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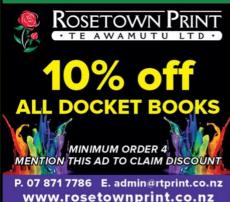
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# Newsletter 8 July 2021

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Our busy term has come to an end. School finishes tomorrow, Friday 9 July at the normal time of 3pm. We wish everyone a safe and happy two-week break and will see your children back at school on Monday 26 July.

Our staff were thrilled recently to see our school kuia, Te Ao Marama Maaka, being acknowledged for her extraordinary work in a feature article in the government's official Education Gazette.

Our kuia has worked tirelessly with such expertise, generosity and dedication with David Street School staff, children, and whanau, and also our other schools and education centres across Morrinsville and beyond for more than half a century. We were so pleased, that we decided as a staff to celebrate her work by inviting her to morning tea, which we did on Monday morning.

As can appropriately sometimes happen, the morning tea grew at the last minute into something very special, with Te Ao Marama being supported by some friends and whanau, our senior kapa haka group, staff and board.

Te Ao Marama has shared so many gifts of knowledge and aroha over a great many years. The fruits of her work are now interwoven and visible within our unique values and learner centred, inclusive culture of learning we are so fortunate to enjoy.

He wahine purotu

He wahine ngakau

He wahine rangimarie

He taonga ko Te Ao Marama Maaka

Below is the beautiful poem gifted to Te Ao Marama - written by Yr 6 student Lola Sheehan







### Te Āo Marama Maaka - Our Kuia

He wahine mākoha, he rangatira ia. That is Te Āo Marama Maaka, an extraordinary person.

Te Āo Marama is one of a kind, always there at the right time.

She makes people cheer up when they are
feeling down with her big, warm,
smile which I must say is amazing. Her glasses make her glowing eyes
shine more than they already do.
Her short brown, silky hair flows like a river reaching down to her

Her short brown, silky hair flows like a river reaching down to her ears. Her tight hugs make you feel safe and that nothing can harm you.

She's an awesome cultural adviser and educator for our community. She talks to us about tīkanga Māori so that we can learn and grow our knowledge for te reo. Because of her commitment to young people, many have been encouraged and inspired to try kapa haka. Te Āo Marama has an amazing ability to make connections with everyone and make friends with them. Wherever she goes she can talk to people no matter what and lets them know that she will be there to help wherever and whenever.

Te Āo Marama is a very humble, wise lady that I look up to and there's no doubt about it. She is one of those people who go above and beyond, more than the ordinary person always giving 1000% percent. That's why I look up to Te Āo Marama.

Me Mahi Tahi Tātou Mo Te Oranga O Te Katoa We should work together for the wellbeing of everyone By Lola Sheehan

### Join us tomorrow and dress in Green



July is Arthritis Awareness Month. We are having a Green Day at DSS for Juvenile Arthritis Awareness. Join us and Dress in Green as we support our friend llah and raise awareness for Juvenile Arthritis.

Not a lot of people know that even kids get arthritis.





### **Milo Friday Tomorrow**

Bring along \$1 and a cup for a mile before school.

Be at school nice and early to get your milos before 8.45am beside the school hall.

### Coming up in Term 3 Monday 26 July – Term 3 starts

### Lunchtime Eating in the Middle and Senior School next term.

We are going to trial a new lunchtime eating system that works well in other schools and allows our students to eat lunch when they want to, not when we make them. We have a lot of children who don't eat their lunch as it has only been 1 hour since morning tea, and they just want to head off and play.

Our lunchtime bell will go at 12:30pm as normal and students will have the option of sitting down and eating their lunch as they normally would or heading straight out and playing.

We will then ring a handbell at 1:20pm which will signal that all senior and middle school students will need to return to the lunch eating area to sit down and finish any food they have left or eat their lunch if they have not started already.

The bell will then go at 1:30 as normal to signal a return to learning.

We are hoping this allows those who don't eat their lunch to have time to come back and eat and settle down before returning to learning.

### Monday 2 August & Wednesday 4 August (Week 2)

### **Shared Learning Conversations**

At David St School we are a community of courageous learners, and the time is fast approaching where our students and teachers wish to share this with you.

Our aim for 2021 is to engage with every whānau and family about your child's growth as a learner to date.

### Shared learning and conversations is an important time for:

- Our students to be courageous learners by;
  - Sharing and communicating their learning with Whanau
  - o Taking responsibility and pride in their learning and achievements
- Students, parents and teachers to engage in dialogue about
  - o Academic learning and the next learning steps.
  - Social and emotional wellbeing at school
  - o Attitude and effort
- Anything else that, as whanau, you wish to share with us.

### **HOW WILL WE DO THIS?**

### Learning Conversation with your child's teacher.

Teachers and parents will have the opportunity to discuss learning, next steps, goals and how your child is progressing towards meeting the relevant curriculum level.

To accommodate this we have a range of options for you to choose from;

### You are able to select one of the following:

- Face to Face Parent/ teacher conversation:
- Student Parent Teacher conversation, 15 minute time slots, booked online
   Monday 2 August 3.15 -5.00. 5.45 7.00 pm & Wednesday 4 August 3.15 -6.00pm

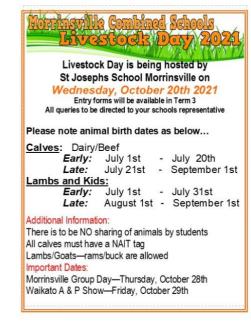
- Phone call to discuss learning at an agreed time with the classroom teacher
- Zoom meeting- arranged at an agreed time with the classroom teacher

If you cannot make it into school or times do not suit

Please Note: Room 17 & 18 will not be having online bookings for Learning Conversations. Your child's teacher will email you to book a time.

