

8th February 2018, Week 2 Term 1

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

So wonderful to have all of our eager learners back at school! The restructuring has really helped to focus small explicit group learning to meet the needs of each student. Our routines are just about up and running smoothly in each of the three classes. The morning program foci are Maths, phonics and spelling, reading and writing and these are supported by home learning tasks that students need to complete daily. Please regularly log into Seesaw to view your child's learning and make a comment on the actual learning.

The junior room (Fantails) have started our first Inquiry "Sustaining Me" with the big idea of looking after my body, mind and soul. The senior rooms (Kereru & Tokoeka) will start next week as they have been doing more in-depth learning about the Treaty of Waitangi.

The staff are committed to your students' learning and building three way partnerships with you all. So please keep in regular contact by either phone, email or preferably in person. The classroom doors are always open and we encourage you all to visit.

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Cheryl = Kereru

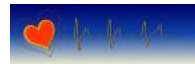
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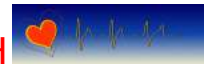
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HEALTH



Just a wee reminder with this incredibly warm summer to keep an eye on water bottle cleanliness, hair for little friends and skin for any unusual markings or spots. It is great to see more fruit creeping into lunch boxes!

### **JOHN PARSONS RE CYBER SAFETY**

**We are very lucky to have internationally respected John Parsons here on Monday 12th February 2018 for the students AND the community!**

**Please come to listen to his advice and ask questions!**

John Parsons is an Internet Safety and Risk Assessment Consultant to schools providing specialist advice and direction on the safe use of Digital Communication Technology.

Timetable:

10:30 - 12:00 Years 5, 6, 7 & 8 (15 students)

12:00 - 12:30pm Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 (11 students)

**1:00 - 2:00pm Parents in Library (BBQ lunch provided)**

2:15 - 3:00pm Years 5, 6, 7 & 8 (possibly in two groups for further questions)

3:30pm - 4:00pm Staff meeting

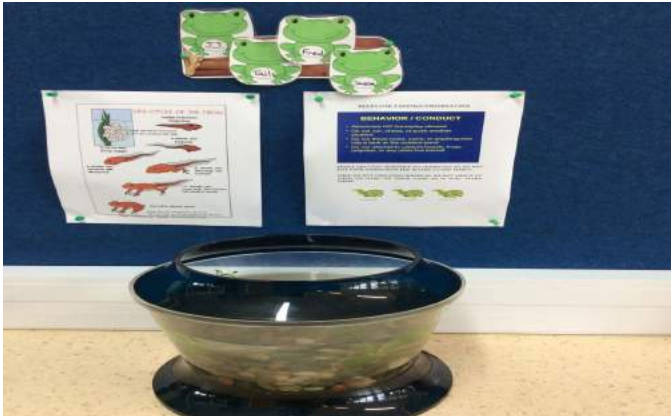


- 12th February John Parsons re cyber safety
- 13th February BOT meeting at school 7.30pm - all welcome!!
- 19th to 23rd February Swimming at Gore Aquatic Centre
- 25th February Winton wide garage sale - school stall at Drill Hall in Winton
- 2nd March Book bus
- 8th March Athletics (at CSC) with postponement Friday 9th March
- 3rd April Southland Anniversary
- 9th April to 12th April Year 7&8 Technology (Winton School)

## **SWIMMING REMINDER**

For swimming 19th to 23rd February week please ensure that your child has TWO towels each day in separate plastic bags to ensure they are able to dry off properly after each swimming session. Unless you have been in touch we are assuming that you are driving students on your designated day. Your support is truly appreciated.

## ***MORE NEW ARRIVALS!!***



We have tadpoles! The new addition to our school will help teach the students about metamorphosis and encourage them to look after our environment as frogs are very sensitive to pollutants. Their names were drawn out of a hat and are Fred, Jason, JJ and Tails!! Thank you to Rachael and Cayden Harding for bringing in their frogs for the whole school to see today - we cannot wait for our own little tadpoles to grow up!



