



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### MAY

- Tue 21 Papakura Netball Tournament  
Fri 24 Nominations close for BOT  
Tue 28 Rm 7 to Papakura Museum  
Wed 29 **STRIKE DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED**  
Thur 30 Rm 8 & 19 to Papakura Museum  
Fri 31 Rm 4 & 5 to Papakura Museum

### JUNE

- Mon 3 Queens Birthday - NO SCHOOL  
Thur 6 Reading Together programme  
Fri 7 BOT election date  
Thur 13 Reading Together programme  
Fri 14 Kapa Haka to Matariki Event  
Tues 18 NZ Playhouse performance  
Wed 19 Drop In Coffee morning 9am  
Thur 20 Reading Together programme  
Tue 25 Parent open morning re maths  
Fri 28 Matariki Kite Flying day

### JULY

- Tues 2 School Cross Country  
Fri 5 Reports home - end of term 2

### **WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST STUDENTS:**

A warm welcome to Jason Jiang and Luca Banas who have recently joined our new entrants in Room 1.

### **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Class and individual photos were taken last Thursday. **In approximately three weeks you will receive your child's photo shoot keycode which will allow you to go online to view and order any photos you wish.**

Orders placed before the free delivery expiry date (which will be advised at the time) will be bulk printed and delivered to school for your child to bring home. Photos can still be ordered after the deadline, however they will incur a delivery fee and get posted to your home address.

## Principal's Reflection

Kia Ora Koutou.

Thank you to the parents who were able to make it along to my first drop in coffee morning on Tuesday. I enjoyed the opportunity to share the things we are currently working on with you and discuss what the future might look like. We covered:

School Growth: Ministry of Education data projects that the school will grow to 630 students over approximately the next five year. This year we will see an increase of 40-50 students school wide. We are currently negotiating temporary classes and new permanent classes with the MOE. We aim to retain our green spaces.

School Vision: We have been discussing our motto and vision of 'Growth Through Learning - great oaks from little acorns grow.' I have asked staff and parents to reflect on the relevancy of this motto and vision given the change we are envisaging. What do these statements mean to you? Are they specific, aspirational, relevant and challenging?

School Values: I'd like to see us make more use of our school values to support learning and behaviour. We currently have 6 values: respect, responsibility, honesty, trust, loyalty and compassion. We would like to narrow this down to 3-4 core values that are well known to our community and our learners.

If you would like to contribute your ideas regarding any of these areas feel free to email me: [principal@drury.school.nz](mailto:principal@drury.school.nz)

My next coffee morning will be on Wednesday 19 June at 9am. I'd like to talk to you about the mid and end of year reports you receive for your children. I hope to see you there.

Ngā mihi nui

Robyn Malcolm - Principal

### **SCHOOL CLOSED: WEDNESDAY 29 MAY**

As previously advised, teachers have voted to take strike action on Wednesday 29 May. Due to lack of adequate supervision, the Board last week passed a motion to close the school on this day.

We value your continued support. If you want to learn more about why teachers across New Zealand have taken this action, have a chat with your child's teacher or a member of our senior leadership team.



## Mother's Day

We hope all our mothers and grandmothers had a lovely day last Sunday and felt very appreciated.

### MUM POEM

My mum is a beautiful flower that smells like pine trees  
You are a guard that stands up straight like a tree  
My mum is a queen, always protecting me.  
Ahh! Ghosts! You scare them away from me  
My mum is a guard that protects me from bad luck  
She is an angel  
She teaches me kindness  
I love my mum  
No fears will defeat me because of her  
Daring is me, but when I'm scared she is a guard  
that is always there to protect me when fears come close

*By Maddison Hinton, Year 5 in Room 13*

### SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

**Our annual school cross country takes place in the final week of term - Tuesday 2 July.** (Full details will follow closer to the time.) Cross country running for children helps develop many skills and builds an improved sense of discipline towards running, other sports and life in general.

Cross Country is part of the winter sports programme for primary schools across New Zealand. It is great to see our students training hard and taking up the challenges involved.

### SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS



#### BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Just a reminder that elections are coming up in June. **Nominations close at noon on Friday 24 May.**

If you are interested in learning more about what is involved with being a school trustee visit [www.trustee-election.co.nz](http://www.trustee-election.co.nz) and click on the "Becoming A Trustee" section.

Our parent electoral roll has now been prepared by the returning officer and is available for inspection at the school office during office hours.

Voting forms will be mailed out the week commencing Monday 27 May and need to be returned by midday on Friday 7 June.

### ROAD SAFETY

Last week was National Road Safety week and the students received lots of education around this topic. We are also currently running a Road Safety campaign in conjunction with Auckland Transport to remind our community about driving safely near schools. In just 10 minutes we had over 70 toots, waves, thumbs up and smiles which was great! Weather permitting, we will continue doing this each morning next week.



