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WHĀNAU BBQ - TONIGHT @ 5PM

WELCOME

What a terrific start back to school we have had! I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable long Waitangi Day weekend.

SWIMMING

Swimming will kick off next week. This year we are relying on our parent community to assist with the teaching of swimming. If you are able to help out at all it would be much appreciated. Please make contact with your child's classroom teacher to let them know. The costs of our swimming programme are being met by your Board of Trustees. It is our belief that swimming is a crucial skill that children must attain in order to be safe in and around water in New Zealand. It would be much appreciated if you could ensure your child comes to school ready, with their togs, on their swimming day.

WALKER LEARNING - PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Our Walker Learning Parent Information Evening will take place on Thursday 25th February from 6.30pm-7.30pm. Please diary this now. It will be an informal night that will introduce Walker Learning to our parents. It will also be a chance to ask any questions or seek clarification. See you all there.

YEAR 5/6 OVERNIGHT CAMP

In Week 5 this term each Year 5/6 class will be heading to Sixtus Lodge for an overnight camp. This outdoor education centre is situated 62 km from Feilding, just past Apiti at the base of the Ruahine Ranges. The following website has more information www.sixtuslodge.co.nz. This will be a fantastic experience for students and a great way to bond with their teacher and peers which will benefit classroom learning throughout the year. Many thanks to our BOT who are fully funding this camp so there will be no cost to families. Please return your forms as soon as possible.



Jack (Room 18) has drawn an awesome picture to kick off the school year. Well done Jack.



JAPANESE TOUR

On Thursday 25th February a group of 20 Japanese students are visiting our school. These students are coming to New Zealand as part of a general tour of the country. Most are students at University in Japan. The students will begin their day with a formal powhiri at 9am and finish at 12pm. It is hoped all classes throughout the school will have the opportunity to get to know a student and take part in some activities with them. We are extremely lucky as we have a fluent Japanese speaker on staff - Mr Evans who will be part of the formal welcome.

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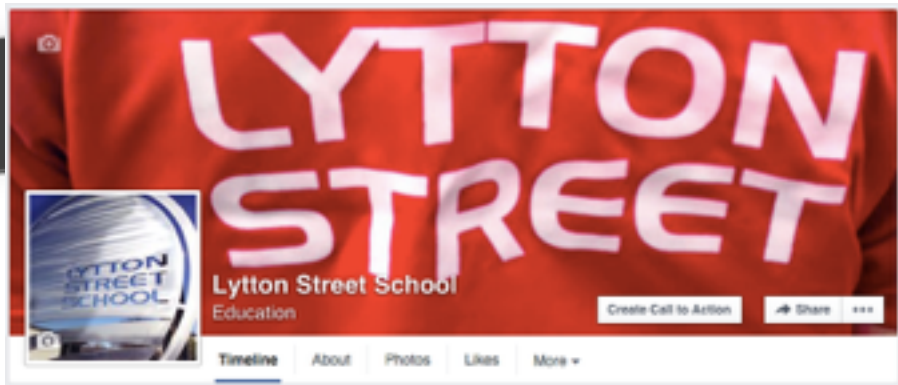
The Whānau BBQ will be held tonight. It will run from 5pm-7pm. Please come along and bring your dinner, and enjoy an evening of great company with entertainment for the kids. It is a terrific opportunity to make contact with your child's classroom teacher for the 2016 school year. A sausage sizzle will also run. Sausages will cost \$2 each and lemonade ice blocks will be sold for \$1. We hope to see you all there.

BBQ



Together, we learn to live and live to learn
Kia ora kia tahi, kia tahi kia ora

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MATHEMATICS SUPPORT TEACHER

This year Mrs Anne Humphrey has been employed as our Mathematics Support Teacher. Mrs Humphrey is funded, in part, by the Ministry of Education. Her role will be to assist students with Maths throughout the school. It is our hope, and belief, that this initiative will prove extremely successful for the achievement of our students.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Your Board of Trustees is meeting on Monday evening at 7pm. The Board will be reviewing last year's Targets for Student Achievement, Charter and Annual Plan as well as finalising this year's. This is an extremely important meeting as it sets out the direction for our school for the 2016 school year. This is a public meeting so our community is welcome to attend. Elections for our Board of Trustees will also be held this year, in May/June. Being a part of a school Board is an awesome opportunity to see the behind the scenes working of the school, and to have a major say in the direction and education provision for your children. If you would like to stand in the election please come and see me or our Board Chairperson - Keith Dobson (his details are available at the school office).



NEWSLETTER EMAIL

This year we are hoping that the majority of our school school parents will receive their newsletter via email. There are a couple of major reasons for this initiative. Firstly, email is failsafe, the newsletter will be delivered to your email inbox on time, each Thursday. This will avoid any issues with loss or damage. Secondly, the printing of the newsletter is a hugely expensive undertaking, and we wish to use these funds in other ways to benefit the achievement of our students. That said, we understand that email may not be the best option for all parents so hard copies will still be produced when required. A letter will come home with your child next week. Please state whether your newsletter can be emailed and also the address you would like it to be emailed to. Thanks in advance for your support.

WEET-BIX TRYATHLON

Register online and link to our group using our school code - LYTT1330 (preferred option). Or pick up an enrolment form from the office.

TRIATHLON SKILLS, CONFIDENCE & FUN

Timona Park on Friday 11th & 18th March. 5:30pm- 6:30pm. Cost - gold coin donation. Bring a bike, helmet, running shoes and a water bottle.

TEEBALL/SOFTBALL

Registrations are due in on Monday. Please return forms to the office.

YEAR 5/6 CRICKET

There is a cricket league for Year 5 & 6 students running for 4 weeks at Kowhai Park. If you would like your child to be involved, please give their name and payment to the office. Cost - \$5

SPORTS T-SHIRTS

We are putting in an order for Lytton Street School sports t-shirts tomorrow so if you'd like one, contact the office and let them know the student's name and size. 8, 10, 12 or 14. Cost - \$33

NEW ENTRANTS - 5 YEAR OLDS

If you have any children, or know of any who are turning 5 this year it would be much appreciated if you could inform the school office. Knowing our enrolments in advance really helps us to plan effectively for the year. Thank you for your support.

EVERYONE ACTIVE EVERYDAY

Green Prescription
ACTIVE FAMILIES
Rongoā Kākāriki, whānau kori, whānau ora

SPORT MANAWATU

Active Families is a *free programme* to help you and your family get active, and learn about healthy eating.

Every Tuesday
Feilding Intermediate School, East Street, Feilding
3.45pm - 4.45pm (during the school term)

What you can get out of the Active Families programme:

- Creative ideas on how to get active with your whanau/family
- Access to weekly physical activity sessions
- Help with setting activity and eating goals

Contact:
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