## **Fantails**

Congratulations Gretchen for being the first student to take up the extra home learning challenge. We are excited about your presentation in the morning!

The Junior students are loving the new Early Words Program:



## **Tokoeka**

The middle students (Kelly-Rose, Tanesha, Masa, Baidyn & Gaby) have drafted an explanation of their understanding of the Treaty of Waitangi:

*The Treaty of Waitangi is an important contract between Maori people and England's Queen Victoria. Maori are the indigenous people of New Zealand, they were hunters and gatherers before Pakeha (Europeans) arrived on huge sailing ships from the early 1820's.*

*When Pakeha arrived they took lots of the Maori land by initiating wars with guns. The Maori chiefs and tribes (Iwi) became mournful and harmed. The Pakeha were villainous! Queen Victoria sent Busby, Williams and Hobson to New Zealand to stop the fighting, make laws and claim land for the British.*

*Williams helped create the written Maori language for the British people to understand. Maori people did not need to write before Pakeha arrived. But Queen Victoria requested a contract between the Maori and the Pakeha. So Williams worked with lots of Maori chiefs to befriend them and teach them about Christianity and European life.*

*In 1840 chiefs were asked to attend a meeting at Waitangi to sign a treaty with Pakeha. On 6th February 1840, 34 Maori chiefs signed The Treaty of Waitangi even though they did not understand the writing. Some chiefs did not sign because they did not agree with the clauses. Hone Heke and Te Ruki Kawiti both signed The Treaty of Waitangi but later they challenged British rule. Hone Heke chopped down the Waitangi grounds flag pole three or four times because he was angry and frustrated for his people.*



*The Treaty of Waitangi did not stop all the fighting because Maori felt poor and hard done by. Recently Maori people, their land, resources and their language have been valued more by Pakeha. The Treaty of Waitangi is a great contract for our generation because it helps make everything fair in New Zealand.*

## Kereru

It has been an absolute pleasure to receive eager applications for leadership from every senior student. This is one example from Jessica:



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Friday 2nd February 2018

Dear Principal and Staff of Hedgehope School,

### Leadership Application 2018

I am writing to you to apply for the roles of Fundraising Leader, Assembly Leader and Enviro Leader. With my ability to work with other and brighten up a day Hedgehope school will be better than ever.

#### Fundraising leader:

I would love to be a Fundraising Leader, so that I can help the school with experiences and learning opportunities. We have students at our school that are not able to go on every trip due to lack of money. so I and the fellow Fundraising Leaders will help get everyone participating. Ideas = Bake sale, vegetable sale and sausage sizzle would be a great way to raise money! If I am there to help we can raise enough for sports equipment is well!

#### Assembly leader:

I am applying for the role of Assembly Leader to expand my leadership knowledge and for the opportunity to grow with my learning. I would love this role in the school, to give out certificates and create fun temptations with the Mad Money (after we adopt a Kakapo). I would also love the opportunity to come up with new funky awards for the student to love.

#### Enviro leader:

I was lucky enough last year to get the role of Enviro Leader and would love to do it again this year. I love the environment and the great outdoors. In my opinion we need to get rid of some of the flax bushes out of the front to make the school more visible for the community. I would love to be involved in this environment.

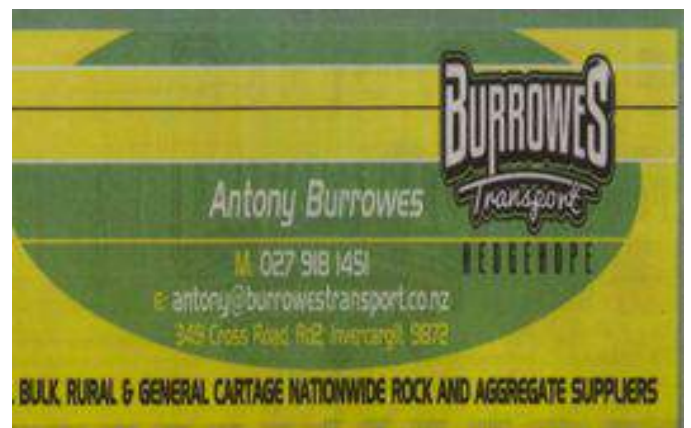
Yours truly  
Jessica Gallagher



The Winton Wide Garage Sale is being held on Sunday 25th March 2018. The school will have a stall in Drill Hall again and we are once again asking for kind donations of good quality household/ farming equipment. We are happy to come and collect donations - call the office on 03 230 6106 or Jayne on 0220 449 665.



