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A reminder that school closes at 12.30 pm on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December**. Buses will be running at this earlier time  
The 2020 new school year commences on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2019**

## Values Awards

David Street School celebrates children who have been showing our values in their behaviour and actions at school.

Recipients of the **Principals Awards** were:



### Dee-Jay Wilson:

Dee-Jay received this award for always showing the values in everything she does.  
Well done Dee-Jay.

### Gemma Semmens:

For being a courageous learner. Gemma tries new things, adapts to change and has an amazing attitude towards her learning.

### Jordyn McAra:

Jordyn is a self-aware learner. She works hard to achieve her learning goals, seeking feedback. Jordyn you are such a role model!



## Ice Block Values Awards

Throughout the week we will also be looking at children who display our values in the playground. These children will go in the draw to receive a free ice block on Ice Block Friday.

**The recipients of our free ice block were:** Iro Ezekiel, Tyler Klinac, Finn O'Shea, Lucy Cryer, Charlie Atkinson

## CARE FOR KIDS

### Job Vacancies

**Casual Childcare Worker/Assistant  
Morning/After School/Holiday Programme.**

David Street School is looking to appoint new Casual Assistants for the morning, after school and holiday programme 'Care for Kids'. You will part of a team who will ensure the programme continues to run at a high level. Ideally you will have experience in working with children. Availability to work at short notice and/or a few afternoons a week would be advantageous.

A police check and safety check will be required.

For an application pack please see our website

[http://www.davidst.school.nz/1/notice\\_areas/3-vacancies](http://www.davidst.school.nz/1/notice_areas/3-vacancies)

or email [careforkids@davidst.school.nz](mailto:careforkids@davidst.school.nz) or phone the school office 07 889 7780.

Alternatively pop in and see our Manager, Pia, in the School Hall after school.

## CARE FOR KIDS

### HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

**A quality OSCAR approved Before, After School care and School Holiday programme at David Street School.**

**Taking enrolments now.**

**Cost: Full Day (early start) 7:15 – 5:30 - \$35**

**Half Day (5hrs or less) \$25**

**Dates (limited spaces available)**

The David Street School Care for Kids Holiday Programme will operate from 7:15am – 5:30pm

**Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec from 12.30pm (school early closing)**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec & Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec 7.15am -5.30pm**

And during the following 2 weeks

**Monday 20 January – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January– Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January**

## Ice-block Friday Tomorrow

Bring along \$1 and receive a yummy iceblock at lunchtime.





## ICAS Math and Writing Competitions

This year students from our senior school competed in the ICAS Writing Competition (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) and students from Year 4-6 in the ICAS Math Competition. Well done to all students.



### ICAS MATH Year 5

#### Distinction

Alex Hagoort

#### Participation

Louise Dijkstra, Seth Duncan, Ashlee Gallagher, Cameron Jeffrey, Emma Marshall, Kfir Rayhin, Eli Vette

### ICAS Writing Year 5

#### Distinction

Amber Bowers-Pirrie, Emily Fiebig, Ashlee Gallagher

#### Credit

Amy Bryant

#### Participation

Louise Dijkstra, Seth Duncan, Peyton Mark, Emma Marshall, Megan Mitchell, Esme Smith,



### ICAS Math Year 6

#### Credit

Corin Hansford, Mace Laurie, Elijah Rollerson, Alex Bale, Joel van den Anker

#### Merit

Brittney Hart,

Participation Zoe Aitchison, Lachlan Bill, Olivia Carruthers, Sabrina Chong, Ryleigh Flynn, Lukas Gaiger, Jack Hamilton, Alysa Isbister, Holly Kitching, Ryan Russell, Emma Smith, Dayner Sok,

### ICAS Writing Year 6

#### Distinction

Rhys Gibberd,

#### Credit

Lucas Hadj-Blaha, Jack Hamilton, Dayner Sok, Joel van den Anker

#### Merit

Brittney Hart, Jordyn McAra, Danielle Venter

Participation Zoe Aitchison, Jazmine Birchall, Brock Bishop, Daniel Brocksopp, Olivia Carruthers, Sabrina Chong, Ryleigh Flynn, Lukas Gaiger, Alysa Isbister, Holly Kitching,



### ICAS Maths Year 4

#### Credit

Evan Ellingford, Charlie Hadj-Blaha

#### Merit

Adam Robb, Harbir Singh

#### Participation

Wade Marsh, Travis Marshall, Amara Murti



### ICAS Maths Year 7

Two of our boys from Year 6 sat the Year 7 ICAS Math Assessment and received the following awards finishing in the NZ & Pacific 93 & 83 percentile

Distinction Lucas Hadj-Blaha

Credit Rhys Gibberd



## Otago Problem Solving Competition

Some of our students from Year 5 and 6 took part in the Otago Problem Solving Competition.

This is a competition aimed at Year 7 and 8 students. Children participating in the competition attempt to answer five questions in 30 minutes on each of five problem sheets. Congratulations to all those students who took part.



