

LYTTON STREET

*Kia ora kia tahi,
kia tahi kia ora*

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY - MONDAY 4TH JUNE 2018

WELCOME

A warm welcome to a cold week. So nationally some of the temperatures have been the chilliest since the start of the year. Remember to dress your kids up warmly so they can continue to enjoy the great outdoors during these winter months. A special welcome to Brooklyn and Bentley, who has begun this week from Central Hawkes Bay and Palmerston North and to Crystal, Cameron, Maddison, Elijah who have all begun in Te Tipu. We hope you all have a magnificent time at Lytton Street School.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR OUR SPORTS TEAMS

Our Netball, Flippaball, Basketball and Hockey teams are well underway. Therefore it is worthwhile offering a reminder about the conduct of our kids and their families during sporting fixtures. Finding coaches and managers to take teams is an extremely difficult task and it often ends up falling to staff members and parents of kids within the teams. Our coaches and managers do a terrific job training kids and organising fixtures. All this work is completely voluntary. I would like to thank all of you for giving up your time - without you our teams would not be able to run. It is therefore extremely important that coaches and managers are afforded the respect they deserve for taking these teams. From time to time, as parents, we are not going to agree with every decision, every substitution, every thing they say, but in order to role model for our kids there is a way to voice our concerns. If you have comments regarding how teams are operating you can do one of two things; approach the coach, and or manager, quietly and non-publicly and discuss this with them, or inform the teachers in charge of these sports at school. These are Lee McDonald (Netball), Richard Dodunski (Flippaball, Basketball) and Becs Higgie (Hockey). Thank you for your support to ensure all sporting teams operate smoothly throughout the year.

ENTERING CLASSROOMS AT THE END OF THE DAY

It is our philosophy to embrace parents and enable them to participate within our classroom settings. If you wish to be involved in your child's classroom please make prior arrangements with your child's classroom teacher. We would ask though that parents refrain from entering the classrooms at the end of the day. This is an extremely busy time as children are packing up and being prepped for home time. Often extra adults within the room can lead to some distraction for kids and staff. Thank you for your support.

THEFT OF PROPERTY

As you are all aware the school has an extremely sophisticated CCTV system in operation. Of late our school has been hit both during the day, and outside of school hours, by random thefts of bikes and other equipment. I would ask that all students riding to school on a bike ensure that it is locked securely when parked. With regard to the thefts the school will use all tools at its disposal to gain the property back. This will include contacting the New Zealand Police and also posting images on Facebook pages. It is our desire to ensure all the property of both the school and our community is kept safe at all times. Thank you for your support.

SCHOOL DISCO TONIGHT

Tonight our school disco will take place. The NZ Police have offered to be part of it and bring along their lights and music. Times:

- **Year 0 - 2/3:** 5:30pm - 6:30pm (please be prompt with pick up as the hall needs to be tidied up before the senior disco)
- **Year 3 - 6:** 7:00pm - 8:15pm (Year 3s can choose to go to either the 1st or 2nd disco (not both))
- **Cost:** \$5 - includes entry, drink, chippies & chocolate
- **Where:** School Hall
- **Supervision of juniors:** You can drop off your child at 5:30pm and pick them up at 6:30pm. You can also stay with your child if you choose but please be aware that this needs to be a parent and not an older sibling from LSS.

Important Notices



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PARENTING TIPS: PUTTING OUR KIDS TO BED

Saying that final goodnight for the millionth time after endless rounds of 'just one more' – just one more story, snack, drink, pee, prayer, hug, question or whatever, is nothing short of a monumental achievement for most of us with young kids. In fact, pulling into the home straight at the end of the day feels more like the end of an epic endurance race as we await our reward to hang on the couch with our fave telly show. Ironically after all the moaning, groaning and bickering, it's bedtime that we have our kids' full attention. They are actively pursuing us, busting to hang out with us and gagging for our full attention. Bedtime presents us with the chance to sneak in behind our child's 'attitude' and tap into what really going on for them. If you're a little bamboozled by bedtimes or have a tough time getting your kids to unwind at the end of the day, you might be wondering how this bedtime thing can be done without the carnage. Here are some fun ideas to try to connect with your kids at this time of the day.

