

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Dear Parents/Whanau,

A busy first term is nearly over. It was great to see so many of our whanau/families at our interviews. Remember you are most welcome to come into the classrooms to work alongside your children. Research tells us that whanau and teachers working together has better outcomes for the students.

Our KiVa team have been working hard to make school a safer place for our children. They have worked through several cases and it has had a significant impact. Remember parents may report cases to the team as well as the students. The in class programmes will continue to support this.

We are now fully staffed and the children in Room 11 will have Mrs Buchannan until the end of the year.

The two swimming sports were successful with our students doing very well at the interschool event. It was great to see so many parents supporting this.

Another successful Tryathlon was had with over 50 of our students entering in this non-competitive event. Well done to all of you who 'gave it a go'.

This week we have had 2 teams participating in the Kid's Lit Quiz and 2 teams made it through to the semi-finals of the Epro8 Challenge. Good luck to our year 6 team who will be participating in the finals this Friday.

Mrs Anna Murphy who has been working alongside Jenna Hutchings in Room 1 will sadly be leaving us at the end of the term. Anna will be taking some time out to help care for her father who is unwell. We thank her for all her hard work and dedication to our students and staff.

I would also like to thank the teachers this term for all their hard work and our teacher aides and administration staff who are always there to support our students and teachers to support better outcomes for our learners.

Have a relaxing and safe holiday and we look forward to seeing you all back next term.

Caroline Gyde

Friday 13th Pool Party from 6-8 pm

Come along and join us for a Pool Party at the Wai Splash Pool on the last night before the holidays.

The blow-up toy will be up.

Bring lots of gold coins.

Food for sale: Sausage sizzle and drinks, chocolate bars, bags of lollies.

Bring a friend or two. **All children under 8 must be accompanied by someone who is over 16 years old**



Absences

If your child is going to be away from school, please either

- ⇒ Ring the school office on **3748915** and leave a message
- ⇒ Text a message to **027 506 4860**
- ⇒ Use the absentees section on the school app
- ⇒ Call into the school office
- ⇒ Email a message to office@dannevirkesouth.school.nz

SCHOOL CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
Friday 13	POOL PARTY at Wai Splash 6-8 pm ANZAC ASSEMBLY 2.00 pm in the hall
Monday 30th	LAST DAY OF TERM 1 FIRST DAY OF TERM 2 Life Education Trust
Tuesday 8 May	ICAS—Digital Technologies
Wednesday 16	HPV and dTap vaccinations
Tuesday 29th	ICAS—Science
JUNE	
Wedn 13th	ICAS—Spelling
Thursday 14th	ICAS—Writing
JULY	
Friday 6th	LAST DAY OF TERM 2
Monday 23rd	FIRST DAY OF TERM 3
Tuesday 31st	ICAS—English
AUGUST	
Tuesday 14th	ICAS—Mathematics
14 November	Dose 2 HPV vaccination

PHOTOLIFE STUDIOS

Class/individual photos were taken at school today. If you did not get your order in, you can contact PhotoLife Studios yourself anytime throughout the year and order them. Their contact phone number is 0800 501 040 or they can be emailed on enquiries@photolife.co.nz

LOST PROPERTY

Please come into the school office and check our lost properly rack for any of your child/ren's lost clothing. Any unclaimed clothing will be donated to one of our second hand shops in town for resale. At present there is a large number of unclaimed polar fleeces hanging up.

SCHOOL SORES

We have a number of children away from school at present with school sores. These are contagious and must be covered up at all times.

EPRO8 CHALLENGE

Congratulations to our two teams who performed well in the semi finals of the Epro8 challenge in Palmerston North last Monday.

Our year 6 team of Dani Simmons, Layla Brunton, Caitlin Murphy and Bayly Castles did exceptionally well and were placed second. They are now in the finals which will be held on Friday.



DENTAL CLINIC phone is 374 7361 Mon-Thurs

The dental nurses will be working in the clinic over the holidays for any dental emergencies

CHILDREN'S STORIES

Recently Sammy's Coffee Cart ran a competition for our local primary school children, asking why they thought their teachers should win a cake. Caitlin Murphy wrote the letter below and won a cake for Mrs Haliburton.



