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A Big welcome to the following students who have joined us at David Street School this week: Riani, Levi and Sam.
Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura o Rawiri.

Important Dates

Wednesday 4th March

DSS Swimming Competition

Thursday 5th March

DSS Swimming Carnival

Wednesday 11th March

Hearing & Vision Testing

Thursday 12th March

District Swimming Competition
Junior Water Fun Day 10-12:30

Friday 13th March

District Swimming postponement
day
Makuhari Student visit 10:15am

Sunday 22nd March

Piako Triathlon

Thursday 26th March

Sausage Sizzle

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Friday 3rd April

Gumboot Friday Awareness Day

Wednesday 8th April

End of term school day for
students

Thursday 9th April

Teacher Only Day

School Closed to Students

Friday 10th April

Good Friday

Term Two

Anzac Day OBSERVED

Mon 27 Apr - SCHOOL CLOSED

Term 2 starts Tues 28 April

Advance Notice of Teacher Only Days

You may be aware that the Ministry of Education, in accord with NZEI, allocated 8 Teacher only Days to Primary and Secondary Schools to use over the next 3 years.

There are huge changes in education that will impact on the curriculum and our school has a continuous professional development programme in place to facilitate these changes.

The Teachers Only Days are required for experts to work in depth with our staff for extended periods of time.

The Board of Trustees have approved the following days for Teachers Only Days:

- **Thursday 9 April** (Mathematics Focus)
- **Friday 29 May** (Community of Learning Day: Cultural Responsiveness.)

David Street School will be **closed on both of these days.**

Illness at school



Unfortunately, with the start of the school year come bugs. We have had a few children come to school unwell and it is therefore a good time to remind everyone of school policy around sickness.

Children with the following symptoms may be deemed as unwell for school;

- Elevated temperature, Diarrhoea and/or Vomiting, Continual streaming of discoloured mucous from the nose, Respiratory difficulties, Excessive coughing, High pitched wheezy chesty or laboured breathing, or generally unwell and unfit to be at school

Children should be kept home from school if they have been vomiting and /or had diarrhoea and should not return until they are well and have had **at least 48 hours of no vomiting or diarrhoea.** These bugs are spread via hands to mouths.

Absent Children

If your child is going to be absent, please phone the office before 8.50am, and leave a detailed message on our answer phone. In line with ministry policy you do need to let us know that your child is going to be absent and the reason your child is away.

If your child is not at school, and we are not sure why, someone from the office will give you a call. Unexplained absences are marked as truant.



Come and Join our Home & School Committee!

We are a group of parents/caregivers that put together fundraising events that benefit our children at school and in the community.

We co-ordinate and run things like Discos, Sausage Sizzles and Chocolate Fundraisers.

Being a member of the Home & School is a meaningful way of supporting your children's learning.

We need new members. Our aim is to have at least one caregiver from each classroom join us.

**Get together with your DSS friends
and come along.
Tuesday 10th March 7pm
In the staffroom.**



Ice-block Friday Tomorrow

Bring along \$1 and receive a yummy iceblock at lunchtime.
All money made from our Iceblock Fridays go towards our Arts programmes at school.

Swimming Events

Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th March

Your senior or middle school child will have bought home a notice this week regarding whether they are in the Carnival or Competition Swimming events.

If for sincere reasons your child cannot swim on either of those days, then they must bring a note.

All children will need to bring 2 towels, warm jumper, water to drink and a larger morning tea/lunch than normal. We are encouraging the children to wear their togs under their clothes to school if possible to save time when we get to the pools. They will wear their David Street hats when they are not swimming and we encourage them to come to school with sunscreen already applied.

DSS Swimming Competition – Middle and Senior

When: Wednesday 4th March

Where: Morrinsville pools at the Recreation Grounds.

Time: Events begin at 9:30am. We will leave school at 9am by bus and finish at 1.30pm approx.

DSS Swimming Carnival – Middle and Senior School

When: Thursday 5th March.

Where: Morrinsville pools at the Recreation Grounds.

Time: 9.45-2.15 Students will leave school at 9.10 and travel by bus to the pool.

Junior Water Fun Day

Thursday 12th March 2020 10.30am – 12.30pm

Our junior school will be having their annual 'Water Fun Day' at the Morrinsville Pools.