**Excellence** Lucas Hadj-Blaha

**Merit** Riley Westgate, Corin Hansford, Rhys Gibberd, Mace Laurie

**Participation** Joel Van den Anker, Elijah Rollerson, Jade Cook, Brittney Hart, Alex Hagoort, Alysa Isbister, Lukas Gaiger, Brock Bishop, Holly Kitching, Lachlan Bill, Alex Bale, Seth Duncan, Sabrina Chong, Josh Thomas-McCabe, Cameron Jeffrey (Yr5)



Please check the lost property that is located in the school hall.  
Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of the term.

## Dress-Up Day for Community House

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the sleigh. It was all boxed up and dropped off to Community House yesterday.

Community House were overwhelmed with the generosity shown, there are 37 families receiving the parcels and this will certainly help. Any items not used in their parcels, will be passed on to the Ezekiel Food Bank in Morrinsville.

Thank you again for your support.





## Week 9

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December Junior School Bowentown Trip

#### PROGRAMME:

- 8.15 am All going on trip to classrooms.
- 8.30 am Parent helpers meet outside R17 (safety matrix)
- 8.40 am Buses and cars depart.
- 10.10 am Arrive Bowentown. Morning tea.
- 10.30 am Investigating/exploring/ swim/sandcastle building in designated area.

*(We will only swim if it is warm enough)*

#### Noon Lunch

- 12.20pm Ice blocks, lolly scramble
- 12.50pm Change/Toilet.
- 1.00pm Roll call in class groups, board buses for home.
- 2.40pm Arrive at school



#### **EVERY CHILD WILL NEED TO BRING: (please name everything)**

- Togs, towel, rash shirt or t-shirt for wearing over togs when not in the water
- spare change of clothes (in separate plastic bag from togs so nothing gets lost)
- sweatshirt
- raincoat/jacket
- 2 drinks, morning tea, lunch
- please apply sunscreen at home and we will reapply
- **all children would be better with sandals/sneakers rather than jandals (for walking on the rocks)**
- *optional – a bucket and spade (named and in a plastic bag)*

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December Yr 6 Graduation Evening – 6.30pm – 8.00pm

The Year 6 social and graduation evening will be held in the evening of **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**. This is a time to celebrate the end of an important part of our Year 6 children's education

### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

#### **Whole School Celebration and Senior Prize Giving.**

This very special annual end of year event is taking place on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** at 9.30am – 11am (approx.). The programme includes performances by our kapa haka group and singing by the whole school. We also recognise our graduate Year 6 students with awards for our most outstanding achievers.

## Week 10 – Last Week of Term

### Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December -

#### **2020 Stationery Lists/Classroom Teachers**

Stationery lists will be going home with all children on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Each child's list will have their classroom teacher's name for 2020 on it. Stationery pre-made packs can be purchased from Paperplus should you wish to do so.

### Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December –

#### **Kowhai team Karangahake Gorge trip**

This term, on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** (the second to last day of school), we will all be spending the day at the Karangahake Gorge. Throughout the day, those students who have bikes will bike the track through the tunnel and gorge, while others will walk and explore the tunnel and Windows walk. We aim to leave school around 9.00am, with students travelling to the gorge by bus, and will be back at school in time for the buses at 2.45pm. The only associated cost with this trip will be a \$2 coin donation.

### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

School finishes 12.30pm



IT'S TIME TO RETURN THE  
**LIBRARY BOOKS.**

#### **Library Books**

We still have some library books to come in. Overdue notices have been given to children with overdue books. Can you please help them have a look at home. Thank you

#### **Classroom Readers**

Please also check for classroom readers. We seem to have a few still missing and would like these returned by the end of next week. These can be dropped off to the classroom or school office.

#### **Music Tuition 2020**

##### **Guitar Lessons**

Spaces available for Year 4 -6. Held on Fridays at school.

Contact Jane Fergusson ATCL, 0276584243 or russell.jane@xtra.co.nz

##### **Piano**

Edith Crispe has vacancies for piano lessons for 2019 at David Street School or at home.

Please contact Edith at 889 5620 or 021 1697253.

##### **MusiqHub**

MusiqHub Waikato is a group of music teachers who give lessons at our school. They teach guitar, ukulele, singing, modern keyboard and drums in groups, pairs or solo lessons, within school hours (between 9am & 3pm) usually on a Friday.

Please visit [www.musiqhub.co.nz](http://www.musiqhub.co.nz) to find out more information including how to register your child and cost of lessons. Phone 027 388 9558 email [carl.watkins@musiqhub.co.nz](mailto:carl.watkins@musiqhub.co.nz)

## Term Dates 2020

### **Term One**

**Mon 3 February - Thurs 9 April**

Waitangi Day Thurs 6 Feb- SCHOOL CLOSED

Good Friday 10 April - SCHOOL CLOSED

Easter Monday 13 April - within school holidays

Anzac Day OBSERVED Mon. 27 Apr - SCHOOL CLOSED

### **Term Two**

**Tues 28 April - Fri 3 July**

Queen's Birthday Mon 1 June - SCHOOL CLOSED

### **Term Three**

**Mon 20 July - Fri 25 Sept**

### **Term Four.**

**Mon 12 Oct - Tues 15 Dec**

Labour Day Mon 26 Oct - SCHOOL CLOSED



## Social Media

As we approach the school holidays and Christmas break we are encouraging our parents to involve themselves in their children's online space and be aware of what their children are doing and who they are connecting with online.

