

SHANNON SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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MATARIKI E ARA E

E haere mai ana te tau hou Māori ki runga i a tātou kātoa.

Matariki ahunga nui, Matariki tāpuapua.
In Te Whare o Mana we have been learning about Matariki and the Māori New Year.



Kei te hanga mātou i ngā whetu o Matariki!



Our tamariki have been doing an inquiry about easy stars to make with a Teina of the class.



A Note from Our Principal



Dear Parents/Carers

Education Review Office (ERO)

We are due for our three year review from ERO. This review looks at how we reach positive learning outcomes for our children - knowledge, skills, attitude and habits. They will be interested in what's working well and where improvements can be made. They will be interested in our own evaluation processes and support a culture of ongoing improvement. If you are interested our previous reviews are available on the ERO website.

We have Cynthia Davies and Pamela Banks from ERO visiting us starting the week of Monday 26th June. We will have a powhiri at 12.30pm on the Monday to welcome them and any recent new students to the school. All are welcome. We will be meeting in the Learning Action Centre (library) for a light lunch following the powhiri. All parents are welcome. Please let us know if you are attending so we can arrange for enough kai.

Sexuality

One aspect that ERO is collecting specific data and information about in schools is "Wellness through Sexuality." Sexuality education is not just about *Sex Education* that we get our School Health Nurse to cover with our older students every second year, but rather it is a lifelong process. It is to provide students with the knowledge, understanding, and skills to develop positive attitudes towards sexuality, to take care of their sexual health, and to enhance their interpersonal relationships now, and in the future. It covers: mental health; sexuality education; food and nutrition; body care and physical safety; physical activity; sport studies; and Outdoor Education.

School Target

One of our two school targets this year is for all *Year 1 to 3 students with poor oral skills or vocabulary to accelerate their oral language progress and achievement*. Our data for the start of this year showed that about one third of our Year 1 to 3 children had, what we considered to be, below-average oral language skills. We know that oral language is vital to all other learning areas.

We are lucky to have Lianna Nielson, a Ministry of Education Speech language Therapist, working with staff to improve our own teaching skills in this area. This will involve teachers videoing their own teaching with individuals and groups of children. These videos will be used for staff training. If they are to be used for any other purpose we will get your permission if your child is involved in the video.

Te Pae Tamariki

We have entered in the Manawatu Kapa Haka Festival and are performing at the Regent Theatre on Tuesday 20 June at 12.45pm. This year we are thrilled to have such an enthusiastic group of tamariki and such an experienced group of staff and parents behind the scenes. Entry is only a gold coin donation. If you would like to attend and don't have any transport please contact the office and we will co-ordinate some through the school.

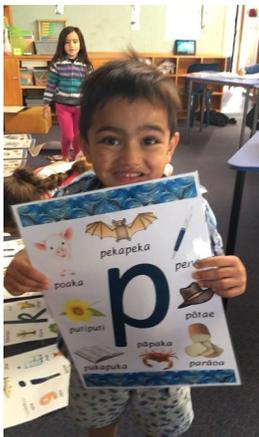
Murray Powell, Principal

KEI TE AHA TE WHARE O MANA?

Te Whare o Mana had the pleasure of meeting Tamati Waaka at Te Takere earlier this term for the story festival.



Ānei ngā mahi o ngā teina o Te Whare o Mana e kapohia i ngā matauranga o Te Reo Māori.



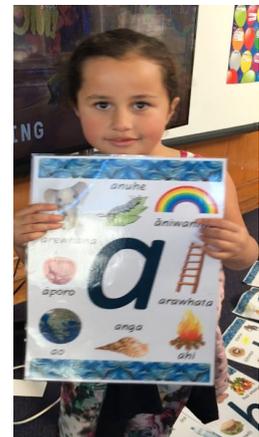
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w w Waipounamu



t t Te Rangihae



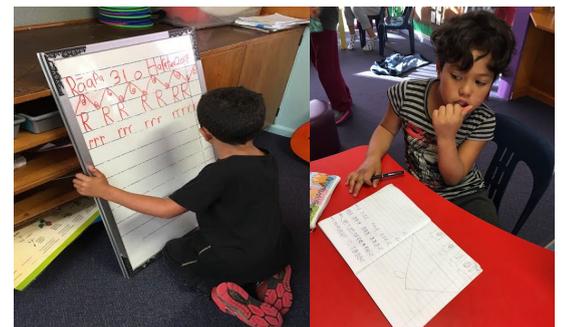
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Ānei etahi whakaahua o ngā tuakana o Te Whare o Mana kua waihanga i ētahi pikitia mo ngā kīwaha otira rātou e arahi ana i ngā mahi o te akomanga hoki.

Nā Justese Smith



Nā Hekenui Nepia



Parekohatu and Demetrius have been leading their own Tūhipu for each other.

Notices

Te Pae Tamariki

Pae Tamariki is a 2 day event this year, with 29 school Kapa Haka teams performing from all over Manawatu/Horowhenua over the 2 days. This celebration of Kapa Haka is being held on Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th of June, (Week 8 of this school term) at “**The Regent on Broadway**”. Our tamariki will rock the stage on **Tuesday 20th of June at 12:45pm-1.15pm**. It is a gold coin entry event for the audience. We hope to see as many of you as possible supporting us at this event.

OFFICE NOTICES

Please contact the School Office if you have spare time to assist the school, especially with our Breakfast Club or our Lunchtime Fundraiser. We really appreciate your support. From next month we will be charged a fee for Police Vetting volunteers. If in the future you think you may be able to help with any activities, it would be great to get the paperwork away this month. This may include helping with sports teams or overnight camps.

In our last Newsletter we sent home a consultation letter around our Health and PE Programmes. These were due back by last Friday. If you have any feedback, please return to the Office by this Friday 16th June.

Thanks to the families that have paid their **Pae Tamariki fees**, they are due tomorrow. Remember our **Dance raffle**. It is a very cool bike. Feel free to take the book to sell tickets if you are able.

The Dental Bus is due at our School before the end of term.



Register now at your Library

PAWS TO READ

26 June to 4 August at the Shannon Library
Register Now

WINTER WARMERS READING PROGRAMME

The poster features a group of cartoon bears and a panda reading books in a snowy mountain landscape. A speech bubble contains the text 'PAWS TO READ'. Below the illustration, it says '26 June to 4 August at the Shannon Library Register Now' and 'WINTER WARMERS READING PROGRAMME'.



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