The timetable will run as follows:

- All junior classes to bus down to the pools at 10.15am
- 'Water Fun' from 10.30am – 12.00pm
- Lunch 12.00pm – 12.30pm
- All junior classes to return to school by bus.

The pool will be closed to the general public. We will have access to the shallow end of the 50m pool, the children's pool and toddler's pool. There will be a selection of fun based water activities including, water pistols. There will also be some non-water based activities for the children to enjoy.



Gumboot Friday 3rd April

On Friday the 3rd April we will be showing our support for Gumboot Friday by helping to raise awareness for people struggling with depression.

Depression can feel like walking through mud every day. Show your support. Put your gumboots on, and take a walk in their shoes for just one day.

It's a fun way for kids to join in the mental health conversation.

Values Awards

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



Recipients of the **Principals Awards** were:

Paige Graham:

Paige showed courage during swimming by trying new skills, being responsible for practising what she has learnt and persevering when things get hard. Well done Paige.

Ayla Bartrum:

Ayla consistently shows respect to her peers and teachers. She has beautiful manners, and is kind and caring. Ayla uses her initiative and is always willing to help.

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:** Rosie Soffe, Maddie Hedley, Vienna Kennedy, Harrison Marsh, Aqua-Lee Rangi



New Container

With the lack of storage space we have purchased a new container from Container Works Morrinsville. This will be of huge benefit to the school.

We would like to thank Paul Adams from Container Works, Adam Norman from Norman Transport who delivered the Container, Piako Bobcats who cleared the path to get the container to its new site and Chris Henson's team who put it in place.

Lunches and Snacks at School



David Street School advocates for the eating of healthy food and snacks at school for brain break, morning tea and lunchtime.

If children are making their own lunches, it is a good idea to monitor what they are putting in their lunch box.

Lunchboxes should contain a healthy balance of ingredients to help children remain focused and energized all day, for example;

sandwiches, vegetables, fruit, baking.

Chocolate bars, lollies etc should be a sometimes food as a treat at home and not a school time food item.

A drink bottle that can be filled with water is also a helpful addition.

School Banking.

Students are invited to join up with ASB School Banking. Deposits are made at the drop box in the school office and taken to ASB Bank each Friday. Information packs and registration forms are available at the office.

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

Piako Triathlon at Morrinsville Recreation Grounds.

Sunday 22nd March 2020

Entries are open to register for the annual Piako Triathlon which will be held on Sunday 22nd March 2020 at the Morrinsville Recreation Grounds.



Register online at www.piakotriathlon.com limited spaces available.

DSS has the opportunity to earn \$800 for the school by providing 30 volunteers marshalls on the morning of the triathlon.

Your role will be to guide and support the competitors in the event.

To secure this funding for our school we need you to confirm you are happy to help or this funding will be offered to another organization or school.

Rally up your teenagers, grandparents and whanau and gain their support. Either drop a note into the school office with your contact details or txt message Sharon Bryant 0212239252.

Double Gold for Mason!

Last Friday and Saturday Mason Hapi (a middle school student at David Street School) competed at the Oceania Open Brazillian Jiu-Jitsu Tournament held in Auckland.

The Oceania Open is an International event for all ages and grades in Brazillian Jiu-Jitsu.

Mason placed 1st in NoGi on the Friday, and 1st in Gi on Saturday for his division! He is also 15-0 on the NZ Grappler tournament website.

Mason is to be congratulated for his dedication, effort and his success, and most importantly the sportsmanship displayed in these events.



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9:45am - Meet at Main Car Park (rider briefing, group sorting and tip of the week)

10am - Group Rides leave main car park

12pm - Groups return to BBQ Area (depending on skill level you may return earlier)

- Recommended Age 8 to 15 (Adults welcome to join the ride)
- Under 8's must be accompanied by riding, walking or running adult
- Bring a drink bottle/camelbak & any medication you may need
- Bikes must be suitable for off road use & in good working order
- Helmets and shoes compulsory (No exceptions)
- No cost for the rides but donations & new members are welcome
- Stay after the ride for a sausage sizzle and drink – Cash Only
- Rides are on rain, hail or shine



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