To Whom it May Concern,

Hello my name is Caitlin Murphy and my teacher's name is Mrs Haliburton. She teaches kids who go to Dannevirke South School. I think she deserves this award because she is an amazing teacher.

This is because she has five attributes that make her special. She is fun, caring, dedicated, reliable and has high expectations. Mrs Haliburton does a range of things to make her fun; the fun thing I am going to tell you about is when she gave the class ice-creams. To get the ice-creams we had to make a dodecahedron with a cone on the bottom, this shape would come out to be an ice-cream.

She is a very caring teacher, for example once when I was feeling really sad because I was getting picked on, she gave me a hug and cheered me up by sorting the problem out. When other people in the class are sad she will give them a decision. "Do you want to sort it out with the class so that they know they have done wrong or do you just want to talk to me?"

Last week when it was pouring with rain, Mrs Haliburton was so dedicated to come to school she even drove her car through a road with a lot of water covering it. The sad thing about it was that SHE GOT STUCK!! so she couldn't come to school. The next day the road was still flooded so she got her husband to drive her to school the back way in his ute.

My teacher is very reliable, for example when she says she is going to follow up on her work by Tuesday, she does. If she had to sort out some behaviour problems on Friday she would.

Mrs Haliburton has very high expectations, like in your books, she won't let you scribble out anything, rip your page out or draw on your book otherwise she will cover it with newspaper. She is also very strict about the attendance roll because she wants to make sure she knows where everyone is.

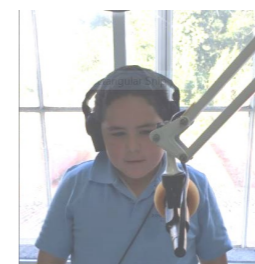
I have shown you five examples of why Mrs Haliburton is the best teacher ever. It would be so nice for her to win the cake because she is so busy doing everything for other people that it would be nice for me to give something back.

Yours sincerely
Caitlin Murphy (Year 6)

THE CENTRAL FM "WEATHER KID"

I knew there was a competition to be the weather kid so I searched on google. I entered the competition and after a few days, there was an envelope with a letter saying, "Congratulations!" Mum explained that I'd be the weather kid. On April 6, I went to Central FM. Me and my dad looked around for the people and then followed signs to reception. Eventually a man came and gave me some words to read through. I practised them ten times.

The man invited me into a room where there was a microphone. I read what I had to say and he recorded it. Later, around 8:30 my dad and I listened to me on the radio. I felt excited to see mum's reaction and happy too. **Isaiah Lawson**



COMMUNITY NOTICES

SMALLBORE RIFLE SHOOTING

Are you a Year 7 or 8 and want to have a go at Smallbore Rifle Shooting? Boys and girls are both welcome. Our junior shooting season starts on Tuesday 8th May from 5:30-7pm. There are limited spaces available.

Parental help is a necessity. Cost for the 11 weeks is \$120 which includes targets, ammunition, rifle use, coaching, final parents vs child shoot, Southern Hawkes Bay competition and awards).

For more information contact Ruth (021 0777952) or Robbie McNair (021 374056) or (06 374 6535) or ruth.rob@xtra.co.nz Please register your child's interest by the 4th May.



Tararua District Library

What: Make some Gizmos and Gadgets. Snap circuit boards together, power them up, see what you can make or invent

When: Monday to Friday during the school holidays—16th to 27th April

Where: Dannevirke Library. Registrations essential For children aged 8-12 years. Phone 374 4255 for session times

Dannevirke Fountain Theatre presents

"ONCE UPON A TIME..."

Directed by local teacher Lisa Higginson, this pantomime will be performed at the Fountain Theatre from 18th to 21st April starting at 7 pm with a matinee on the 21st April at 2.00 pm.

Tickets on sale at the Dannevirke Info Centre:

Child (3-16 years)	\$12.00
Senior (65 plus years)	\$17.50
Adults	\$20.00
Family (2 adults, 2 kids)	\$60.00



ANZAC

DAY CONCERT

Wed 25th April

Starts 3pm

Dvke Town Hall

Gold coin donation

ANZAC DAY
Lest We Forget



Kids & K9's—"Dog Show World"

Kids & K9's will be held in conjunction with the Ruahine Kennel Champ Show to be held at the Dannevirke A & P showgrounds on Sunday 22nd April. Registrations at ringside from 11.45 am.