



St Martins School | Te Kura o Hato Mātene  
Newsletter 6 : 4 May 2023

## SCHOOL UPDATE

Kia ora koutou,

We hope everyone had an enjoyable break during the holidays, hopefully some time with friends and family.

This week we welcome Caiden, Ezra, Rachel, Kailey, Tyler, Rafe, Kyle, Hamish and Finley to St Martins | Hato Mātene. We hope you enjoy the learning experiences on offer and get involved in lots of new opportunities.

Thank you to Graham Hickman for coming to school last Friday and finishing the week with the playing of the last post at the waharoa.

All classes have settled back into the routines of learning for the term. Please refer to the team newsletters sent home for information about the areas of learning for the term.

This week we welcome Darnelle to the school to be modelling structured literacy in all spaces. We will be able to observe her taking small groups, followed by a pod teacher discussion and a staff meeting.

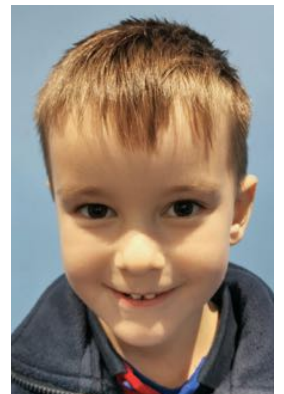
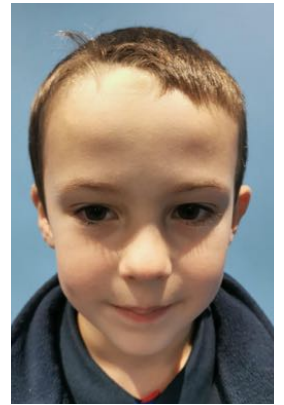
We are thrilled to announce that Te Ahi Ora will be coming to St Martins School this year. They deliver free performing arts lessons (non fire lessons) followed by a free evening Fire Performances and lessons for the community. The tutors will demonstrate some top level skills for the first 15 minutes, and the rest of the time is spent teaching the community how to perform with fire. Students, staff and families are invited to attend an **evening session (6 - 8pm)** at the end of each day.

- Friday 19th May - Y5 / 6
- Monday 22nd May - Y0 - 2
- Tuesday 23rd May Y3 / 4
- Wednesday 24th May - Y7 / 8

The evening sessions will be held on the field. For safety reasons we have been asked that you ensure the following;

1. Please do not wear clothing that is loose or made from synthetic / plastic fabrics. No onesies, tutus, wigs, skirts, dresses etc. Please wear pants, Cotton and denim are perfect. If you or your child or dressed in clothing that is deemed to be unsafe you will not be able to perform with fire. This is at the discretion of the tutors. Clothing may accumulate small amounts of black soot, it is recommended not to wear brand new or expensive clothing.
2. If your child has long / fluffy hair, please bring a hair tie or wear a hat.
3. It is recommended bringing fold out camping chairs, water bottles, blankets (if cold). You are welcome to take photos and videos during the evening.

This term we are starting an enrichment te reo session. The session will build on aspects from the classroom setting. The focus will be on the understanding of the structure of te reo as well as learning through games. We will have a pilot class led



by Mrs Susie Keenan for an hour each week. We are going to offer this enrichment group to ākongā in the Y3 - 6 area. The class will be limited in numbers as we work through what this programme would look like, ensuring it is successful and sustainable. We will be asking children in the Y3 - 6 area next week if they would like to join this group.

We have been fortunate to gain \$11 500 in outside funding from Pub Charity Ltd for the Y7 / 8 camp. This will help bring the overall cost of the camp down, however, the cost per child is still above the capped \$250. Camp is now 8 weeks away. At this point in time we have 1/3 of children's accounts paid for camp - thank you. We would be extremely grateful for as many full or part payments as possible. If you would like to set up a weekly / fortnightly payment to spread the cost of camp across the year feel free to do so.

Our chromebook numbers are about to get a boost with an extra 60 coming into the school through \$15,600 of outside funding from Trillian Trust and Air Rescue Services. Thanks to Megan for her wonderful work in supporting our funding applications.

We have a number of sports opportunities starting up this term. These may be during or after school. Thank you to whānau members who are available to support children with winter sports either at Hagley or within our zone cluster of schools and after school basketball. A number of year groups have started training for the cross country this term.. It is great to see so many ākongā having a really good go at improving their fitness and running skills. PThe Y7 / 8 children had their first session presented by Attitude focussing on identity and decision making. Conversations around Galen's work of:

- Lions - leaders, decisive, bottom line, problem-solvers, not conversational
- Otters - fun-loving, entertainers, net workers, motivators, creative, talkers
- Retrievers - loving, nurturing, loyal, good listeners, encouragers
- Beavers - hard-working, detailed, accurate, focused on quality

Acknowledging that we have all of the above attributes in different amounts at different times.

Kia pai te wiki mutunga, have a great weekend.

Andrew

## ST MARTINS SCHOOL PTA

### Events planned for this term:

- **Library Fundraiser:** The new library needs a few finishing touches so we will be running a "give-a-little" style fundraiser to buy new soft and hard furnishings. You will also have the opportunity to donate towards a number of book series, as chosen by the children.
- **Move X:** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June from 6.30 - 8.30pm. Limited to 200 children. Tickets will be sold closer to the time through the PTA fundraising website.
- **Pasta Vera:** It has been a few years since the pasta fundraiser was held. It will run from Monday 12 June for the rest of the term with delivery the first week of Term 3.
- **Movie Night:** A night out at Deluxe @ The Tannery for parents and caregivers and their friends and family. More information to come soon.

