

Gosh what a really busy start for Term 3 - great to see everyone settling back into school routine so happily. There are lots of colds and coughs going around at this time of year so make sure that you wrap up warm and try to stay free from all the bugs.

### WELCOME:

A warm welcome to Genesis who started school this week.

### DUFFY BOOKS IN HOMES:

Duffy Theatre will be performing for our school this Friday (31st July) starting at 11am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### CONCERNS & COMPLAINTS:

As part of the Board's regular review of school policies the Board has recently reviewed our complaints policy. We have included in this newsletter a "Concerns and Complaints" flowchart, which we hope will make it easier for everyone if you have an issue with something that has happened at school. The full policy is available at the office for you to view if you are interested.

### OLD MOBILE PHONES:

Can be dropped off at the school office anytime for recycling - in support of Starship Hospital.



### LUCKY BOOK CLUB:

Closes tomorrow - Friday 31st July.

### PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Unichem

#### E2: Johnaeyah

For making fantastic progress with her reading and writing.

#### E3: Kobe

For making great progress with her reading and maths.

#### E4: Dezire

For working so hard with her reading. Very well done.

#### E5: Waihuruhia

For always working hard and sharing her good ideas during discussions.

#### E6: Calin

For awesome effort and being a respectful and helpful class member.

#### C1: Tia

For a fantastic description of the White Queen in Narnia.

#### C2: Dice

For having an excellent attitude to learning.

#### C3: Ariana

For her positive attitude and great effort in her learning.

#### C4: Aja

For a huge improvement in her learning attitude and her independent writing.



**Congratulations to Waihuruhia who won the Unichem Voucher !**

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PB4L-SW)



#### Kia Ora

Every Friday ALL of the students who have met our school behaviour expectations for the week earn "Green Day". The name "Green Day" comes from the fact that to earn it your name has to remain on green on the classroom chart all week and have no reflection sheets! Green Day is held in block 3 and each week well over 90% of our students get to choose from a wide variety of activities for a whole block. Some of the options the students have to choose from are: cooking, gymnastics, working on environmental projects, courts, sport, art lessons (last week it was clay sculpture), ipads, computers, loom bands, craft activities, learning french knitting and drawing. There really is something to suit everyone so it is no wonder that Friday Block 3 is the most popular block of the week!

If you have a special talent that you could share with a group of students on Fridays please let us know as we are always looking for new options to make "Green Day" exciting.

"ME MAHI TAHI TATOU MO TO ORANGA O TE KATOA"  
"WE ALL BENEFIT WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER"  
Kerry Farrant - PB4L-SW Team Leader.

### LEXILE READING AWARDS

Congratulations to Wyatt and Jeremiah who have earned their Blue Star Award and also to Shayleigh, Nicole, Searena and Dakota who earned their Red Star Award. Plus well done to Austin who earned his Bronze Star Award.

### SCHOOL LUNCHES

#### Monday/Wednesday/Friday

Toasted Sandwiches **or** full sandwiches (not toasted) - \$3 each, half sandwich (not toasted) - \$2

Milk Drinks & Fruit Drinks - \$2 each

#### Tuesday

Subway - filled roll, cookie & drink - \$5

#### Thursday

Sausage sizzle - Moosies, Jucies, Cookies & sausages - all \$1.50 each



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 31st July: Duffy Theatre (Starting at 11am)  
Monday 3 August: Technology Day (for Year 3)  
Thursday 3 September: Small Ball Day (for Years 4-6)

### ATTENDANCE

Some facts about school attendance.

Did you know that for your child to receive maximum benefit from their schooling they need to be at school 93% of the possible days? Your child's attendance figure for the first half of the year was on the bottom of their mid year school report.

Each day we are legally required to record who is at school and who is not. Teachers mark their class roll online twice a day.

All absences have to be coded-that's why we ask you why your child is away when you ring/text us or we ring/text you. We also have to record lateness.

Apart from medical reasons the following are the only justified reasons for being absent from school.

- Unplanned absences such as a bus breakdown, accident, road closure, extreme weather conditions, etc.

- Planned non attendance such as national/local representation in a sporting or cultural event in New Zealand or overseas.

- Approved absence can also include bereavement, visiting an ill relative, exceptional family circumstances.

Any other absences must be entered as E-explained unjustified.

All students attendance is monitored regularly by Mrs Farrant who is our attendance officer, and she attends the monthly meetings of the Putaruru Rock On Committee. These meetings are run by the Putaruru Police as it is a legal requirement for all students who are enrolled in a school to attend regularly.

This term we celebrated 22 students who had 100% attendance for the term. A number of these students are striving to achieve 100% attendance for the entire year! There were another 30 students who only had 1 or 2 days off in term 2! Congratulations to them too!

We all want our students to do well at school and one of the easiest ways we can do this is by making sure they are at school every day!

Please help us by phoning or texting the office, with a reason, if your child is going to be away - Phone: 883 7166 or Text/Phone: 027 279 1026.

Two of our students - Karly and Joanna holding the ribbons they were awarded for taking part in the ANZ Future Ferns.



### TOUCH RUGBY

Junior Touch will begin this term in Week 9 - Friday 18th September to Thursday 3rd December. The cost per student will be \$10 each. We will need parents/caregivers to act as coaches/referees and team helpers as well so if you are able to help out please see Karla at the school. Permission slips and enrolment forms will be sent home shortly - please return these signed as soon as possible - along with the payment to the school office.

### RULES FOR RIDING BIKES TO SCHOOL



As it is illegal to ride on the footpath it is recommended, by the police, that children be at least 10 years old before they ride their bikes on the road. Research shows, that before this age, children do not have the necessary skills or maturity to ride safely on the roads.

#### Guidelines:

1. Only children who are in Years 5 and 6, are to ride to school independently.
2. Children below this age group may only ride if accompanied by an adult.
3. Children will be required to have written permission from their parent/caregivers before riding to school - Permission Slips available at the school office.
4. The bicycle must be walked across the pedestrian crossing.

### NETBALL DRAW FRIDAY 31st JULY

3:45pm : PPS Magic Vs SM Navy Crt 3 (Yr 3/4)  
PPS Force Vs TW Snapper Crt 4 (Yr 5/6)

4:35pm : PPS Stars Vs Puke Kereru Crt 1 (Yr 3/4)  
PPS Magic Vs Tuakana Crt 3 (Yr 5/6)

### THIS IS THE LAST NIGHT OF NETBALL.

PRIZE GIVING WILL START AT 5:15pm.

All children to assemble in front of the pavilion in their team lines. Prize giving is for all Junior Teams and PNC Rep Players.

