



DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

Wed 4	Enviro trip to Waitawa Park
Fri 6	Enviro Seaweed Muffi Day
Wed 11	WSB Pool Party
Fri 13	FODS Ride to School
Thur 19	3-Way Conferencing 2pm school finish
Fri 20	School Assembly 9.10am FODS Easter Muffi Day

APRIL

Thur 2	BOT meeting 6.30pm
Fri 3	School Assembly 9.10am
Mon 6	FODS meeting 7.00pm
Tue 7	FODS Easter raffle drawn
Thur 9	Last day of term

TEACHER ONLY DAYS

- Tuesday 2 June
- Monday 7 September
- Monday 9 November

PARKING ALONG YOUNG CRESCENT

Please ensure, when parking along Young Crescent, that your vehicle is parked correctly between the white lines i.e. **that you are only taking up a single car space**. Your care and consideration will be appreciated by others attempting to find a car park during the busy periods before and after school.



SUSHI ORDERS

From Term 2 sushi orders will only be available on KINDO. We will no longer be accepting any cash orders from Term 2. Make sure you've signed up to KINDO. If you need support to do this or have any queries please call their helpdesk freephone 0508 454 636

Principal's Reflection

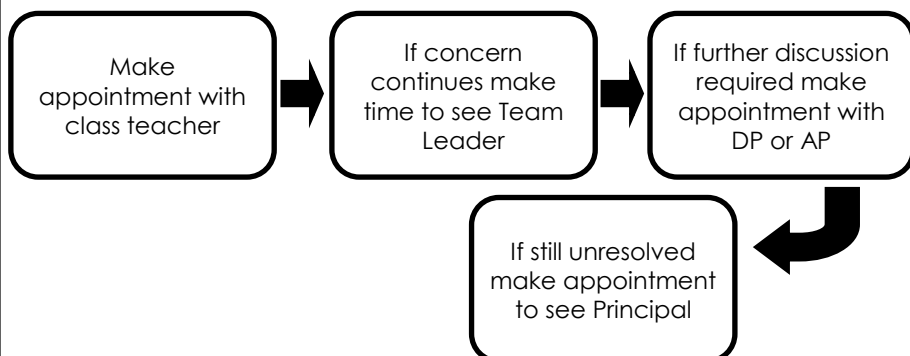
Kia Ora Koutou.

We are now half way through Term 1. Students are settled into their learning and engaging in a variety of experiences inside and outside the classroom.

You may have heard in the news recently that the Ministry of Education are trialling a new attendance service in the Papakura area. There is a real push from the Ministry to improve the poor levels of attendance throughout the area. Getting into good routines from the time your child starts school, and being consistent, is the key to ensuring your child attends regularly. We know that attendance has a big effect on achievement - so we need your children here at school, unless they are unwell. We will be monitoring attendance throughout the year and look forward to seeing some improving patterns.

You will have seen my message earlier in the week regarding coronavirus. We continue to receive regular updates from the MOE and MOH and will respond to these based on the advice provided to us. Please ensure you have the school app, as this is the best way to share updates with you.

If you have any concerns throughout the year it is important that you follow the correct procedure for addressing these. Your first point of contact should be your child's class teacher. They know your child well and will be able to discuss any concerns related to them. If you are not able to solve an issue after discussion with the class teacher you should follow the flow chart below.



3-WAY CONFERENCES - ALL YEAR LEVELS ON THURSDAY 19 MARCH

This year all 3-Way Conferences will be held on the same day - Thursday 19 March from 2.10pm until 8.00pm. **School closes at 2pm that day to enable to conferences to take place.**

Please access and book your 3-Way Conference via the online facility www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the **Event Code b8tap** before following the prompts to book your time. (A link to the site is available under the 'links' section on the school app.)

FODS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This week FODS held their Annual General Meeting. The following people were re-elected to the committee:

Secretary: Ange Greenwood
Treasurer: Scott Griffiths
Assistant Treasurer: Joanna Waters

FODS were unable to appoint a chairperson at the AGM and are looking for someone to fill this role. The role of chairperson is to oversee the FODS events. This does not mean that you have to be involved in organisation and running of all these events - we have a great team of people to do this. In order to continue to provide the great FODS events and fundraising for the school, we need someone to step up to this role. The FODS Committee can provide support to you throughout the year. Please get in touch with FODS if you are able to help out with this role for 2020.

As previously stated the Board has allocated funding from FODS in 2019 to the following projects which will be completed this year:

- cushion fall for both playgrounds
- pool cover
- additional outdoor seating
- learning support resources

RIDE TO SCHOOL - FRIDAY 13 MARCH

24 vehicles are confirmed for this fun event which has become an annual tradition here at Drury School!

Cash sales for RTS tickets will be available each morning through to next Tuesday from 8.15 - 8.55am on the library steps. Alternatively you can pay via KINDO.

(Your child will then be provided with their tickets during the day and can enter the draw for the ride they want to go in.)

Tickets cost \$2 for one ticket; \$5 for three tickets; \$10 for eight tickets.

The winning student and their friends are then collected from their house on the morning on Friday 13 March and driven through Drury to school. At school they are part of the parade which drive around the field in front of the whole school who are then given the opportunity to view the vehicles.

