

LABOUR DAY - MONDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2018

WELCOME

A warm welcome back to the final term of the 2018 school year - and what a year it has been. Lytton Street School has continue to thrive and build on its positive reputation within our community. Term 4 is sure to be an exciting one with a range of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) tasks planned for our kids to enjoy. Be sure to check out your child's Seesaw for photos and write ups of the activities.

On Monday Te Atawhai hosted a powhiri for all our new students to school. Arriving in Te Tipu was Alex, Kahn, Zavier, Victoria, Jonathan, Scarlett, Logan and Brylee. A huge welcome to you all. It was also cool to welcome Sophie, Thomas and Juliette as well as Jazachan who has returned to us. We know you'll all be super happy at Lytton Street.

END OF TERM FUN

Last term the teachers put on a couple of fun skits to an audience of over 600 kids. Pirates, pandas, leopard-adorned knights, chickens, beautiful princesses (Mr Young) and of course a magnificent game show cast were the themes of the session. Heaps of fun was had. To the right Mr D is showing off his pirate costume.



FEILDING KINDY VISIT

On Friday 21st September a selection of our Kapa Haka performance group visited Feilding Kindergarten. They performed beautifully and the kindergarten children loved every moment, even joining in on a few waiata. The kindergarten provided kai and the group had a wonderful time interacting with the children and lovely environment. Thanks for Feilding Kindergarten for being fantastic hosts!

STAFFING NEWS - 2019

A number of new appointments have been made for the 2019 school year. I would like to welcome the following teachers.

- Hamish Ward is joining us from Auckland. Hamish and his family are moving down during the summer.
- Savjot Nijjar has been teaching in Whanganui, currently at Waitotara School.
- Janie Revell is rejoining our school team from Takaro Primary in Palmerston North. It is great to have Janie back - she was last here in 2014.
- Sarah Payne, Amanda Harris, Liz Bright are all well known to you and will be continuing on in 2019.

Becs Higgie has also won a position at Halcombe School commencing in 2019. Becs has made an extremely positive contribution to our school over the last two years. I would like to wish her all the very best with her new position.

A full list of staff and classes will be made available to the community in next week's newsletter. There will also be the option to request placement for your child. This needs to be done through Trudi Rei (trudirei@lyttonstreet.school.nz), our Deputy Principal, only. Please do not seek requests through your child's current classroom teacher.

CROSS COUNTRY AWARDS

There will be two brief assemblies next week on Tuesday and Wednesday in the hall to hand out certificates to the place getters from our cross country. Yr 0-2 will be at 11am on Tuesday and Yr 3-6 will be at 11am on Wednesday.

SCHOOL SPORTS T-SHIRTS

Please return any school sports t-shirts you have at home by Monday. We need to hand them out to our touch rugby and tee ball teams.



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PARENTING TIPS: HOW TO TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT FINANCES

The basics - three jars

In a world of online banking, online shopping and in-game purchases, its easy to lose track of the true value of money. To make it simple for children to understand, they need to actually see the money so start with cold, hard cash. Get three jars and label them 'Spend', 'Save' and 'Give'. We need to teach our kids the joy of all three!

The giving jar

This will teach them about the joy of giving to others. Your child will be stoked to buy a birthday gift for a friend with their own money. Ask them about which charity they would like to support and do some research on where the money goes when you donate.

The saving jar

This will teach your child about delayed gratification. Having real money accumulate in the 'savings' jar gives children a tangible grasp on the benefits of saving. You can talk to them about what they're saving up for - the goal that they are working towards, and calculate how long it will take to save for that new bike or phone or shoes.

The spending jar

This jar can help you start good conversations about the real cost of things. One of the fun things about this jar is that your child chooses to spend it however they like.

Have fun with these ideas because if you can lay this foundation with a small amount of money when they are young, it will continue as a really helpful platform right throughout the years.

CLASSROOM UPGRADES

During the holidays our terrific friends at Hill Construction and Sparky's On Time upgraded a couple of our classroom spaces in order to make them even more spacious for our kids. Room 25 (Te Tipu 3) had the office and staff toilet removed, plus two swing doors were added to make the back office usable. There is the addition of carpet tiles and a complete job to come during the summer term. In addition to this the office adjacent to Room 12 had a wall removed which makes this space much larger for group teaching. Again, carpet tiles need to be added in here. Check out the photos to the right.

Our two main projects for 2019, the complete upgrading of the Te Tipu block and also the Room 16-20 block have been approved by the Ministry of Education and are now being advertised on the government website. This is a hugely exciting time for us as it will provide 9 ultra-modern new classrooms for our kids to enjoy. These projects are likely to exceed \$900,000. Stay posted for more information on these projects.



COMING UP...

EVENTS

- Monday 22nd October - LABOUR DAY
- Tuesday 23rd...26th October - Cycle Skills
- Sunday 28th October - Regional Speech Finals
- Monday 29th October - Friday 2nd November - Cycle Skills
- Friday 2nd November - Hunterville Cross Country
- Friday 16th November - School Disco
- Tuesday 27th... Monday 4th December - Road Patrol Training
- Friday 30th November - Tough Kids
- Tuesday 4th December - Year 6 Leaders to Parliament

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