

# Thames South School

Newsletter- Term 2 Week 3, 2017

## From the Principal

Tēnā koutou katoa,

If you have been through the school recently, you may notice the questions popping up on our school sign. "Should Te Reo Māori be compulsory in Schools?" "Should we have a school uniform?" "Should we go back to having school houses ( whanau groups) and should they still be named after birds?" So much to discuss and advocate for in our school environment. These and the new ones to come, are there to encourage discussions, build points of view and doing our part to see things that need to be changed and do something about it. Thank you to those of you who have joined in the conversation. We can make a difference when we put our mind to it!

Whaea Kim

## Gifted and Talented Programmes Embrace our Strengths.



### Tikitime Nikau Husks

Tamihana working on his 3D artwork under the guidance of Whaea Claire du Bosky.



### Building Resilience through sport

Matua Lawrence back on deck with our middle school enthusiasts.



### Happy Hearts

Our Junior Explorers making pastry hearts, Camelia-Faye icing her Mothers' Day pressie.

## Mothers Day Duffy Award

This year to choose the Duffy Mothers Day Book Award, we put out a challenge to students to write about their Mothers in poetic ways. The winning poem this year came from Sarah Kumeroa in Room Two. The exciting book 'Rants in the Dark' written by Emily Writes has been sent home for her Mother.

## Gymfest 2017

Gymfest Muster this Fri 19th Lunch time room 7

If you are yr 3 or up, have good listening skills and can work well in a team or individually if you choose Gymnastics, come and put your name down for one of the following disciplines:

- Gymnastics
- Cheerleading
- Hip-pop
- Aerobics

Parents/Caregivers: If you are interested in coaching, please contact me a.s.a.p.

Kia ora rā

Nā Whaea Miranda

## Adventure Zone Friday Fundraiser

Room 1 is fundraising for their camp at the end of the year and will be running a tuck shop every Friday. There's going to be a weekly menu of pizzas, sausage rolls, wedges, cookies, cupcakes and fried bread with a different special every week. Take your child's order form to Room 1 on Friday by 9.00 a.m. Place your money and order in an envelope - orders will be taken to their classroom at lunch time, if change is required, this will be given to the child with their order at lunch time as well.

## Teacher Only Day RE-RUN Community of Learning Symposium

We are going for a RE-DO of our Thames-Kauaeranga Community of Learning, on Tuesday 6th June, after the original date was called off because of Cyclone Cook. The day has been tacked onto the Queens Birthday break to help whanau. All schools across the town will be closed on this day. **This means NO SCHOOL for students on Tuesday 6th June.**

## Kiwican News

Kia ora whanau

Wow week three already. It was great to see all our tamariki smiley faces after a longer break than expected. With the road closures on the Thames Coast towards the end of last term we unfortunately were unable to make it down the coast to Thames South School for Kiwi Can.

In the first week of this term with the help of our Thames based Kiwi Can leader Emma Hawkins we managed to double up with Emma doing our recap lesson on the Tuesday and Gemma and Jasmine doing prize giving and games day, where we celebrated the success of our Kiwi Canners of the term giving them a reward for being the amazing respectful learners they are.

In our second week of Kiwi Can we had to work together as a team in our formation lines to solve the Kiwi Can puzzle once again, we do this in different ways at the start of every term to reveal what we will be focusing on for the term. Our puzzle pieces revealed our Theme "**Resilience**" and we know that Resilience means "Coping with challenges and bouncing back" and our Catchphrase.....

**"Keeping calm and in control, helps us all to reach our goals".**

**"Kiwi Can says... Stop... Think... Go..!"**

Ask your child what the theme and catchphrase means to them.

Until next time remember "If anyone can a Thames South Kiwi Can"

Ka kite ano from the Kiwi Can Team.

## BIKE MAINTENANCE Working Bee

CAN YOU HELP? We have had a couple of volunteers, but we are still looking for people to come in and work on our fleet of bikes to keep them up to standard for our students to ride every day. Please let the office know if and when you could help out. This could be in or out of school time.



**Te Haapai Oo  
Fundraiser**

Dutch Donuts (Oliebollen)  
for sale, Wednesday 24th  
May - \$2 for 5.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to pre-order  
\_\_\_\_\_ dutch donuts

I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(\$2 for 5)

Room \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Lunch Order - (Adventure Zone Fundraiser) please return the order and payment to the office before 9 a.m. tomorrow. One order form per child, additional forms are available from Room 1 or the office.**

Item	Flavours				Cost	Quantity
Pizza	Ham and Cheese		Meatlovers		\$2.00 each	
Sausage Rolls					\$1.50 each	
Wedges	With Sour Cream		With Cheese	Tomato Sauce	Sweet Chilli Sauce	\$2.50 each
Cup Cake	Vanilla				\$2.00 each	
Fry Bread	With golden syrup		With Jam		2 for 1.50	
Cookies	Chocolate Chip				\$2.50 each	
Special of the week	<b>No special this week</b>					
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