

# NEWSLETTER WEEK 6 TERM 4 2023

Friday 17th November



Kia ora e te whānau,

You'll see there is a bit going on around our kura at the moment which is creating a real buzz for everyone. This week exterior paintwork has started on an entire repaint of the school over the next few weeks. Already, it has made a striking difference to the hall with the painting crew working at speed along the Dyer Street Side of our kura. Once school finishes, they will move internally into the school grounds to complete the job.

The cricket net is also coming along nicely with the concrete slab down and artificial turf in place. Ngā mihi to Tidy Slabs and Palmer and Cook for their support of this project so far. Our next step is to dig out the remainder of the run-up area, put in the base course and turf, and then get a net around the perimeter. This should be all done by the time we return to school next year.

We aim to confirm the new logo shortly, and then offer whānau the chance to buy sports tops for 2024. We are currently getting samples made and will have some for you to try on for your tamariki before Christmas. Orders will be made online via a Google form. We will expect these tops to arrive by mid-February. You can see a sample of the sports tops to the right.

From next week onwards, we will be trying a new system for children who arrive late to school. If your child is late, they must come to the office and sign in themselves on the Vistab System ( pad) Personally I have seen this system work well and it is accommodating to all ages once they know the process. One of the main reasons for this is our manual system of checking students as they arrive becomes difficult if the office are busy and we miss children as they come in. I will be sending a video out to the tamariki explaining the process on Monday.

We are now looking ahead to 2024 with great excitement. We have finalised class placements, teachers and class spaces. If you intend on leaving, please let us know so we can make any adjustments to any class lists, and on the flipside, if you are enrolling your tamariki or know of someone who is interested, please use the online enrolment form or grab a pack from the office.

I want to wish our Interzone Athletics students all the very best for their events on Tuesday.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

Lee Ewington  
Tumuaki/ Principal



## From the classrooms:

# ROOM FOUR

In Room four this term we have been learning several ti rākau Māori games which consist of the rhythmic throwing and catching of sticks (ti rākau) from person to person.

It has been a great way to learn new waiata as well as focus on our LEARN values of Never Giving Up and Everyone Together.

We have had lots of fun with this exercise, including having a laugh at when we drop the sticks as well as when we actually end up catching them.

Room four have shown great persistence and joy learning this new skill.



## From the classrooms:

# ROOM TWO

In Room 2, we have been learning about Te Whare Tapa Wha. We have learnt about how to look after our Taha Tinana, Taha Wairua, Taha Whanau and Taha Hinengaro. This is our physical, emotional, spiritual and social well-being. We have learnt and practiced different ways to take care of ourselves and help take care of each other. Last week, we continued our learning with Harold the Giraffe. We've had a lot of fun with yoga and affirmations to help our Taha Tinana and Taha Wairua.

Check out [Cosmic Kids Yoga](#) if you want to do some at home.



## From the classrooms:

# ROOM TEN

"In Room 10 we have been exploring the LEARN values. We have been talking about what the values mean, what they look like and how they make everyone feel. This has been our basis for writing where we have also discussed how we each show these values."



# DYER STREET SPORTS

## ZONE ATHLETICS

Last week, some of our senior students attended the zone athletics competition. It was a great day of sports and the weather was awesome. Below are our students who qualified for the next event as well as some of the amazing results from some other students.

Qualified for next event (top 6 placing)

Kap	Long Jump
Loccaydius	Quoit
Jax	High Jump
Shantell	Vortex
Faith	Quoit

### Other Highlights:

Malaesaili - 9th/39 in quoits

Jax - 7th/34 in long jump (5cm off qualifying)

Cairo - 9th/43 in quoits

Samira - 10th/28 in long jump



# 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)

**The next Link Up committee meeting is on Monday November 20th** held in the school library at 7:30 p.m. We will be looking at our fundraising calendar for 2024. We welcome new faces and attending doesn't commit you to anything! Feel free just to come along to chat with other DSS parents.

If you cannot attend but have some suggestions for fundraising or events please email [linkupdyerstreet@gmail.com](mailto:linkupdyerstreet@gmail.com)

Wine orders will close next week so if you want to take advantage of the fundraising offer please do so over the weekend.



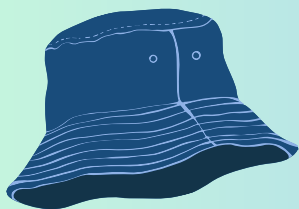
Thank you to everyone who supported our school Diwali celebration last Friday



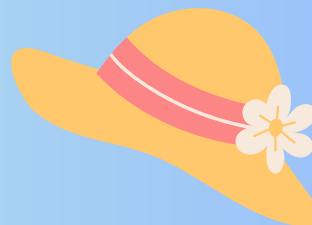
# Important Dates and Reminders

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

- Monday 20th November - Link Up Committee Meeting
- Tuesday 21st November - Interzone Athletics
- Wednesday 22nd November - Scholastic Book Orders Due
- Friday 1st December - Christmas Choir Performance at Shona McFarlane Retirement Home
- Wednesday 6th December - Friday 8th December - Year 5/6 Camp @ Kaitoke
- Thursday 14th December - Year 6 Graduation
- Friday 15th December (12 p.m.) - End of Term 4



**Hats!**



Please ensure your child has a wide brimmed or bucket hat that they have at school every day. It is best if they have one they can leave at school as we have many children each day not able to find their hat. Please name their hat clearly. Thankyou for supporting us to keep the children safe in our strong New Zealand sun while still making sure they have lots of healthy outdoors time.

# 2024 ENROLMENTS

**Friends or family thinking of starting their child at Dyer Street School in 2024?**

Please ask them to pick up an enrolment pack from the office or enrol online. We would love to know who will be starting in 2024 to help us with our classroom planning.

**Any families with children starting in term 1 2024 need to make contact with the school office as soon as possible.**

## SUN SMART

Simple tips for being sun smart:

- **Slip** into a shirt or shade
- **Slop** on some sunscreen
- **Slap** on a hat that covers your face and neck
- **Wrap** on a pair of sunglasses



For more information:  
[www.sunsmart.org.nz](http://www.sunsmart.org.nz)

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If you are a household with a school-aged child and no Internet or know of a household like this, we can arrange everything needed to connect the household to the Internet.

Internet at no cost to you.

# TECH SUPPORT

Our experienced team offers free technical support for your home devices. We are available to answer your questions, give guidance or help you fix any issues.

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8am - 7pm.

 0800 441 844

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The EDOS connection team will speak to you to organise your new Internet connection.

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You will receive an Internet modem at your house with instructions to get it up and running.

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