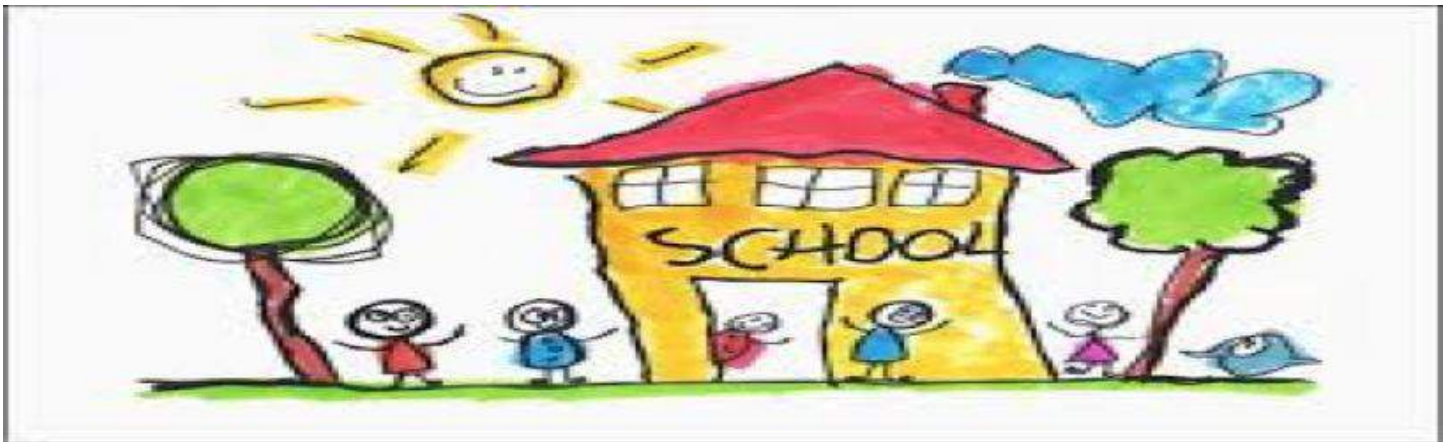
PLEASE REMEMBER THE BBQ LUNCH ON MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY WHICH IS FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY, FOLLOWED BY THE AMAZING JOHN PARSONS TO HELP US ALL KEEP OURSELVES AND OUR YOUNG PEOPLE SAFE ONLINE. ALL WELCOME!!!



## CALLING OUR FABULOUS HEDGEHOPE COMMUNITY!!!!



Hedgehope School has an amazing little library available for our community – just pop in to the office to register onto our Library system and you are then welcome to borrow books from 8am – 4pm, Monday – Friday during term time. Suggestions for book purchases are always welcome to ensure you get the best possible use out of our awesome little facility!



### Transition to School Programme

We will be starting a Transition to School session from Week 5 of this term. A weekly session of fun and learning activities on a Thursday morning from 12:00pm. Pre schoolers will be welcome to stay for lunch that concludes at 1:40pm.

Please tell anyone that you know in the area and ask them to give the school a call to find out more.



Please call the school if you have skills you would be happy to pass on to our students – it can be anything from woodworking to music to Te Reo – anything goes – the more our younger generations can learn from their community, the better prepared they will be to face the future and the more community-minded we can make them! If you would be prepared to offer an hour a week reading with or to our juniors, we would also love to hear from you!