

Newsletter

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Kawanga Responsibility

"A canoe in which we all paddle together.

We are all in this together, and everyone shares the responsibility to keep moving."



Unlawful Entry

While a teacher was working at school on Sunday we had a male who made an unlawful entry into a number of our school rooms at 4:40pm.

The male spent a significant amount of time checking out doors and looking through windows. He also rode a bike around the dome. He made an unlawful entry into our building and while there, stole a large amount of equipment including 3 keyboards, 2 mouse, an iPad plus other items valued over \$2,000.

He was accompanied at a later time by 2 other males (one wearing a local school uniform top) and 1 female. All these were of college age. Our security cameras have provided us with clear facial and body pictures of the 4 youths.

I am requesting that families of these young people return all the stolen equipment by Wednesday. These youths departed from the school carrying the stolen gear at 5:17pm via the Foster Crescent gate. 2 went up David Street and 2 went to the right along Foster Crescent.

Upcoming Events

- Tuesday 18 August**
 - Rooms 8, 9 & 12
 - Trip to Morrinsville Museum
- Wednesday 19 August**
 - Rooms 7, 10 & 11
 - Trip to Morrinsville Museum
- Tuesday 25 August**
 - BOT Meeting 5:45pm
- Friday 28 August**
 - Daffodil Day
- Tuesday 8 Sept**
 - Snow Camp departs
- Friday 11 Sept**
 - Snow Camp returns
- Wednesday 16 Sept**
 - Piako Festival
- Thursday 17 Sept**
 - Soccer Hockey Funday (Postponement date: Fri 18th Sept)
- Tuesday 22 Sept**
 - BOT Meeting 5:45pm
- Friday 25 Sept**
 - Last Day or Term 3

BEST ATTENDANCE CLASS OF THE WEEK

**CONGRATULATIONS TO
ROOM 9 ON THEIR 95%
ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK.
THEY WILL BE REWARDED
WITH A DELICIOUS CAKE!**

Reports

Thanks you to all those who attended our recent parent teacher meetings. Reports will be sent home with children on Friday if they are not collected before then.

Ooshies

Please do not bring your Ooshies to school. These are something that need to be kept at home. If you have extras to share or would like to trade, please do this outside of school.

Junior School Museum Trip

As part of their class programmes, our Junior classes have planned a trip to the Morrinsville Museum.

Notices have gone home and parent helpers are required on the day. Please return the form if you are able to assist. There is a gold coin donation required. Please bring this on the day. Children need to be wearing correct school uniform and wearing shoes (and bring their school jacket).

The schedule for the visits is:

Tuesday 18th August:

Room 8 - 9am-10:30am

Room 9 - 10am-11:30am

Room 12 - 11am-12:30pm

Wednesday 19th August:

Room 7 - 9am-10:30am

Room 10 - 10am-11:30am

Room 11 - 11am-12:30pm



Year 7 Vision Screening Information Sheet

Vision Hearing Technicians from Community and Southern Rural Health will be visiting our school. The objective of the vision check is to identify previously undetected vision defects.

The check that is carried out is long distance vision tests on all Year 7 students.

If any parents/caregivers **do not** want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a vision defect, they should let the school know asap.

This will not be a complete vision examination, but a simple screening test. When an unsatisfactory result is obtained, it will be necessary for the Technician to obtain personal details ie; home address and date of birth, and parents/caregivers will be asked to seek further advice as per our School Record Information Check and Update form.

Te Whatu Ora may share health information gathered in this way with other Health Professionals involved in the student's care.

Virtues

The following children's names were drawn out for virtue rewards:

Junior: Mila McCormack, Room 10 for showing the virtue of RESPONSIBILITY : KAWANGA

Middle: Kylah Jackson, Room 11 for showing the virtue of RESILIENCE : HIRANGA

Senior: Khean Balaba, Room 4 for showing the virtue of DILIGENCE : PUKUMAH
Julian Te Hau Tanawhea, Room 5 for showing the virtue of RESILIENCE : HIRANGA

The children will join me at the Wagon Wheel for a Hot Chocolate.



HOCKEY

We are still looking for coaches for both teams. If you are able to help out, please let the school know as soon as possible. Without volunteers for these roles, we will unfortunately have to withdraw our teams from the competition.

Fees:

The registration fee is \$20 per child. Please make payment through the school office before the season begins.

Competition Details:

Venue: Morrinsville College Turf

Dates: Friday 7 August – Friday 18 September

Time: Games will be scheduled between 3:30 pm and 5:30 pm, depending on the draw and number of teams.

Duration: 7 weeks

Equipment Required:

Each child will need:

- A hockey stick
- Shin pads
- A mouthguard

We have a number of hockey sticks and shin pads available for children to borrow. If your child needs to borrow any equipment, please let me know.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to another great hockey season!

MORRINSVILLE SCHOOL HOCKEY

MS PIAKO

YEAR 3/4

1. TANNER WALKER
2. ARIA SPENCER
3. MACY LETT
4. CATTIVA GIBBONS
5. QUADE WENHAM
6. LORENZO MANULAT
7. LEO MULES
8. STEVIE PATON
9. ELLIE-ROSE FOSTER

MS TOPEHAEHAE

YEAR 5/6

1. GEORGIA THOMSON
2. ZOE VAN DE PAS
3. ANIKA-MAYE HOPE
4. WILLOW BENNETT
5. MACKENNA LETT
6. CASEY NOONAN
7. KAIZER TONER-HEAL
8. BRIAR WALKER



Matariki Planting at Parawera

What an incredible day spent at Parawera for our Matariki planting! Our amazing Year 7 & 8 tamariki worked tirelessly alongside students from Pukeatua Kura to plant 1,000 native trees along the riverbanks.

Everyone rolled up their sleeves, dug holes, and carefully planted native species including mānuka and kānuka, helping to restore and protect this special environment for future generations.

A huge thank you to Trees for Survival and Kathryn for guiding us throughout the day. Kathryn taught our tamariki not only how to plant trees correctly but also about the incredible work Trees for Survival does across our region to restore waterways and inspire young environmental guardians.

We are so proud of the teamwork, determination, and care our tamariki showed throughout the day. Every tree planted is a step towards a healthier environment and a lasting legacy for generations to come.