While many social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) have a **13+year old age limit**, these restrictions rely on children entering their real age. Other online platforms such as games and gaming consoles, have an open social contact aspect to them and are easy for children to access.

Netsafe encourage parents to:

1. **Understand:** Read about the potential online risks, challenges and sometimes illegal behaviour young people face to understand what may happen
2. **Learn:** Ask your child about what they do, how they use devices and who they talk to learn about their activities. Check in regularly to see what has changed
3. **Explore:** Take the time yourself to explore the sites, apps and technologies your child uses to improve your knowledge and understand their experience
4. **Agree:** Create a family code with your child to agree on what they can do online including sites to visit, appropriate behaviours, privacy settings and limits
5. **Start:** Recognise each child has unique needs, but some online safety concepts are universal. Start by teaching yours the Five tips to help your child thrive
6. **Model:** Be a good example to your child. Make sure you role model the sort of behaviours you want to see your child use online and offline
7. **Plan:** Make a plan so everybody knows what to do if something goes wrong and where you will be able to get advice and support in challenging times

*(taken from [netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/](https://www.netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/))*

We would also encourage parents to be aware of the challenges that students could face online, particularly around Online bullying, unwanted unknowing contact from strangers. Please be aware of who your children are contacting / friending online, and ensure they are known to you.

If you want to develop your knowledge further we would encourage you to look at [www.netsafe.org.nz](https://www.netsafe.org.nz)

## End Of Year Reporting

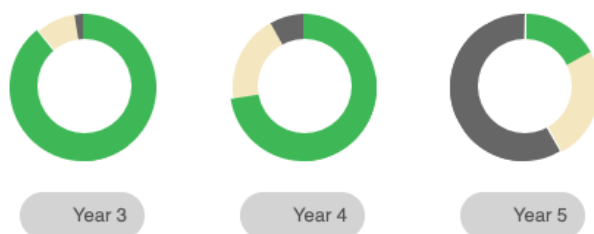
The end of 2019 has seen us conclude our first complete year of our new way of reporting online.

Moving away from paper reporting twice a year to a more real time style of reporting has been a powerful approach with many benefits for our parents and students. We value the feedback that people share with us in the aim of improving this platform.

Details on how to login to your student's account can be found on our school website, and can be accessed on any device.

On Tuesday 10th December achievement information in the form of dials (green circles which reflect the NZ Curriculum), and the final General Comment will be available on your students profile.

We all know that learning does not happen in a straight line. No child is the same and we all learn in different ways and speeds. The dials aim to reflect this style of achievement. The image below demonstrates what achievement could look like for a student in Year 4. It is blended across 3 year levels. The key to the colours can be found above the dials. **Green** has been learnt, **yellow** is a goal that is progressing with teacher support, **grey** is yet to be learnt.



You will also find the final General Comment for the year from your child's teacher summing up the year. It is designed to support the accumulated posts throughout the year, recognising the academic, social and emotional progress and achievements your child has made in 2019.

If you desire a printed format of this report, you are able to login and print the report from the main page yourself, or please email [office@davidst.school.nz](mailto:office@davidst.school.nz) and we will endeavour to print a copy for you.

Throughout 2020 we will continue to progress the many ways we report to our community regarding their child's progress and achievement to ensure we are meeting the needs of all our parents.



## Sprint Results

5 Year Old Girls	5 Year Old Boys
1 <sup>st</sup> Charlee Fitzpatrick	1 <sup>st</sup> Nile Kesha
2 <sup>nd</sup> Emily Campbell	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tahiwi Minhinnick Aguilera
3 <sup>rd</sup> Londyn Gatman	3 <sup>rd</sup> Jake Beharrell
6 Year Old Girls	6 Year Old Boys
1 <sup>st</sup> Rosie Soffe	1 <sup>st</sup> Ryan Marshall
2 <sup>nd</sup> = Shae Barlow	2 <sup>nd</sup> Fynn Keogh
2 <sup>nd</sup> = Mya Silvester	3 <sup>rd</sup> Eli Galloway
7 Year Old Girls	7 Year Old Boys
1 <sup>st</sup> Mia Graham	1 <sup>st</sup> Dylan Hunt
2 <sup>nd</sup> Aubree Avery	2 <sup>nd</sup> Corey Hagoort
3 <sup>rd</sup> Olivia Rogers	3 <sup>rd</sup> Carter Janmaat

## Junior Athletics Day 2019

