

# NEWSLETTER WEEK 6 TERM 3 2023

Friday 25th August

Kia ora e te whānau,

What a massive week we have had at our kura with Link Up Hui, Lunchtime Sport and the final week of swimming taking place. There's been lots of opportunities for the tamariki to celebrate their learning and learn new skills.

We have been lucky enough to receive a grant to get a mural for our kura through the Hutt City Council. [Joe McMenamin](#), who is a well known artist, has been commissioned to create the mural which will go along the access ramp at the front entrance on Dyer Street. This has been in the background for some time now, but recently, we have been working with Joe on a design. Today, Joe started this project at school by cutting the plywood to shape and working with a small group of budding artists to create the base colours and background. We will be unveiling the mural on Friday 22nd September at our final school assembly. You are all welcomed to attend this. More detail to follow closer to the time.

Last week, our teaching team looked at our school vision. After some time, we have come down to a draft statement that we feel confidently represents what we are trying to achieve with all our people in the Dyer Street School community.

## "Whakatipu i te mana ngā tangata"

*"Enhancing the mana of all people"*

This statement hasn't been plucked out of thin air. Instead, this has been a year in the making from consulting with whānau, students, staff and board voice to collating all the key words which stood out for people. Words like "confidence, inclusive, resilient, mana, growth, happiness, empathy and community can all be linked to vision statement above.

Mana is complex word in Māoridom. It can mean many things. At Dyer Street School we use the word Mana in many things we do.

- Children get Mana cards for displaying growth in their work and visit me for feedback
- We use a mana enhancing programme called Te Ara Whakamana where we complete Mana circles with children to find their strengths, identity and also strategies to support emotional regulation.
- Our staff have Mana Awards every Friday morning tea where we nominate other staff members for the way they have shown help, support or gone the extra mile for our kura that week.

Everyone at Dyer Street School has mana, our job is to enhance that even further through an inclusive learning environment that values people and challenges everyone to a pathway of self- improvement.

This vision is not set in stone so I would love any feedback that whānau have around this. Please email me directly with your thoughts.

Have a great weekend, and I look forward to seeing those who can make it to our quiz night next Friday. Ngā mihi to Alice and the wonderful Link Up team who have put in a shift to get this over the line. It should be fun!

Lee Ewington  
Tumuaki/ Principal



## From the classrooms:

Room 2 made some collage art with Miss Muzzy. We selected our animal outline then carefully collaged the inside. We were patient and made sure we had no white spaces. We are very proud of our work.



Last week Room 10 was lucky enough to attend some swimming lessons at Hui Pool. They were very excited, especially when they could see the bus arriving to pick them up! They were split into groups, with an instructor per group. Some kids were doing some great work learning to swim, others were swimming nearly the whole length of the pool!

They were very tired after all that and happy to go back to school for some lunch!

A big thank you to all the parents for your fantastic support of our children, they had a really great time.



# Māori Whānau Hui

Tēnā koutou e te whānau Māori o Dyer Street School

You are invited to a Māori whānau hui on Wednesday 30th of August at 6 p.m. in the school library.

We will be providing dinner for you and your whānau and there will be a movie or games on for the kids.

We want to korero with you about how whānau Māori think we are going at Dyer Street School and get to know each other better as whānau and kaimahi Māori . It will be a relaxed hui for whakawhanaungatanga and kai!

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou,

Lee Ewington and Whaea Bee

If you can make it please let Whaea Bee know [beew@dyerstreet.school.nz](mailto:beew@dyerstreet.school.nz) for catering purposes.

# 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](mailto:linkupdyerstreet@gmail.com)

## Pie fundraiser



Delicious Centa Bakery pies available to order now for \$12 via the form on Skool Loop or there are paper forms in the office - lots of flavours available including fruit pies.

Thank you for your support of our school through this fundraiser. Pie orders need to be in by 9 a.m. Monday 4th September.

**QUIZ NIGHT**

FUNDRAISER FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO SCHOOL OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENT

FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER  
7pm to 10pm  
Dyer Street School Hall

ticket price \$20 per person - includes quiz entry and one free snack platter for each table  
max table size 8 people · 18+ only  
cash bar - beer, wine, seltzer and non-alcoholic drinks plus more snacks for sale  
plus an awesome raffle! tickets sold and drawn on the night  
PLEASE ARRIVE BY 6.30 FOR A 7PM START

Book here: <http://bit.ly/dssquiznight> - reserve a whole table for your whanau & friends, or or ask to be added to a table

The quiz night is shaping up to be an awesome night.

Thanks to some generous support there will be drinks available to purchase from Native Sparkling, Abandoned Brewery and Astrolabe Wines. Kai from Zany Zeus, Kapura, Mexicano and more!