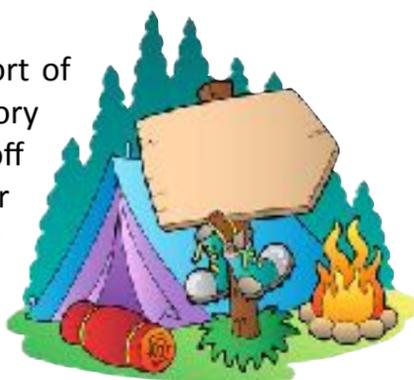
This or that

You can really have some fun with this one. Think of two options and let your kids choose if they would rather this, or that. You can make this fun by choosing between two super good options or two gross options or you can mix things up by creating a tricky moral dilemma. Here are some examples –

- Would you rather smell of strong body odour, or faint dog poo?
- Would you rather jump out of a plane with a parachute or jump off a bridge with a bungee cord?
- Would you rather wear your shoes on the wrong feet or your jeans on backwards?
- Would you rather be a teacher or a doctor?

Let's go camping

This might feel like a fun camping adventure in the comfort of their own bedroom. Let your child choose their favourite story and before you start to read it together, switch the lights off and get them to hold a torch. Depending on the age of your child, you could read one sentence each or a paragraph or a page, and then swap. This might feel like a fun camping adventure in the comfort of their own bedroom.



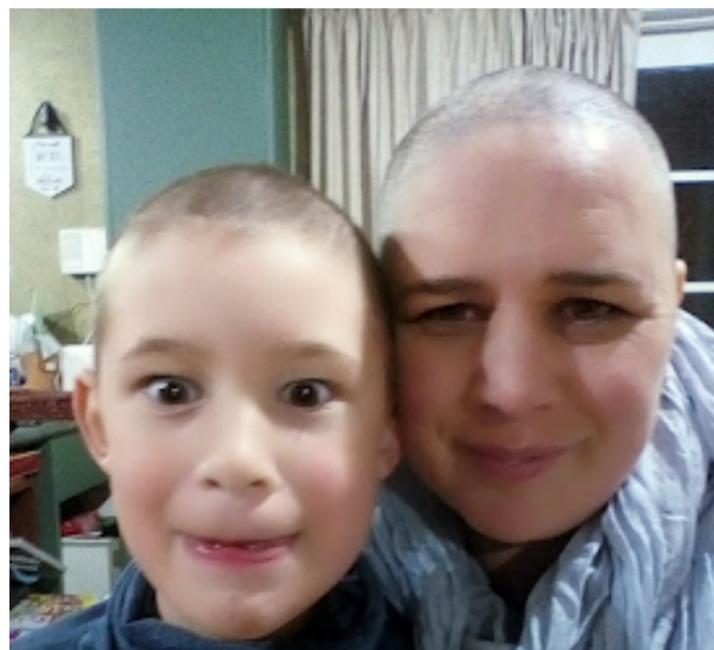
Pillow talk

This one might require some prep with some conversation cards, you can buy some here or better still, create your own. Bunker down beside your child, put the night light on or just keep the hallway light on, pretend you have all the time in the world (yes, this will be difficult but your full attention won't go unnoticed). Give your child three free questions. Here are some examples to get you started –

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- What is the best age to be? Why?
- Do you think it's more important to be rich or kind? Why?
- What job would you never want to have?
- What's the best present you have ever received?
- What's the best part of being a grown up ?
- If you could be a parent for a day, what would you do?

The aim of all this is to create a full stop to the end of the day so both you and your child can get the rest you need to do the next day well.



SHAVE FOR A CURE

Last Thursday afternoon Blake and his Mum went to Feilding High School and had his head shaved for the Shave for a Cure event. Blake was super brave sitting up on stage in front of hundreds of secondary school students. Feilding High School raised over \$10,000, with Blake and his Mum fundraising over \$1000 together.

CERTIFICATES

- 1st: R21, R6 - 100%
- 2nd: R13 - 96%
- 3rd : R12 - 90%

GOLD

- R1: Laura Dallas
- R17: Annabelle Bulford
- R20: Rameka Miller
- R16: Connor Moar
- R24: Hannah Burchell
- R23: Gypsy Barnett
- R13: Bella O'Flaherty
- R14: Taylor Sandbrook
- Tangata Te Atawhai (Rm 3/4): Alex Bradley, Devon Carter, Paige, Parata-Woods



UPCOMING EVENTS

School Disco	Thursday 31st May
Queen's Birthday	Monday 4th June
Te Pae Tamariki	Thursday 14th/15th June

Together, we learn to live and live to learn