update whānau around the Akonui (Year 4-6 classes) move into the newly refurbished classes. We have ordered new furniture and anticipate its arrival around the end of term. This may put our moving plan out by a couple of weeks. I will give you a further update in the next newsletter. A reminder that school is closed on Monday. Have a wonderful King's Birthday weekend and enjoy a few days with your family and friends.

Kia pai te rā whakata

Lee Ewington
Tumuaki/ Principal



Dates to remember:

- Monday 5th June - King's Birthday - School Closed
- Friday 9th June - School Disco
- Monday 12th June - Link Up Committee Meeting
- Tuesday 13th June - Interzone Cross Country
- Saturday 17th June - Hutt Fest Sewing Bee
- Friday 23rd June - Hutt Fest Dress Rehearsal

Learning to live with change and loss

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Dyer Street School we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce and related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called Seasons for Growth which will commence in Term 3. This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research which highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks.

Family will receive a notice in the near future with more details about the Seasons for Growth program. If you think your son or daughter would benefit from Seasons for Growth we would encourage you to talk to him/her about participating in the program.

Dyer Street School is pleased to be able to offer this important program and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved. If you require further information please contact Meg Waghorn megw@dyerstreet.school.nz.



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 Friday 9th June

Thanks so much to all the awesome parents who have put their hands up to support the fundraising disco next Friday 9th of June. Funds raised will go towards the Year 5/6 camp. The theme is Fluro so if you have any decorations at home that could fit the theme we'd love to borrow them.

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.

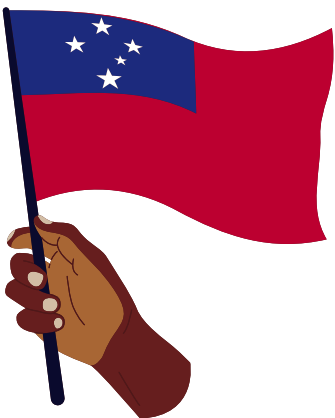
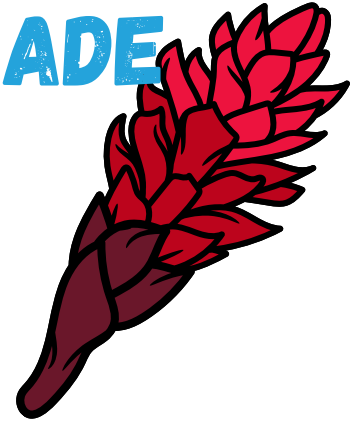
On the agenda will be camp fundraising, supporting school Matariki celebrations and continuing to work towards our goal of improving outdoor learning spaces.

Hutt Fest Preparation

Our performance slot has been confirmed - we will be performing on Monday 26th June in the 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. slot.

Sewing bee - thanks to those who have already said they can support our sewing bee for the girls' kākahu on Saturday the 17th of June. We are still welcoming more sewers and people who can help with organisation; cutting, pinning and ironing. Please get in touch with Ms Waghorn or Whaea Bee if you can help.

SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK - CULTURAL PARADE







FUNDRAISING FOR Y5/6 CAMP

DYER STREET SCHOOL

DISCO

FRI 9TH JUNE

5:30 TO 7:00PM

FLURO THEME

GOLD COIN ENTRY

TREATS AVAILABLE TO BUY!