



From the Principal's Desk



Talofa, Kia Ora and welcome to this week's newsletter.

Last week we were so proud of our Pasifika and Kapa Haka groups when they performed at the Invercargill Polyfest. Their performance was outstanding. These great experiences only happen with the work and support of many people. To our teachers, parents and friends of our school who help to coach, dress and organise our children; well done.

Coming up in the near future John Parsons will be running a parent evening on Monday, 11 September in the evening. This informative evening for parents is around cyber safety and how to get ready to keep your children safe. Something we all need to be aware of and to keep ahead of the game. Details to follow.

In this newsletter you will find dates for the Year 5 and 6 camps in November. So you can be ready to think about helping.

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Peter Hopwood

Principal

Important Dates 2017

September

Fri 1 Retell Finals
Fri 8 Middle/Senior Disco
Mon 11 John Parsons
Fri 15 Ski Trip
Tues 19 BOT Meeting
Mon 25 Photos
Fri 29 Last day of Term 3

October

Mon 16 Beginning Term 4
Tue 24 BOT Meeting

November

Mon 6—Wed 8 Rm 3 camp
Wed 8—Fri 10 Rm 4 camp
Fri 10—Sun 12 Rm 2 camp
Mon 13—Wed 15 Rm 1 camp
Wed 15—Fri 17 Rm 5 camp
Tue 21 BOT Meeting

December

Fri 15 Last day Term 4

2018

January

Thu 25 School Office opens
Mon 29 Teacher only day
Tues 30 Teacher only day
Wed 31 First day of Term 1

Please remember to let the office know of any changes in phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, emails etc.

Assembly

Fri 1 September - Full School
 1:20pm
Fri 8 September - Syndicate
 1:20pm Senior/Middle
 2:15pm Junior

Absences

School Stream App—go to Forms then Absentee Form and complete absence and submit or **text** your absences on 0273 727 070—child's first and last name, class and also reason for absence. (eg. Jane Smith Rm 3 sick.)



Photos from Polyfest 2017

Above: Kapa Haka Juniors
 Left: Pacifica
 Below: Kapa Haka Seniors





Polyfest 2017 CELEBRATE THE ENVIRONMENT

Whenua ki uta, whenua ki tai

Presented to

Room 5 Donovan Primary School

For

Painting: Printing Runner Up

As part of our Syndicate inquiry into sustainability we looked at our environment. The senior classes created art works around the theme 'Celebrate the Environment', Whenua ki ata, whenua ki tai which was the topic for the Polyfest Art Competition. Room 5 was lucky enough to be selected as a finalist and gained a Runner Up certificate and \$50.00.

The art work is currently on display at the Museum as part of the Polyfest Art Exhibiton.

Old CD's Wanted

Do you have any old CD's you could give to Mrs Allen for artwork projects with the children? If you do—please drop off to the office before the end of the term. We would love to use them.



Donovan Primary Junior Sticks Hockey Team who won the Primary School Year 1 and 2 competition. A special thank you to Lisa Black who coached this winning team.

New Students

We welcome our new students: Natayla Collie, Nicia Kent, Josiah Coe, Lee Davis, Jamie Philburn and Alicia Philburn. We hope they and their families enjoy their association with Donovan Primary.

Responsible Student Awards—Term 3, Week 4



Congratulations to these children who have shown good Donovan Values. Their names were drawn out at assembly. They can choose between a chocolate bar or an item of stationery. Chocolate seems to be a favourite.

Senior: Rm 3 Jade Russell, Molly Ronald, Rm 1 Lukas Heenan

Middle: Rm 6 Odyn Young, Rm 8 Bella Wilson, Rm 11 Hayden Russell

Junior : Rm 14 Isaac Thompson, Rm 19 Ava Gerrard, Rm 12 Dylan Forbes

Senior School Camp—Omaui

The following are the dates for respective classes to go on school camp—more information to follow.

Rm 3 Mon, 6 Nov—Wed, 8 Nov

Rm 4 Wed, 8 Nov—Fri, 10 Nov

Rm 2 Fri, 10 Nov—Sun, 12 Nov

Rm 1 Mon 13 Nov—Wed, 15 Nov

Rm 5 Wed 15 Nov—Fri 17 Nov

Camp this year is \$110 per student. We have endeavoured to keep the prices as low as possible. All children are expected to attend camp. We would like all camp payments to be paid to the school before camp starts.