### **Tuesday 31st August** (Week 6)

Health & PE Curriculum Parent Evening 6:30pm in Te Ao Marama





Book Your Learning Conversation with your Child's Teacher at this link: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Enter the code **jafkg** and click **GO**.

If you are unable to book a time online please phone the school office on 889-7780 and we can book a time to suit you.

### **Guitar Concert at Wallace Art Gallery**

Last weekend music teacher, Jane Fergusson, took her guitar students to the Wallace Gallery for an annual concert. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to perform in front of an audience.

Jane holds guitar lessons at David Street School during school time, usually on a Friday.

Contact Jane Fergusson ATCL\_0276584243

or russell.jane@xtra.co.nz











# Thank you Morrinsville Knitter Knatters.

Every year Morrinsville Knitter Knatters donate beautiful knitted slippers to keep our feet cosy in the classroom.

Room 19 are really loving their slippers.



### **Congratulations Mason**



Mason Hapi recently competed at the NZ Grappler Wellington Winter Championship regionals picking up two gold medals!

He is now preparing for the Bay of Plenty Open in two weeks-time before heading to the North and South Island Championships in September.

Well done Mason!

### **Author Visit**

Junior school were excited to have Waikato author Amy Harrop visit. This was a special treat to finish off their learning around Authors and Illustrators.

Amy read her book "There's a Hedgehog in My Pants", spoke about being an author, answered lots questions and inspired the author in our children.

We were excited to learn that Amy Harrop has a new book coming out soon.





### **READING WITH ROTARY AWARDS**

Morrinsville Rotary Club and Paper Plus Morrinsville are kindly sponsoring prizes to promote reading in our school and other local schools.

Each term a student from the junior, middle and senior school will be awarded a prize for significant reading progress.

The awards for making significant progress in reading this term went to:

**Alex McIntyre:** Alex received his award for being a self-aware reader. He is more willing to give tricky words a go and can hear when his reading doesn't make sense, he will go back and fix his mistakes.

**Mason Davie:** Mason received his award for being determined with his reading.

**Evelyn Stone:** (absent on the day) Evelyn has gone from Level 11 in March to Level 15! She loves reading.

Last chance to purchase a DVD of our fantastic production 'Goodnight Kids', please fill out the form below and return to school tomorrow, Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. The show was filmed and edited by David Street School. *DVD's cost \$10 each.*Students will be notified when their DVD has arrived.

### Goodnight Kids DVD Order Form \$10.00 each

Student Name:		_
Class & Teacher:		_
Amount of DVD's you'd like to purchase:	Total cost:	



Payment (circle one): EFTPOS / Cash / Internet Banking (David Street School 12-3437-0000066-00)

### **NETBALL** - Draws for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July

### Year 3 & 4

3:40 pm Court 2:

DSS Ferns v Gordonton Braves 3:40 pm Court 3:

DSS Mystics v Tatuanui Bronze 3:40 pm Court 4:

DSS Tactics v Tahuna All Stars 3:40 pm Court 6:

DSS Magic v Tahuna Magic

### Year 5 & 6

4:30 pm Court 6: DSS Thunderbirds v DSS Force 5:30 pm Court 4:

Tahuna Rockets v DSS Stars

### HOLIDAY DANCE WORKSHOP

A fun 3 day workshop for ages 7 - 13 (school years 2 - 8). Jam-packed with all the exciting parts of dance - including hip hop, jazz, contemporary, costume crafts, and more!

9am - 3pm, on the 12th, 13th, & 14th of July,at the Morrinsville Intermediate hall.

No previous dance experience required - just energy and a creative mind.

Text Seren Stevens on 02040905362 to register, or visit the Studio Active School of Dance on Facebook or Instagram page for more information.

Limited spaces available.



### **Entertainment Books**

David Street School are selling digital Entertainment Books again this year. There are a few options when purchasing, whether you are exploring locally, all of NZ, or you may want the Australian option aswell. So pop on to the link and have a look. Promote us to your friends and family.

We really appreciate your support. https://nz.entdigital.net/orderbooks/158v329

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Due to increasing costs over the past couple of years, including the recent minimum wage increase, we have reluctantly found it necessary to increase the fees for our Before and After School Care and Holiday programmes.

As of 26th July 2021, the hourly rate for Before School and After School Care will be increasing from \$7.50 to \$8.00 per hour for permanent bookings. If your child/ren are booked for full time afternoon care - e.g 3.00 pm to 5.30 pm everyday, the weekly discounted rate will increase from \$80.00 per week to \$85.00 per week.

As of the 4th October 2021 the Holiday Programme will be increasing from \$35 to \$40 for a full day (Over 5 hours) and from \$25 to \$30 for a half day (5 hours or less)

New Charges as at

Care for Kids charges/Fees	Current charges	26th July 2021
Morning Programme		
7.30am - 8.30am	\$7.50	\$8.00
7.15am - 8.30am	\$10.00	Unchanged
Afternoon Programme		
Hourly	\$7.50	\$8.00
Full time 3pm-5.30pm Mon-Fri	\$80.00	\$85.00
Causal booking fee	\$1 per hour	\$1 per session
Holiday programme	Current charges	New Charges as at 4th Oct 2021
Over 5hrs per day	\$35.00	\$40.00
Under 5hrs per day	\$25.00	\$30.00



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

The Care for Kids Holiday Programme for Term 1 will run as follows:

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

To enroll your child please go to our online enrolment site https://enrolmy.com/care-for-kids

Or contact Pia 0273 691263 or email careforkids@davidst.school.nz

Please book early as there are limited spaces available.