

# LYTTON STREET

*Kia ora kia tahi,  
kia tahi kia ora*

## FINAL CELEBRATION - TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2017

### WELCOME

The weather has been amazing here at Lytton Street - and the activities have matched. Waterslides, bike tracks, tree planting - the list is endless. A warm welcome to Nature-Marie and Samson who have rejoined our school from Hamilton this week. Nice to have you both back. There are some really important dates listed below on this page, be sure to check them out.

### WATERSLIDES ARE ALL GO

With the hot weather comes the waterslide. The kids have had an absolute blast careering down the slide through the bubbles whilst being sprayed with the hose. It has certainly allowed for some cooling off to take place. Photo to the right.



### CLASSROOM REQUESTS

Our draft classes are now complete. We shall not be taking any further parental requests for classing in 2018. We have appreciated the input of our parents in the formation of our classes.

### NATIVE TREES

Aaron Madden from Horizons and Gavin Scott who runs his own nursery have very generously donated well over \$400 worth of trees for our native garden area at the end of the field. Gavin is the grandfather of Joel Procter, one of our Year 5 students and is responsible for much of the replanting of Kitchener Park. Room 3 students placed the trees out and Room 19, along with the Year 6 leaders, carried out the planting. A gap has been left for our new bike track to run through which will make an interesting section for our bikers. We're hoping this native area will be a fantastic addition to our school grounds where students can enjoy caring for a variety of native trees while they grow and benefit from the shade and tranquility they'll provide in years to come. A huge thank you to Aaron and Gavin for their contribution and to Mr Jacobs who has set up an irrigation system for the summer months. Check out the photo to the right.



### YEAR 6 GRADUATION - 6PM CIVIC CENTRE

The Year 6 Graduation is coming up tonight at 6pm. Invites have already gone out to all our Year 6 and their whānau. It's going to be an awesome night and we look forward to seeing you all there.

### FINAL CELEBRATION - 6PM CIVIC CENTRE

Our Final Celebration is coming up on Tuesday 12th December at 6pm. All our students are expected to attend this event. Please schedule it in your diaries. See you there.



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## PARENTING TIPS: #14 - PARENT VISION

Apparently, Superman has x-ray vision. As a teenage boy, I thought that would be a fantastic super power to have! But there is another super power that parents can develop that might be even more useful. It's called *parent vision* - the ability to look through the bad behaviour to see the good kid inside. It enables us to see past the unpleasant and difficult behaviour and to peer straight into the upset emotions that caused it. Sometimes little kids look like they are being naughty, but with parent vision you can see that at their age and stage, what they are doing is absolutely normal – they are just children learning how to behave, learning to curb their impulses, and learning how to get on with others. Use your parent vision to separate the child from the behaviour. The behaviour may be unacceptable, but the child is always acceptable. The behaviour might be awful, but the child is wonderful.

- John Cowan

## ST JOHN'S

Last week St John's provided emergency response lessons to each of our classes over four days. Depending on the year level, lessons covered topics from identifying and describing the three different emergency services, appropriate responses when calling 111, and assessing patients using DRSABC. Michelle Kirker also organised the ambulance to be at school for two days. She gave each class a tour and discussed the variety of equipment that is used. It was brilliant having St John's in school and our students enjoyed the brand new experiences and information.

## FOCAL POINT MOVIE COMPETITION

This term, Room's 3, 4 and 14 have read the book Wonder. It is an amazing story with many lessons in regards to how we treat each other. The children have all thoroughly enjoyed it. The movie has just been released, so we ran a literacy competition to find 5 lucky winners. Each winner received a movie voucher to Focal Point Cinema, to see the movie. Many thanks to Julie Bell and Focal Point Cinema for the generous prizes. We hope many of our families can get to this highly recommended movie over the holidays. Congratulations to Josh, Marky, Dylan, Stacey-Ella and Maya, who were our very deserving winners. Check out the photo to the right.



## STATIONERY 2018

Stationery is available for purchase from the Friday 15th December.

## SPORTS T-SHIRTS

It would be greatly appreciated if any touch players could hand their sports t-shirts in on Friday as we need over 50 shirts for our choir who are performing at the Christmas Parade on Sunday. All sports uniforms need to be handed in by next Tuesday at the latest. A follow-up note will be sent home to students with any outstanding sports uniforms.

## SOCIAL WORKER IN SCHOOLS VISIT TO ROSLYN

Our school is extremely lucky to have our very own social worker - Kerry Searancke. Kerry works with a huge number of students at our school. He also works two days a week at Roslyn School in Palmerston North. This year an exchange has taken place between the two schools. Kids from Roslyn have come to Lytton Street to check out our playgrounds and classrooms and on Wednesday our kids went there. The photo to the right shows the kids on arrival at Roslyn School. A huge thank you to Kerry for all the wonderful work he does and for offering our kids these terrific opportunities.



Together, we learn to live and live to learn