You can pay;

- ⇒ direct to the school bank account 03-1742-0052461-00 using 'camp' and your child's name as reference
- ⇒ eftpos at school office
- ⇒ automatic payment (e.g. \$12 per week starting from now will be sufficient to cover fees before camp starts)

Please contact Maureen at the office if you have any concerns.

DISCO

**Senior and Middle School
Rooms 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,11**

Friday, 8 September

6:00 pm – 7:15 pm

\$2 entry with the canteen selling glow items
and food as usual

OR \$5 Disco Packs will be on sale at the door which
include disco entry, 1 x chips, 1 x water,
2 x lollies and 4 glowsticks

Theme: SPOOKY HALLOWEEN

Touch

Consent forms are out for Touch. If your child wishes to play please collect a form from the school office or complete the electronic form on School Stream. Forms need to be at the school office before Wednesday, 13 September.

Look for the School Stream App download instructions insert with this newsletter.

\$3 Pita Pit

Monday 4 September
\$3 lunch with Pita Pit!
Order online

Cricket

Consent forms for Cricket will be out on Monday, so if your child wishes to play please collect a form from the school office or complete the electronic form on School Stream.

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PTA News

CROISSANT UPDATE

Thank you so much to all of the families who have sold Croissants for the PTA fundraiser. Look out for notices about delivery dates which will be in week 9 of term 3 (the week of 18 September).

We sold a massive 92 boxes of croissants which is roughly 555 bags or 13,320 individual croissants – you guys are AMAZING!!!

Because there are soooooo many croissants it is important that you collect your croissant orders for on the day because they are frozen and need to stay that way!!!

Also if you still have an unsold form at home – that is ok but please just return the form or drop us a note so we can keep track.

FRIDAY CANTEEN LUNCH MENU—VOUCHERS

You are still able to purchase canteen vouchers. The only way to buy the vouchers is via Internet Banking – so simple

Pay \$20 into our Donovan Primary PTA Bank Account

Account Number

03 1742 0052744 00

Particulars

Family Name

Reference

Children's Room Number/s and Names

Please treat vouchers like cash.

Each voucher is dated and numbered with an expiry date - end of Term 4.

No Change will be given but you can use your voucher over a few Fridays.

Can only be used on Friday Canteen Menu.

All vouchers will be given to the eldest child at the school to go home on a Wednesday afternoon. Money has to be paid by Monday night to get the vouchers on a Wednesday.

If you have any questions please email pta@donovanprimary.ac.nz

SENIOR AND MIDDLE DISCO

Date: Friday 8 September

Time: 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm

Who: Rooms 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,11 Theme: **SPOOKY HALLOWEEN!**

Cost \$2 Entry – with the Canteen selling Glow items and food as usual

OR \$5 Disco Packs will be on sale at the door which include Disco Entry, 1 x Chips, 1 x Water, 2 x Lollies and 4 glow sticks

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SUNZ Holiday Camp—'Pyramid Rock'

Come travel with us down the Nile River into the heart of Ancient Egypt. Discover something of God through the multi-coloured life of Joseph carved out in the shadows of the great pyramids. Registration forms are available at the office for this SUPAkidz Camp held at Edendale, 2 - 5 October 2017 for senior primary school children in School Years 4-6. Contact Nigel Winder for more information 03 214 1834, or go to www.sunz.org.nz/supakidz-camps.

Whack n Run

Squash Southland are excited to offer you our fun after school squash programme, Whack n Run. This will run for a total of 6 weeks and is an individual event. Numbers are limited to a maximum of 16 per day. Years 3-6 – Tuesdays; years 7 & 8 – Wednesdays and year 9 and up - Thursdays. All participants must be able to hold a rally. Students will play against similar abilities wherever possible. Register now to play in the Term 4 Whack n Run season—form is at the school office. ILT Stadium Southland, Isabella Street, Invercargill, 6 weeks (NB – week off Nov14/15/16 as stadium courts are unavailable) balls and racquets supplied, eye wear included, \$25.00 per student. Fun, social competition with certificates included.

STS Exchange

We are currently looking for Host families to give students the 'Kiwi Experience' way of life. This is to give our overseas students from America and Europe the opportunity and unique experience to come to school in New Zealand. We have a student that is needing a new Host family. Alessandro is attending Southland Boys High and would love a family with siblings. If you would like any further information contact Rachel McKeay, STS Student Travel Schools, 0800 991 991, 0274544160 or email mckeay@yahoo.co.nz



School Stream App – Donovan Primary

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School Stream is a school communication app that is fast becoming the preferred method of communicating with parents for schools across the country! **Parents are really driving this technology. It makes their lives so much easier.**

The School Stream app makes a school's job of communicating with parents...