A coffee cart will be at school that morning for parents to grab a coffee/hot chocolate while waiting for the vehicles to arrive.

Please remember that parking will be limited on York Street on the morning on Friday 13th.

A huge thank you to Cathrine Reid and Paul Cleary for their organisation of this event and to those parents who are overseeing ticket sales and those who have offered to provide food for the drivers' morning tea.



ECCS SWIMMING RESULTS

Congratulations to the 25 Year 6 & 7 students who represented Drury School at ECCS Swimming last Friday. We are especially proud of our Year 6 students who competed in their first East Counties competition. They had a positive experience and are looking forward to their next opportunity to represent the school.

Well done to the students who will be going on to represent us at Counties Swimming this Friday: **Cooper S, Zyden W, Olivia M and Abby R.**



SCHOOL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Our school has been working with SchoolDocs to create a website for our policies and procedures. We are excited to announce that the site is now live and available to our school community.

The school works on a subscription basis with SchoolDocs to maintain, update and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies, which have been well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our charter, and procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents etc.

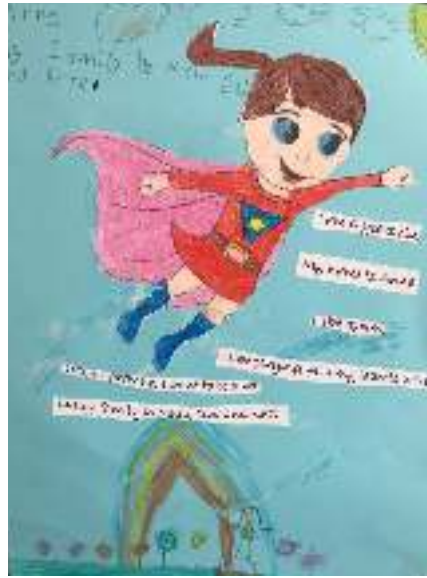
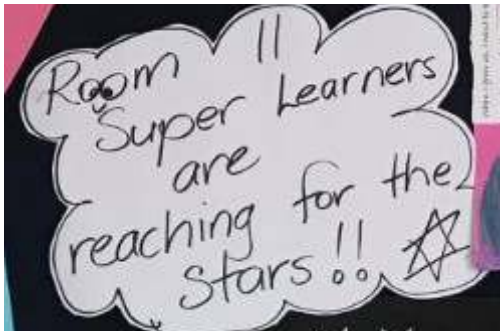
SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. Our Board of Trustees has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented. We will advise you when policies are up for review and how you can take part in the review.

We invite you to visit the site at <http://drury.schooldocs.co.nz> (note that there's no "www"). Our username is "drury" and the password is "acorns"

This term we are reviewing the policy 'Recognition of Cultural Diversity'. To view this policy and provide feedback to our Board, please follow the instructions below:

1. Visit <https://drury.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (drury) and password (acorns)
3. Follow the link to the above policy
4. Read the policy
5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent"
7. Enter your name (optional)
8. Submit your ratings and comments
9. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with a printed copy of the policy and a review form

CLASS SNIPPETS from Room 11:



**MUFTI DAY
This Friday**

ENVIRO SEAWEEK - MUFTI DAY THIS FRIDAY
In exchange for a gold coin donation, students will be asked to dress in 'sea' colours e.g. blue or green, or as a sea creature.

There will be spot prizes for the best dressed. The gold coin donations will go towards the purchase of a rainwater tank for the school.

Community Notices

DRURY RUGBY - JUNIOR REGISTRATION: Muster is Sunday 22nd March from 1-3pm. Register online at www.sporty.co.nz/druryrugby/junior-Rugby or phone Craig 027 258 5246 or email craig.bethell@hynds.co.nz

CHILL OUT HOLIDAY PROGRAMME: 14 - 24 April. To find out more www.chilloutkids.co.nz or phone 298 6852.

DRURY SCOUT GROUP: Spaces for Cubs (Tuesday nights) and Scouts (Wednesday nights), girls and boys. Contact Rebecca Brown 021 029 30109 or email drury@group.scouts.nz

Stars of the Day

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| Toby C.....Rm 7 | Catherine X.....Rm 4 |
| Duncan H.....Rm 17 | Kaya H-R.....Rm 14 |
| Juniper L.....Rm 2 | |

CAMP 2020!

On Monday 24 February our forty Year 8 students headed off to camp at Aongatete Lodge. The camp programme was flexible and adapted to our needs. A big shout out to Karen and the instructors at Aongatete.

The students loved all the activities, with some taken out of their comfort zone and challenged. Camp activities included wall climbing, river crossing, archery and cooking hamburgers on a 'hobo' stove (an upside down tin can). The food was amazing (so much!).

For the teachers it was lovely to see the students in a different light. They were super co-operative, dug deep to achieve and were extra kind and caring.

A huge thank you to the parents who came with us on camp: Claire Johnston, Cushla Ross, Brendan Waters, Anne Hamilton, Damian Hooper, Monte Pahulu, Ryan Turner and Julie Court. You were a great group of happy, helpful and supportive people.

What an awesome experience!





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