



COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 7th August

Term 3 - Week 3

Clare's Corner

When I was reporting to the BoT at the last meeting, in regards to the parent, teacher, student conferences, I was very pleased to be able to say that out of 155 students (at the time) there were only 9 people who we were unable to make contact (and I must say that most of those had a very good reason - overseas, hospital etc. **SO a huge thank** you to you all - this commitment from you is vital for your child/children. Remember that these conferences are to ensure that you have a clear understanding where your child is at in all areas of school life and where together we can help them to move forward. Having contact with us, and especially your child's teacher is vital. PLEASE, if you need assistance in understanding this, for your child / children then I would ask you to contact me personally, (principal@southend.school.nz)

Good luck to all our students who are taking part in the football tournament tomorrow at the Featherston football grounds. The tournament commences at **10am** and Parents are welcome to come along and cheer us on. Food will be available at the venue, but please ensure your child has a big lunch, lots of water and warm clothing. We will be departing just after 9.00am and returning to school before 3.00pm.

Are you are keen? - Would you like to help? Every Thursday, weather permitting, there is a group of parents who come together to work on our gardens (food forest etc) so if you have some spare time and would be keen to help they would love to have you - many hands make light work!!!



Many thanks - to a friend of SES for donating at least 15 trucks of soil for our playground development - it all helps!

Gem / Thought for the day

One kind word can change someone else's entire day.... Try it!

**Ngā mihi, zai jian,
Clare**

A friendly reminder of our school values:

Show Respect	Become Resourceful	Build Resilience
Children respect themselves, their whanau and their environment, treating others as they would like to be treated. To create an environment that is supportive and fosters aroha and a sense of community.	We support children to develop their own initiative and creativity, by fostering innovation, guiding decision making and embracing problem solving through risk taking.	Children develop a lifelong love of learning and the skills they need to face the world with confidence and overcome life's challenges.

We want to make sure that we live by these values in all aspects of our school life. Last week in Whānau groups the children looked at showing respect to others who come into our school.

- Making sure they introduce themselves
- Ask if they need a hand with anything
- Ensure they feel welcome

We hope that this will spill over at home too.

Whānau Groups and Hui:

Just wanting to let you know that we are holding **Whānau Groups** every 2nd week on a regular basis so the groups can work together to strengthen our school values together as a team.

Our school wide **Hui** will be held every other week on a Wednesday @ 2.15pm - 2.45 pm **everyone is welcome.**

Hui timetable for term 3:-

Wednesday 7th August @ 2.15pm

Wednesday 21st August @ 2.15pm

Wednesday 4th Sept @ 2.15pm

Wednesday 18th Sept @ 2.15pm

What's happening at school?

World Peace Day

For the first time we have a children's art exhibition commemorating this day.

Called Tumanako (Hope) the opening of this exhibition will be held at Greytown Library on Sunday August 11 at 1.30pm. Around 30 artworks have been submitted from our children. On the day a few of the senior students will be present as Ambassadors of Peace and will help to open the exhibition. A few other schools from the Wairarapa have also submitted artwork. The artwork will be exhibited for the week. Please do support your children by attending the opening.

Te Taiao / Nature exhibition

Next Monday, 12 August, all **year 5 & 6 students** will be travelling to Wellington to visit the new exhibition at Te Papa. As the bus is leaving at 8.00am sharp **we ask that students, who are going to be at school by 7.45am.** Please make your student has plenty of food, plenty of H2O, 100% manners and sensible and neat clothing.

If your child will not be attending it is vital that you let us know asap so we can replace them with another student as all our bookings with Te Papa and the bus are for confirmed numbers.

Pie orders

Don't forget to get those orders in as they are due back next Wednesday (14 August).

Orders and money to the office or, you can pay online to account South End School fundraising, BNZ **02-0608-0056520-001 (don't forget you still need to send your order back to the office).**

Remember there is a Lonestar voucher for the family who sells the most pies!!! Monies raised will go towards our playground development.

Pre Warning:

Whole school Wearable Arts show - Tuesday 24th September - 6-7pm

All our students will be involved in this show so we do hope you will place this on your calendar and join us.

Congratulations to our student Troy Hayes who won a medal for his efforts, here is his story.



