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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

Although the weather was not great last week we still managed to have an enjoyable week at school.

#### TEACHER ONLY DAY & QUEENS BIRTHDAY:

To enable all teaching staff to take part in some Professional Development looking at the new Teachers Codes of Practice, the school will be having a **"Teacher Only Day"** on **Friday 1st June**, which will make the Queen's Birthday weekend a four day



weekend, as there is also no school on the Monday, 4th June.

### PIES, PIES, PIES....

Remember to get in an order your buys! This is a fundraiser for our students - it helps partly pay for things like camp, trips to the Splash Centre, other trips away and end of year activities.



Please try and sell as many pies as you can to family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues - then make sure you have your completed order form AND money to school **no later than Monday 28th May**.

If you need another order form please contact the school.

### **CURRICULUM:**

**Literacy:** All Year 3 - 8 students have been busy working on their own portal stories based on Pie Corbett's )Talk for Writing) programme. Over the page is Part 1 of Damien's portal story, "Sage". Portal stories by other students will be included in next week's newsletter.

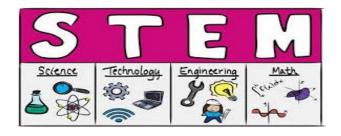
**Mathematics:** Statistics - all students have been leaning about data gathering, presenting data as graphs and talking about what they have found out. This week the Year 6 - 8 students will be learning how to use data to produce graphs on excel.

**Tables:** Year 4 - 8 students are having a real focus on learning times tables.

**Science:** This week students will be continuing investigations in to electricity ad will be making "squishy circuits".

**STEM:** Our STEM challenge this week is to build a bridge using only card, paper, sellotape and hot glue. The bridge has to be a set measurement off the ground and be able to support a 500gm weight. To make things even trickier students have to "buy" the resources used and one of the judging criteria is to build it as cheaply as possible.

**P.E:** The focus for the first 5 weeks of term is fitness and soccer skills - which all the students are enjoying and showing good ball skills.



# Calendar Dates Thursdays - Seniors to Technology

- Friday 1st June Teacher Only Day NO SCHOOL
- Monday 4th June Queens Birthday Weekend no School.
  - 7 & 8th June Life Ed at School
- 26th & 27th June Proposed dates for Seniors Career Day at Ohakea



# LUNCH ORDERS - MONDAY 28th MAY 2018

"Pizza (homemade)" followed by "Fruit crumble & Custard"

\$5.00 per student



Student Name(s): .....

Total Enclosed: \$.....



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### <u>Sage</u>

Sneaking out of my house is like mission impossible.

I guess that's why I'm such a fox. Define fox cunning, sneaky, and last but not least charming. Oh, allow me to introduce myself, my name is Darren Sage, and I need a new last name because I am everything but wise. Anyway mission impossible sneak out. Basically my house layout is like a prison for mutant murderers made out of rock.

A two story house with a mother that scans the halls every like five minutes, my step-dad's dog Russell (who hates me and will tear me limb from limb at any chance he gets.) in the backyard. Benson (my step-dad.) works at Secur Inc., which is a security company so guess what... security cameras! Four outside security cams covering four different exits. And to top that off Benson hates me and is waiting for the perfect time to catch me and get me in **deep** trouble. It's time... I haven't got a plan but I will improvise.

Lets go... I see the tree outside my window. I back up. Charge!

I leaped out of my open window like a superhero. And landed belly first on one of the branches.

One more thing that you should know about me is that I'm not the superhero type (not yet anyway!) but I did land on the branch and that's what really matters. I pulled myself up and started to walk down the branch when I saw it, the She-Reaper, the Doomsdame... my sister!

Forgot to mention another thing, my older sister. Name: Alexis Sage Age: 18 years old Interests: Completely screwing my life up at any cost!

Now that you know what there is to know about Alexis, back to the story! There she was with her friends on the driveway. "Dang it!" I whispered under my breath. I totally forgot about the sleepover she was having. Great! Now the odds of me getting caught are 1.million percent.(I don't like those numbers.) Ok!, ok this is fine, I tell myself. I remember Alexis's weakness... Death Metal! (witch happens to be one of my favourite music genres.) Too bad I don't have a speaker... SIKE! I always carry my speaker A.K.A Sister Repellant. Now how would I be able to play without getting caught?

I can't!

But... I can take out the lights...

A sinister grin crept across my face. I grabbed a tennis ball witch was conveniently in the tree I aimed, I fired, and I got a perfect shot smashing the light bulb into tiny shards of glass. The girls ran inside being scared of the dark. I giggled. Wait a minute if the lights are out than the cameras can't see I thought. How could I not think of this before. I'm home free! Miles house here I come!

I ran across the road...

And I didn't see the bus coming...

Damien Sawyer

## Watch out for Part 2!







