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A Big welcome to Hugh, Cooper and Emmett who have joined us at David Street School this week:
Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura o Rawiri.

Thank you to our parents for their positive engagement in our teachers remote meetings, **Whakawhānaungatanga**, as we gather important ideas about your children. Our wonderings, including 'What is the thing you most wish we knew about your child?' have brought some valuable insights and understandings to us. These meetings will conclude over the next few days.

MOE Guidelines - Covid

There has been a **significant change** to the MOE guidelines we are operating under this week, and we are expecting more before the weekend.

From now on... students and staff wearing masks will not automatically be deemed a CLOSE CONTACT if or when there is a confirmed Covid case in your child's class. Children who wear masks will now become CASUAL CONTACTS, and may still come to school.

It is possible, that in the case of a confirmed classroom case, all without masks will become Close Contacts and will be required to isolate at home. Fortunately, for now, we still have no confirmed cases of Covid.

Home and School update

Thank you to all the friendly new faces who joined our meeting last night, we welcome you to the team.

We have allocated some 'fun money' to each classroom in recognition that students haven't had a lot of school experiences due to covid. This can be used by the classroom to purchase board games, a treat, or an experience as approved by the classroom teacher with the emphasis on FUN.

During term one the Home and School have two fundraisers running.

1. **Couplands Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser.** Order forms will be coming home with your child next week. The options are traditional, choc or cranberry. All buns are \$5 per 6 pack. More details to come home with the pre-order form.
2. **A booklet of 5 raffle tickets** will also be coming home with students mid-March, the tickets will be \$2 each and with some awesome raffle prizes to be won.

Calling out to all our chefs in training to help us create a school recipe book, watch this space!

We thank you for your support, and wish to let you know there is no pressure to sell the hot cross buns or raffle tickets, if you do not wish to participate, please return the raffle tickets unsold.

Our next meeting will be held via google meet at 7pm, Wednesday 23rd March.

Link and details to come

- Home and School Committee DSS.



David Street School were the lucky recipients of \$500 from Wallace Gallery's Supporters Club Monthly Draw.

Our students are always so proud to exhibit their art or perform in front of an audience at the Wallace Art Gallery. We are extremely lucky to have access to this amazing venue in our community.

Senior & Middle Swimming Events Next Week

Next week we have our Competition Swimming for our Senior school children and Swimming Carnival for our Senior and Middle school children. Notices have gone home with children.

Senior Competition Swimming Monday 28th February at the Morrinsville Recreation Ground Pools. We have a total of 37 students attending. If your child is attending the Competition event they will have bought a notice home this week.

Senior Carnival Swimming Tuesday 1st March at the Morrinsville Recreation Ground Pools. For the Carnival event students will be split into 2 groups;

9am -11am: Year 5 students and 11am -1pm: Year 6 students

Middle School Carnival Event Tuesday 1st March at David Street School. Classroom teachers will have discussed details with children.

Please make sure children bring their togs, towel/s, drink bottle, an extra big lunch and a warm sweatshirt for when they are not swimming. It would also be helpful if children came to school with sunscreen already applied.

Unfortunately due to current covid restrictions, parents and whanau are unable to attend these events.

2022 School Term Dates

Term One: Tues 1 Feb to Wed 13 Apr. - **Teacher Only Day Thurs 14 Apr** - **Good Friday Fri 15 Apr**

Term Two: Mon 2nd May to Fri 8th July - **Queen's B'Day Holiday Mon 6 Jun** - **Matariki Public Holiday Fri 24 Jun**

Term Three: Mon 25th July to Fri 30th Sept

Term Four: Mon 17th Oct to Wed 14th Dec - **Labour Day Public Holiday 24 Oct**

School Office Hours

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Friday 8.00 am to 4.00 pm
Wednesday 8.00 am to 3.30 pm

School Hours for children

8.55am School begins
11:00am Morning Interval
12.30pm Lunch
1.30pm Afternoon Session
3.00pm School day ends





Road Safety

With the start of another school year and many students travelling to and from school it is timely to remind our school community to take care on the roads and footpaths around the school. The safety of our students is an ongoing concern for us.

On Monday one of our children was seen crossing the road into traffic. Our road patrol children and staff were on duty at the time but the student thought it better not to use the crossing. It was a heart stopping moment for all who saw it.

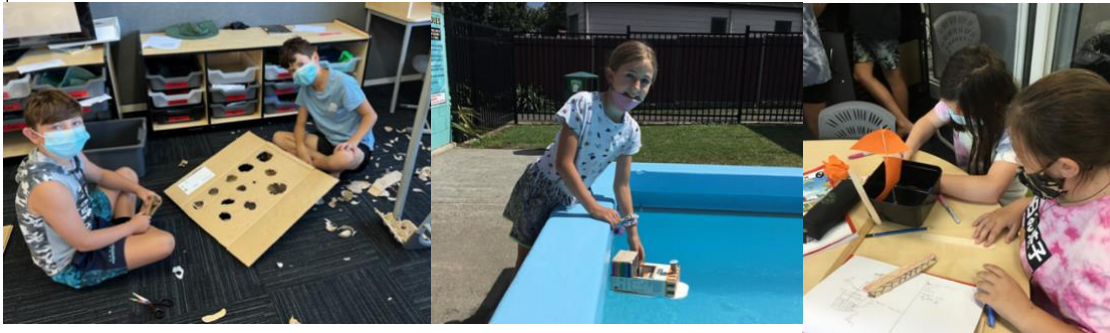
We constantly remind our students to abide by sensible road safe rules and have staff present at the beginning and end of the school day. We have two zebra crossings that are patrolled every school day by trained students and staff from:

8.10am – 8.45am and 3.00pm – 3.15pm every school day.

Please talk to your children about road safety and using the school crossing. Using the pedestrian crossings with your children while out also teaches them safe road crossing procedures.

Senior School Make it Monday

We had our first 'Make it Monday' mini sessions on Monday. The purpose of our Make it Monday sessions is to give our children hands on learning opportunities, focussing on working together. The senior children loved our Monday session, there were lots of smiles, with children mixing within their teams and making new friends.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Next Week - Look out for our Home & School Hot Cross Bun Order Forms.

Mon 28th Feb
(Yr 5/6) DSS Swimming Competition at the Morrinsville Rec Grounds

Tues 1st March
(Yr 3/4) DSS Swimming Carnival Swimming at David Street School

Tues 1st March
(Yr 5/6) DSS Swimming Carnival at the Morrinsville Recreation Grounds

Wed 13 April
Last Day of Term for students

Thurs 14th April
Teacher Only Day (COL Kahui Ako)
School closed to students

Fri 15th April
Good Friday School Closed

Term 2 begins Mon 2 May

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6 WEEKS

YEAR 1-4

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LOCATION	DAY	START DATE	TIME
Ngatea Domain, Ngatea	Monday	21-Feb-22	4pm
Pohlen Park, Matamata	Monday	21-Feb-22	4pm
Tairua School, Tairua	Monday	21-Feb-22	3.30pm
Centennial Park, Paeroa	Wednesday	23-Feb-22	4.30pm
Te Aroha College, Te Aroha	Wednesday	23-Feb-22	4.30pm
Whangamata Area School	Wednesday	23-Feb-22	3.15pm
Albert Park, Te Awamutu	Friday	25-Feb-22	5pm
John Kerfok Park, Cambridge	Friday	18-Feb-22	5.30pm
Morrinsville Recreation Ground	Friday	25-Feb-22	4.30pm
Rhodes Park, Thames	Friday	25-Feb-22	5pm
Waihi College, Waihi	Friday	25-Feb-22	4pm

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