Tough Guy and Gal Challenge (TGC) - Troy Hayes, Totara 1

Last Friday I had a day off school because I had the Tough Guy and Gal Challenge. When I got to Linton army site the people had to take a photo of our number plate and our ID, then we got our parking spot. The camo soldier told us where to park. We got our stuff out of my friend Billy's Mum's car and we went to the army deluxe shed. My Mum bought me a TGC hoodie.

I then had the race briefing talk. We were taken in pairs. For example blue first for the years 6/7 and then green for the year 5s and last was red for the year 4s.

Then we ran the race. It went on and on and on. There was mud and water we had to go through. We had to go under a camo web net. There was climbing as well. It was freezing cold. I felt very proud of myself for finishing the course.

REMINDERS FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

Monday 12th August	Year 5 & 6 students to Te Papa
Week 12th - 16th August	Matharapa
Week 16th - 20th September	Artsplash
Tuesday 24th September	End of term celebration and show
Wednesday 25th - Friday 27th Sept	Year 8 camp
Friday 27th September	End of term 3

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

QUIZ NIGHT

St Mary's school is holding a quiz night next Friday, 16 August to help raise funds for the Ys 7&8 trip to Rarotonga 2020. Doors open at the Carterton Events Centre @ 6.30pm - the quiz starts at 7.00pm.

Teams of 6, \$60 per team. Registration forms - email: tania@saintmarys.school.nz or call into the school office to pick one up. There will be a cash bar and raffles.

South End School - Important Information to retain

The school office is open from **8.30am - 3.30pm**. Anytime you need to contact the school regarding general school information, change of parent/child information or financial information, please either phone on 06 379 4000 or email secretary@southend.school.nz and Sandy will be happy to assist you.

After school care

South End after school care is held here at **South End School Monday - Friday 3.00pm - 5.30pm**. Please contact Mia - 021 246 0555 or email miawilson74@yahoo.co.nz

H2O only

A reminder, we are a Water Only School - we encourage all students to have a water bottle with them at school. If a child brings another type of drink to school the teachers will take the drink off them and give it back at the end of the day, to take it home.

Hats

Due to health reasons we have decided we will not issue hats (thus sharing) SO all students need to have a sunsmart hat at school at all times. **NO HAT - NO PLAY!** Please remember that a cap is not sunsmart. When we wear the school sports tops we will issue hats for the event and then these will be collected and washed.

Making payments to the school

A friendly reminder; we do not have an eftpos machine at school therefore, if you want to make a payment for stationery etc, and don't want to pay by cash, you can make an online payment using the following: South End School Board of Trustees, BNZ 02-0608-0056520-000 reference: child's name / what you are making the payment for (ie: stationery/donation/camp)

School voluntary Donations

Thank you to those of you who have made a donation to the school for this year. These donations are very much appreciated and help toward extra curricular activities, i.e. visiting artists, shows, buses to activities etc. If you would like to make a donation, please read the following as a guideline.

\$50 for a full year,
\$35 when enrolling in Term 2,
\$23 when enrolling in Term 3 and
\$12 when enrolling in Term 4.

In the case of a family having more than two children at school, there will be a maximum fee of \$100.

SUN screen will need to be applied daily - children should come to school with sunscreen on please. Each class has a pottle of sunscreen for children to use to replenish during the day as needed.

School Hours

9.00am bell	all children to be in class to start the day
12.20 - 12.40pm	children eat their lunch either in their classroom or under the trees
12.40pm bell	playtime
01.30pm bell	return to class
03.00pm bell	finish school for the day

Term Dates for 2019: Term 1 Wed 30 Jan - Fri 12 Apr, Term 2 Mon 29 Apr - Fri 05 Jul,
Term 3 Mon 22 Jul - Fri 27 Sep, Term 4 Mon 14 Oct - Fri 13 Dec

Absences from school:

Please, when you have a child/ren away from school we need to be notified that they will not be attending class that day before 9.00am. This is for their safety. If we are not notified and can get no answer from our phone calls, checking where the child is and to ensure they are safe, we have to mark them as truant. Also, if your child is off school sick for more than three days we require a doctors' certificate for our records (children under 13 yrs visit free to a doctor). We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.