Easier - incredibly simple to use to deliver all forms, newsletters, event information and alerts direct to parent's devices. Can auto translate into 80 languages.

More effective - with information arriving as a push notification on the parent's phone, we see a 98% open rate. No more lost forms and letters at the bottom of the school bag. Absentee forms, excursion consent forms, sports registrations and more can be filled in, signed and sent from the parent's phone in seconds.

Saves the school money - save a huge amount of money by slashing the time spent to produce, print, deliver and following up on all forms of parent communication - not to mention paper costs.

It's where all schools are headed - communication apps are rapidly taking over as the preferred method of keeping in touch with parents. Download School Stream now.

How to get the School Stream app on your mobile device

From your mobile device go to the App Store (iPhone/iPad) or Play Store (Android), search for School Stream and download the app to your phone.

Make sure you agree to push notifications

Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type your schoolname into the search then select your school. For more detailed instructions go to schoolstream.com.au/download

Are your children attending different schools? Tap the school selector, ⬅ select add a school, type the school name* into the search then add. Jump between your children's schools by touching the school name/logo in the top blue bar, or switch schools from the slide-in menu.

*Any additional schools will need to be licensed users of School Stream to appear in the app.

Choose what notifications you receive

Open the School Stream app on your mobile device

From the slide-in menu, go to Settings

Under Edit/Alerts select My Schools and select your School to open the Notifications page

Toggle notifications on or off individually (e.g. Alerts, Events, Newsletters, etc.)

When you have finished, use the Back button to return to the Settings page, then select Done to return to your School

DEAR PARENT

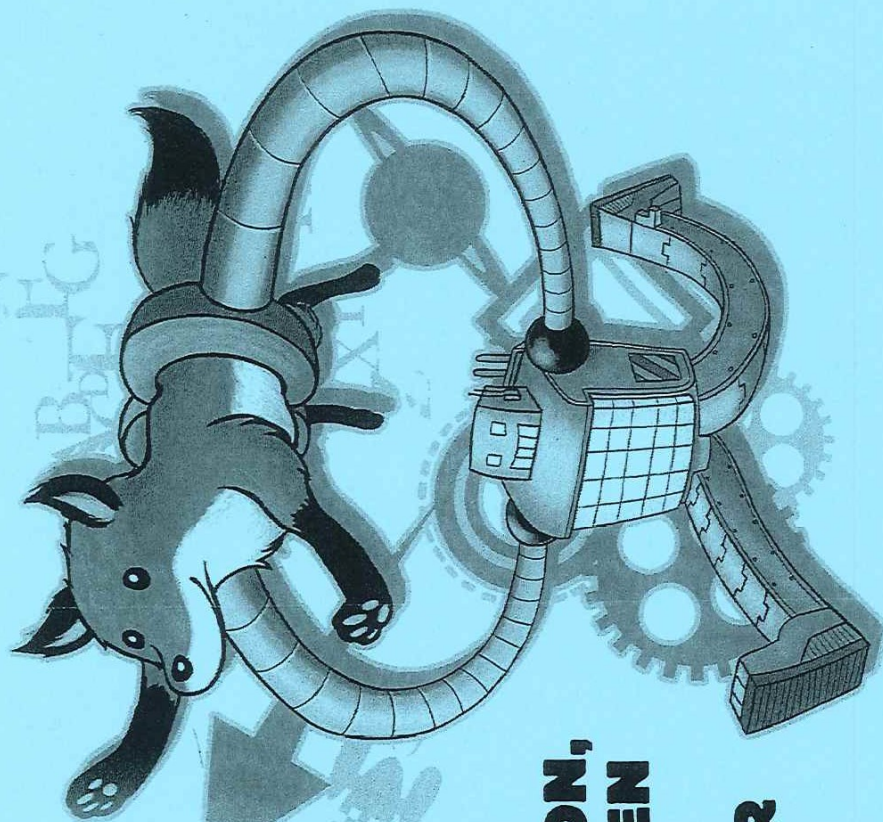
NumberWorks'nWords can help your child reach greater heights with our expert after-school Maths and English tuition.

From New Entrant to Year 11, no matter whether they're struggling to keep up, or bursting to race ahead, NumberWorks'nWords promises to give your child's education – and confidence – a real boost.

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Call today to book your free assessment,
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about your child's progress.

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Kind regards,
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