**Bulb Delivery:** The bulbs were bagged up this morning and will be heading home with children from tomorrow. Thanks to those who supported this fundraiser.



**Bean Bag Beans:** In anticipation of providing the library with some new bean bags in the above fundraiser, if anyone has any spare beans they would like to donate, please email [info@smartcommunity.org.nz](mailto:info@smartcommunity.org.nz)

**Save The Date:** The disco will be held on Friday 28 July.

**Next Meeting:** AGM, Monday 08 May, 7.30pm, School Hall. Refreshments from 6.45pm.

**Contact Us:** [info@smartcommunity.org.nz](mailto:info@smartcommunity.org.nz)

## TERM 2 COSTS

Term 2 Costs have been added to your family's accounts. Thanks to everyone who has payments already this term. If your child is participating in the William Pike Challenge (\$60), Hagley Winter Sport (\$53), Strike Percussion (\$5), Hip Hop groups (\$30), EPro8 (\$15) payment is required before your child can attend.

We have now made the pay Online option available on Hero, as well as the existing options of direct credit, eftpos and cash in the office.

For further information, [please click on the link to our school website](#).

If you have paid the donations, you can claim back from IRD. All donation receipts are available in your Hero account, under the Statements tab.

## TERM TWO

2	Mon 1 May	Tue 2 May	Wed 3 May	Thu 4 May	Fri 5 May
	High Fliers Attitude presentation			Newsletter	Y7 / 8 Technology Assembly
3	Mon 8 May	Tue 9 May	Wed 10 May	Thu 11 May	Fri 12 May
		William Pike Yr 7 & 8 Yr 0-2 CTFC sessions	William Pike Yr 7 & 8 Garden to Table Rm 13 & 14		Y7 / 8 Technology
4	Mon 15 May	Tue 16 May	Wed 17 May	Thu 18 May	Fri 19 May
	Cross Country Yr 3-8 Hansens Park Showquest Town Hall	Explorers CTFC sessions Discoverers Vernon Park Volcano Trip	Garden to Table Room 15 & 16	Newsletter Cross Country Postponement Date	Y7 / 8 Technology Assembly
5	Mon 22 May	Tue 23 May	Wed 24 May	Thu 25 May	Fri 26 May
	Discoverers Hockey Te Ahi Ora Fire Performance Yr 0-2, 6-8pm	Year 5-8 Zone Cross Country Explorers CTFC sessions Te Ahi Ora Fire Performance Yr 3-4, 6-8pm	Garden to Table Rm (rm 13 & 14) Te Ahi Ora Fire Performance Yr 7-8, 6-8pm	Wintersport starts (Yr 5-8)	Y7 / 8 Technology
6	Mon 29 May	Tue 30 May	Wed 31 May	Thu 1 June	Fri 2 June
	Discoverers Hockey	Explorers CTFC sessions Discoverers 1 / 2 Science Expt	Garden to Table (Rm 15 & 16)	Newsletter Wintersport (Yr 5 / 8)	Y7 / 8 Technology Assembly



7	Mon 5 June	Tue 6 June	Wed 7 June	Thu 8 June	Fri 9 June
	King's Birthday	Life Education	Life Education Garden to Table (Rm 13 & 14)	Life Education Wintersport Year 5-8	Y7 / 8 Technology Life Education
8	Mon 12 June	Tue 13 Jun	Wed 14 June	Thu 15 June	Fri 16 June
	Discoverers Hockey		Garden to Table (Rm 15 & 16)	Newsletter Wintersport Year 5-8	Y7 / 8 Technology Assembly
9	Mon 19 June	Tue 20 June	Wed 21 June	Thu 22 June	Fri 23 June
	Highfliers camp (rm 9 & 10) Discoverers Hockey Huff n Puff 11.45am -12.30pm	Highfliers Camp (rm 9 & 10) Huff n Puff Postponement	Highfliers Camp (rm 9 & 10) Highfliers Camp (Rm 11 & 12) Canterbury Cross Country Garden to Table (Rm 13 & 14)	Wintersport Year 5-8 Highfliers Camp (Rm 11 & 12)	Art Mural Group 1.00-3.00pm Highfliers Camp (Rm 11 & 12)
10	Mon 26 June	Tue 27 June	Wed 28 June	Thu 29 June	Fri 30 June
	Korfball Tournament (Yr 5-8) Mid year reports go home	Zone Cross Country (Yr 0-4) Epro 8 Internal Event	EPro8 Internal Event Korfball Top 2 qualifying teams	Epro8 Internal Event Newsletter	Epro8 Internal Event Y7 / 8 Technology Assembly Art Mural Group <b>Term 2 finishes</b>

## COMMUNITY NOTICES



**ST MARTINS SCOUTS  
SECOND HAND  
SNOW GEAR SALE**

**MAY 13TH 9AM-1PM**  
**GEAR DROP: MAY 12TH 6PM-8.30PM**

**297 CENTAURUS ROAD**



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