There are also amazing raffle prizes from Bluebridge Ferry, Wellington Zoo, Mitre 10 Mega and more!

We still need more donations of yummy treats for our raffle baskets though, please drop these to the school office.

The next Link Up committee meeting is on Monday September 4th 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.

# Important Dates and Reminders

Camp payments and forms due - please get in touch with your child's teacher or the school office with questions.

Pie orders now open.

If you have a new phone number, email address or have moved please update the office.

- Wednesday 30th of August, 5 p.m. in Library - Camp Information Hui for all Year 5/6 parents.
- Wednesday 30th of August, 6 p.m. in Library - Māori whānau hui.
- Friday 1st September - Performance Kapa Haka ropu trip to Epuni School.
- Friday 1st September 6:30 p.m. - Fundraising Quiz Night
- Monday 4th September 7:30 p.m. Link Up Committee meeting.
- Tuesday 5th September - Board of Trustees Meeting
- Friday 8th of September - Whole School Assembly



# Community Notices

**Play Junior Cricket for Taita this season!**



- Hardball Grade - Years 5 & above
- Softball Grade - Years 3 & 4
- Learn to Play - Years 1 & 2

Subs \$50 per child  
Register at [taitacricquet.co.nz](http://taitacricquet.co.nz)

Any queries please feel free to contact us [taitajuniors@gmail.com](mailto:taitajuniors@gmail.com)



**FEATURING DJ FISH**  
**Back to the Future Roller Disco**  
LIMITED DOOR SALES AND SKATES



**Saturday 16th September**

**TICKET \$15** INCLUDES SKATE HIRE  
**FREE BAG OF CHIPPIES**  
**6:30 - 8:30PM**  
**TUCK SHOP** EFTPOS AVAILABLE

Upper Hutt Rollerskating Club, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt

All profits will go towards Epuni School's year 5&6 Camp 2024  
CONTACT [WHANAUGROUP@EPUNISCHOOLNZ](mailto:WHANAUGROUP@EPUNISCHOOLNZ) TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS.



## WELLINGTON BRICKSHOW

Amazing LEGO® creations from some of NZ's best builders

**16th Sept**  
9am - 5pm

**17th Sept**  
9am - 4pm

**\$10 Adult / \$7 Child**  
EFTPOS Available

**Walter Nash Centre, Lower Hutt**

**[www.well-lug/tickets](http://www.well-lug/tickets)**



# SPRING

## Fun Holiday Adventures

(Open: 7am and Close 6pm)

### **STANDARD FEES**

\$328.16 per cub/wk or \$557.87 for two siblings/wk  
\$82.04 per cub/day or \$139.47 for two siblings/day

### **EARLY BIRD ENROLMENT DISCOUNT**

Only \$278.94 per cub/wk or \$474.19 for two siblings/wk  
Only \$69.73 per cub/day or \$118.55 for two siblings/day if enrolled and paid by 11th August 2023

**Payment Deadline: 22nd Sep 2023**

Additional siblings will incur further charges, please see website for further pricing.

### **WHEN**

25th Sep - 6th Oct 2023  
Enrol by 18th Sep 2023

### **WHERE**

Dyer Street School Hall  
9 Dyer Street, Epuni,  
Lower Hutt

### **WHAT TO BRING**

Jacket, spare clothes, sun hat and water bottle

Limited spaces, enrol now at [www.pridelands.co.nz](http://www.pridelands.co.nz)  
T's & C's applies

## WEEK 1

Mon 25th Sep

Our City Tomorrow

If Wellington could be a different city, what would it look like?

Tue 26th Sep

Challenge Day

A day of Interactive Fun and Activities. Overnight Sleepover (Optional & Booking Required for this activity): Camp with your friends and enjoy a variety of night activities.

Wed 27th Sep

Trip Day: Wicked Wednesday  
YOU CHOOSE, WE GO!

Thur 28th Sep

Community Garden

How does your garden represent you?

Fri 29th Sep

Pride Lands Cultural Day  
Celebrations

Dress up. Eat up. All things cultural.



## WEEK 2

Mon 2nd Oct

Big Time Clocks

Countdown, in 5, 4, 3, 2, 1...

Tue 3rd Oct

Pride - X - Games (AS ONE!)

Enjoy a day of shared fun and adventure challenges with the community.

Wed 4th Oct

Trip Day: PRIDE LANDS COMMUNITY CHALLENGE: Do something selfless for your chosen community.

Thur 5th Oct

LIFE CHANGING STORY

Creating Art to say: 'Thank You' to those we love.

Fri 6th Oct

Last Supper: Relax and enjoy a shared lunch with the Pride!

Pride Fair: Turning junk into another person's treasure.



**15% Off for Wild Card holders**