As a Travelwise school we have an ongoing focus on safety awareness for our school and community:

- A 40km per hour speed zone operates on our Great South Road area each weekday morning from 8.25am - 9.00am and each afternoon from 2.50pm - 3.10pm
- Thank you for not stopping in the School Bus Stop area on Young Crescent. It is NOT legal to park (even briefly) on the school bus stop which is NOT a drop off/pick up zone. The school entrance on Sutton Crescent is the best place to drop children off in the mornings if you do not wish to get out of your car
- Thank you also for not turning right from Young Crescent into Great South Road just before and after school (as per the signage)
- Please encourage your children to definitely use the pedestrian crossing when moving across the extremely busy Great South Road before and after school
- Your consideration in not parking over our neighbours' driveways is also appreciated
- Please also note that the driveway entrance to our school grounds via York Street must be kept clear at all times.

### YOUNG LEADERS' DAY

Our ten student leaders attended NYLD last week at the Vodafone Events Centre in Manukau. They listened to a diverse range of New Zealand leaders and were involved in interactive activities. The day aims to develop student leadership and empower young people with the skills to lead themselves and others well.

## OLYMPIC AMBASSADOR - MELISSA INGRAM

Today we hosted Melissa Ingram, an Olympic Ambassador at school. Melissa represented New Zealand as a swimmer in Olympic and Commonwealth Games between 2002 and 2012. Melissa won a bronze medal for the 4 x 200m freestyle relay at the 2006 Commonwealth Games.

Melissa spoke with our Year 5-8 students about her Olympic experience and what it taught her about setting and achieving goals. This was really well received by our students.



## DONATIONS

Sincere thanks to those families who have paid their school donation this year. This payment is very much appreciated and put to good use. The donation for one child is set at \$150 per year (or \$37.50 per term). For two or more children, the donation is \$250 (or \$62.50 per term).

Donations can be paid at the school office or online to account 12-3023-0525524-00. If paying online please remember to state your family name and "donation" as the reference.

## BARBARIANS RUGBY FUN DAY

This annual event was held last Sunday at Bruce Pulman Park. Twelve of our Year 5-6 students took part in games against schools from the Auckland and North Harbour areas, as well as enjoying other activities (and a sausage sizzle) on the day. A big thank you to Mr Vermeulen for coaching these students and giving up his Sunday to be with them on the day.



## TIP OF THE WEEK



### YUMMY POTATO SKINS

When you peel potatoes to make mashed ones, use a knife and collect the clean peelings into a bowl. Add herbs, seasonings and olive oil and bake them in a hot oven – yummy baked potato skins to enjoy as a snack or lunch the next day. You can add carrots or parsnip skins too.



## Principal's Awards

Lucy Bellis..... Rm 6	Mikaela O'Donnell...Rm 7
Jamie Jenkin..... Rm 13	Cale Jordaan.....Rm 7
Samantha Brown ..... Rm 13	Sean Fahey .....Rm 10
Jaydin Harris..... Rm 9	Olivia Annabell .....Rm 9
Inaiya Puna ..... Rm 17	Mitchell Hoebergen.Rm 17
Skyla Smith..... Rm 14	Cypress Toopi.....Rm 16
Vai-Lilly Vaoga ..... Rm 5	Jessica Fogarty .....Rm 4
Abby Koppens ..... Rm 19	Kaden Pitiroi .....Rm 19
Tama Tahitahi..... Rm 12	Maysie Hayhow .....Rm 2
Ashneer Singh..... Rm 3	Kaitlyn Bethell.....Rm 1
Olivia Dixon ..... Rm 11	Jackson Hatu .....Rm 18
Yalena Fiapito ..... Rm 18	Sheridan Griffiths .....Rm 8
Alexus-Jade Hill ..... Rm 8	

## Stars of the Day

Amie Donald..... Rm 14	Makayla Hohaia .....Rm 18
Taelin Masina ..... Rm 5	Whetu Bailey..... Rm 11
Vogue Win ..... Rm 6	



## HOOKED ON HUMANITY



JAYDIN HARRIS stepped up recently during the vaccination recovery session. The public health nurses were very impressed with the support and encouragement Jaydin gave to another student who wasn't coping as well. Jaydin's positivity was lovely to see and made all the difference. Well done Jaydin!

## COLLECTING CHILDREN DURING SCHOOL HOURS

Please allow sufficient time if needing to collect your child during school hours as students are not always in their classrooms. This will avoid last minute demands to have children waiting in the office.

Parents collecting students must report to the school office initially to sign the students out via the VisTab system.

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