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SPORTS AWARDS ASSEMBLY - THIS FRIDAY @ 11AM

WELCOME

A warm welcome to Summer, Ruby-Jade, Shurvell, Celia, Jimmy, Prachi, and Paige who started with us this term from other schools. I'd like to specially welcome Jack who has joined us all the way from China.

Starting school for the first time this term in Te Tipu are Cody, Caleb and Maisy. It is great to have you at Lytton Street and we all hope you have the best start to your school life.

TE TIPU 9

Te Tipu 2 students last term have now moved and become Te Tipu 9. Whaea Tamsin has worked extremely hard during the holidays to create a wonderful environment for the kids. One of the cool highlights of this room is the horizontal mirror. To the right Indie, Daltar-Rae and Leah are enjoying seeing their reflections. The mirror has a vast array of objects that the kids can use to experiment with reflection.

MATARIKI

As a lead in to Matariki (The Māori New Year), we are very lucky to have Whāea Tracey Wheeler coming to share a 45 minute lesson with each class next week entitled, 'Feilding- Tōku Turangawaewae/ My Place to Stand'. We are requesting a gold coin koha/donation from each child be given to their classroom teacher which will then be given to Whāea Tracey.

HALL HIREAGE

Our hall is available for hire at a cost of \$75 for the day, or \$50 for a half day. See the office if you would like to book.



PALS CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

Our PALS (formally the Lytton Street School PTA) are running a fundraiser this term. A letter is coming home with your child tonight. It would be much appreciated if you could support this fundraiser. Funds raised by PALS, and our supporting families, go a long way to further enhancing the education programmes we provide for your children.

Our PALS group are next meeting on Wednesday 25th May in the school staffroom at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome so please come along.

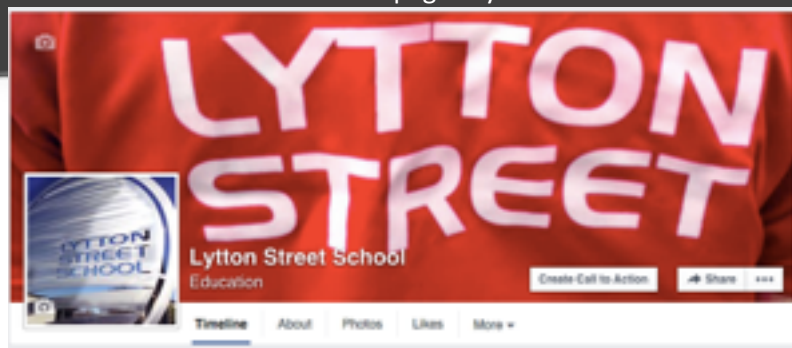
SPORTS AWARDS ASSEMBLY

Our very important Athletics and Swimming Awards Assembly is being held this Friday at 11am. This is a chance for us to honour those students who have performed exceptionally at either Swimming or Athletics, or both. Parents are most welcome to attend. See you all there.



Kia ora kia tahi, kia tahi kia ora

Check out our website - www.lyttonstreet.school.nz



NEW!
Palmerston North
Brick Show

WELL-LUG
WELLINGTON LEGO® USER GROUP
Palmerston North Branch

Barber Hall
Waldergrave Street,
Palmerston North

Saturday 21st May
9am - 5pm

Sunday 22nd May
9am - 4pm

Entry \$2 per person
Cash only - NO EFTPOS



For more information visit:
www.well-lug.nz

NZ HERALD ARTICLES

There are a range of articles this week that feature in the New Zealand Herald. These articles have been written regarding the current climate of our primary school education system. Of most prominence is the statement that \$250 million in Government spending over the last few years has done little to improve the achievement of our students. Without becoming too political I would like to align these statements with our current thinking at Lytton Street School. Money alone will not bridge the gap in student achievement, it takes a holistic approach - improving access to technology, providing increased support for teachers, developing approaches to learning that harness the passion and interests of our children and the creation of social policies that support our learners and families, to name a few. I would like to expand on the 'harnessing of the passion and interests of our children' as this is the area of focus for our school and one where we have seen terrific improvement. The Walker Learning model is based on this. Allowing students time to investigate, to create, to follow their passions and to learn alongside their teachers is critical to the developmental process. This approach also provides opportunities for our children to teach others which research has proven to be one of the best methods to embed knowledge and understanding. This model is not dissimilar to that offered by Island Bay School in Wellington, called 'Freedom Fridays'. The major point of difference is that our sessions run every day of the week. Check out the New Zealand Herald for further information.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Nomination forms for prospective Board of Trustees members are coming home shortly. Being on the Board is a great opportunity to play a leading role in the development of Lytton Street School. Come and see me if you would like any more information.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Over the coming weeks a number of policies will be placed on our school website for parents to view. These policies have been updated/created to bring our school into line with two new pieces of legislation - the

Health and Safety At Work Act, and the Vulnerable Children Act. Both of these Acts have important implications for schools across New Zealand. The two policies that will be placed on our website for parent feedback are the Child Protection Policy and the Health and Safety Policy. If you have the time please have a read through these and email me any feedback you may have. I appreciate your support, my email address is: principal@lyttonstreet.school.nz

NETBALL

Lytton Street School Netball is almost all go (first grading games are Saturday 14 May). We have nine teams who will play in the competition again this year on a Saturday morning (at the Duke Street courts - opposite Feilding High School). There are four Year 5/6 teams, three Year 3/4 teams and two Year 1/2 teams. We certainly appreciate the teachers and parents who have volunteered to coach.

We are still on the look out for umpires. Every team does need to provide one each week. If you know of anyone or are maybe interested yourself, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us here at school.

A reminder that fees of \$22 need to be paid by Friday 13 May or an arrangement made with Jess Osborne in the office.

MATHLETICS

Yr 4-6
1st Room 19 22 certificates
2nd Room 18 19 certificates
3rd Room 21 14 certificates

Yr 1-3
1st Room 5
2nd Room 6
3rd Room 13

20 students received Silver certificates at the end of last term.

EVERYONE ACTIVE THROUGH

ACTIVE FAMILIES
Green Prescription
Prevent chronic disease, reduce risk, improve life

SPORT MANAWATU

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

Every Tuesday
North Street School, North Street, Feilding
3.30pm - 4.30pm (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:
Marcus Howie
Active Families Advisor
Sport Manawatu
06 3375349 ext 744
0274677127

UP AND COMING...

- Friday 6th May - Sports Assembly @ 11am
- Monday 16th May - Board Meeting @ 7pm
- Thursday 26th May - Dance Demo
- Friday 27th May - Tough Guy/Gal Challenge
- Friday 3rd June - Teacher Only Day
- Monday 6th June - Queen's Birthday