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## Athletics Day Monday 15 November

Athletics Day for our **Year 3 through to Year 6 children** is on Monday. A few reminders:

- Children should wear clothing appropriate for athletics and bring along a drink bottle.
- It would also be appreciated if you could apply sunscreen before your child comes to school.
- Unfortunately due to Level 2 requirements parents are unable to attend.
- We have pencilled in a postponement day of Wednesday 17 Nov should the weather not be kind to us.

## School Photos

Team Photos – **Tues 16th Nov. -Cancelled**

Class & Individual Photos –  
Fri 19th Nov. Going Ahead



## Important Information Regarding Photos

**Please note: Team photos have now been cancelled.** The photographer who was booked is in Level 3. Due to the uncertainty of the rest of the Waikato moving to Level 2 we have spoken with PhotoLife and the hard decision was made to cancel Team photos this year.

**Great News! - Class and Individual photos are booked for Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November and we have been able to get Level 2 Photographers to take them, so these will go ahead no matter the Level.**

## PhotoLife Photos (under Level 2 conditions)

This year photographs will be available for you to view and order On-Line with PhotoLife Studios. Photolife will email you a unique Access Key. This Access Key will display all the photographs of your child. It is then an easy process for you to shop on-line and purchase the photographs you want.

## Sibling Photos

Unfortunately under Level 2 conditions, only siblings currently at David Street School will be able to have their photos taken together.

If you are planning on having sibling photos of your DSS children, **please request a sibling order form from the school office.**

**Monday 15th November**  
Year 3-6 Athletics

Both of these events will go ahead however *parents will not be able to attend* unfortunately. We will share as many photos and stories as possible with you.

**2nd December**  
Junior Athletics

Intermediate Orientation Day  
**For our current Year 6 Students attending Morrinsville Intermediate in 2022.**

**This day has been cancelled.**

- Year 6 students will not be able to visit this year.
- Mrs Clark (Principal) and Mrs Devane (Deputy Principal) will visit the Year 6's later this term to share the names of their next year's teacher.

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
Year 6 Social Dance and Graduation

This event will continue but sadly without parents. This will be an evening event, and there will be lots of group photos to share with families later.

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December**  
Senior Prize Giving

This event will go ahead however *parents will not be able to attend* unfortunately. We will live stream the awards ceremony and take photos which we will share to our Year 6 families.

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Middle School Celebration**  
**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Juniors 'Wheels and Toys Day'**  
**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Senior School 'Wheels Day'**

A Fun Day for each of our teams where together, children, and teachers can celebrate the year.

**Tuesday 14th December**

**Last Day of Term 4** School will finishes at 12.30 p.m.

**Tomorrow Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

Tomorrow Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> November we are **DRESSING in BLUE** to show our support for our school friends and whānau who have diabetes.



**Come to school in blue and show your support too. Please don't buy anything, get creative with what you have.**



### Level 3 Families

We love catching-up with our DSS students and families who cannot be with us at school and see how they are doing.

We hope things settle down for your return to school very soon.

Families....keep up the amazing work you are doing, please remember do not hesitate to contact your classroom teachers if there is anything more you need from us.



This is Kaedyn from Room 15. Kaedyn lives in Level 3 and has been unable to come to school. He has been keeping himself busy at home with school work, exploring, helping out on the farm and riding his bike. Kaedyn really misses school and his friends at DSS. We can't wait to see him back too.

Harper, Levi and Mason are missing their friends so much, and are looking forward to coming back to school.

They are lucky that they have been able to FaceTime friends from time to time. Harper has also had zoom chats with her class.

Mum and Dad are both working this lockdown, so school work is done when they can. They are lucky to have their Nana helping with school work every Tuesday and Wednesday.

Harper loves being on the farm and spends most of her day on the farm with Dad. Levi and Mason like hanging out around the home. They have built many forts and dug lots of holes, looking for fossils. They have all been baking, swimming, biking and walking.



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### Well Done Lynette Ralph for Being So Courageous.

If you hadn't seen our previous newsletters, Lynette took part in 'Shave for a Cure'.

In memory of her Dad, Philip Ralph, and to raise money for all other individuals and families afflicted by blood cancers in New Zealand, she had her hair shaved last weekend.

Lynette's goal is to raise \$1000 and she is nearly there. Thank you to everyone who has donated so far, I know Lynette really appreciates your support.

To read more on her journey or to donate, go to the link below:

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Room 21 has been learning about Diwali and have made lanterns to celebrate.

Diwali is the Festival of Lights. Millions of Hindus around the world, including those in New Zealand, celebrate Diwali with gifts, lights, fireworks, and special meals.

In India at this time of year, little, twinkling diyas (or lamps), light the entire country, symbolising light over darkness.



### Hockey

We had 7 Hockey Teams compete in the local Year 3-6 Hockey Tournament held in Term3/4. A big thank you to the Morrinsville College organisers for an amazing season and making it work around Level changes so everyone could continue playing. Thank you again to coaches and managers who gave up their time so our teams could play.



### 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



### Term Dates 2022

**Term One** - Tuesday 1 February - Thursday 14 April

- Auckland Anniversary Monday 31 January - SCHOOL CLOSED
- Waitangi Day Observed Monday 7 February- SCHOOL CLOSED
- Good Friday 15 April - SCHOOL CLOSED
- Easter Monday and ANZAC Day fall during the Term 1 school holidays.

**Term Two** - Monday 2 May - Friday 8 July

- Queen's Birthday Monday 6 June - SCHOOL CLOSED
- Matariki Friday 24 June - SCHOOL CLOSED

**Term Three** - Monday 25 July - Friday 30 September

**Term Four** - Monday 17 October - Wednesday 14 December

- Labour Day Monday 24 October - SCHOOL CLOSED

### Swimming



### Swimming lessons with Jordan Rogers at Morrinsville Swim Zone.

Lessons start on Monday 15th November and will be on a Monday and Wednesday.

Ages 4 through to Squad Level.

Email vic.nige@xtra.co.nz if interested.

### Year 5 & Year 6 Team - Taku Wairua Trip

Our Year 5 and Year 6 teams have been busy at the Morrinsville Recreation Grounds as part of the Taku Wairua programme. The purpose of the excursion is to provide the opportunity for students to contribute to our community by helping maintain the Morrinsville Riverwalk. Students will also participate in a variety of fun activities. Our Year 5s went yesterday and the Year 6 team are there today. **(Photos from Wednesday are in this newsletter, next week we will have some from today)**

**Taku Wairua** is a 10 week Personal Development and Mentoring Programme which our seniors have had the opportunity to participate in.

From the programme students will:

- Develop a strong sense of belonging and stronger sense of identity through learning about their whakapapa (ancestry) and pepeha (place of significance).
- Increase self-awareness through identifying their strengths, values, abilities and words that describe them.
- Learn the importance and benefits of goal setting.
- Learn how to set goals.
- Learn and experience the power of kindness, giving and volunteering.
- Understand the growth mindset.



Year 5 Team Taku Wairua Trip Photos

