

NEWSLETTER

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Term 4, Week 1

Thursday 17th October 2019



Principal's Note

Kia ora Whānau

This week we would like to welcome Alice, Rupert, Gracen, Scout and Jack to Sawyers Bay School. We are so pleased to have you all with us.

The big event that we are all looking forward at the start of the term is the West Harbour Sports Day. We will be travelling to the Caledonian Grounds on Tuesday to participate in a range of athletic and fun physical activities with our other West Harbour Schools. Please do keep the permission slips coming in. If any parents would like to help on the day with either a station or with groups, we would love to hear from you. The weather looks like it will be okay but please do have warm clothes as well as clothes that are suitable for athletics. All children will have a SBS Sports top to wear on the day. If you do not already have one for Term 4 sports, or your own shirt, one will be sent home on Monday.

Another reminder for the start of the term, during Term 4 and Term 1 all children are expected to wear their SBS sunhats (or equivalent that covers the ears and neck). If you cannot locate your hat from Term 1, we do still have a supply at the PTA subsidised price of \$6. Please see the office.

Yesterday we also started a fortnightly Touch rugby session with Ravensbourne School and St. Leonards School. All Year 3 to 6 children are welcome to come down to the bottom field and participate in social touch rugby. Thank you to Ryan Olsen for coming along and helping with coaching and referring this week.

You should have received a slip home this week with your photo order code on it. All school photos that your child is in should be able to be viewed online using this code and all orders go through their website. If you are having trouble viewing these, please bring your code in to the office and we can have a look together.

Ngā Mihi,

Gareth Swete
Principal

SBS Starters Dates:

Please feel very welcome to share the dates of our pre-schoolers Friday programmes with friends and families as they may not have access to the newsletter. We run a programme for four year olds on a Friday afternoon between 1.15pm and 2.15pm. All four-year-old children are very welcome. The dates from Term 4 are:

Friday 18th October Friday 1st November
Friday 15th November Friday 29th November

Person of the Week



Congratulations to Max, Anja, Lena, Charlie B, Liam H and Quinn who were nominated for Person of the Week. The trophy for Week 10 went home with Anja and Lena.

Important Dates

22nd October – West Harbour Sports Day (24th Postponement date)
28th October – Labour Day
4,6,8,11,13,15th November – School Swimming
19th December – Last day of Term 4, 1pm finish time

Classroom Notes

Papatūānuku

Welcome back to Term 4! This week in Papatūānuku we welcome Gracen!

It's been a fun week this week, as we also welcomed a new class character called Jack. He has a problem though. He's stuck up at the top of the Beanstalk, in a castle on a cloud, and can't get back down, whilst holding a harp and a hen. So we have had to use our blue thinking hats, and think of a new way he could get down. Mrs Campbell is very impressed with the creativity in Papatūānuku!! We have planned, designed, created, tested and improved our creations to get Jack down the beanstalk. Come along to assembly on Friday and we'll share some more about our process!

Report by Mrs Campbell

Hine-Rau-Whārangi

Welcome back to another exciting term! Rupert started in our class on Monday and it's fabulous to get to know him and his family. We are learning about the engineering process in STEAM through fairy tales. The children are amazed (and a little confused!) at the different versions of Little Red Riding Hood.

We've decided retelling the fairy tales is a little bit about playing Telephone Whispers. We're really looking forward to the West Harbour Sports Day next week too!

Report by Mrs Barr

Tāwhirimātea

Welcome back! It sounds like everyone had a great holiday despite the cold wet weather. We are really enjoying having a few nicer days. Yesterday we even managed to get outside for the afternoon for athletics. We practised long jump and hurdles. We have started a new STEAM topic this week looking at the well known story - The Three Little Pigs. We are going to design and make a house for the wolf that has to be waterproof and can't be blown over. Today we begin to look at probability for maths. Over the next couple of weeks, we will be using our new knowledge to test games to find out if they are fair or not.

Report by Miss O'Malley

Ranginui

We have three new faces in Ranginui this term, welcome to Alice, Scout and Jack C who have joined our team. We have been writing 'Who am I?' texts during Writing this week, focusing on using lively words and similes, and starting our sentences in different ways. Listen out for them at Assembly tomorrow. The students are looking forward to our Sports Day on Tuesday, hopefully the weather is going to improve for us!

Report by Mrs Eathorne

Hinemoana

Welcome back to Term 4! Hinemoana has had a positive start to the new term and is getting stuck into their learning. We are exploring further into STEAM with a focus around structures. During Mathematics we are working hard on being great convincers when working with fractions, justifying our thinking clearly so the sceptics believe us! Our learning about structures and fractions has also been a great time to practice our school values of Thinking, Communicating and Collaborating. Well done on a great start to Term 4 Hinemoana!

Report by Hinemoana

Tāne Mahuta

Term 4 has arrived very quickly, with a wet and cold start to the week, we have really enjoyed our STEAM Lego challenges. Our first challenge was to create a deserted island where half way, an extra challenge arrived and we had to manage our situation on our island, redesigning them to suit the purpose. We have also started creating Air powered Cars using Lego. We have many more challenges to share this term.

Report by Mrs Marshall

School and Community News

PTA Glow Disco

The PTA will once again be holding a safe and fun alternative to Halloween at the Harbour Rugby Clubrooms on Friday 1st November. All SBS children and younger siblings with accompanying adult will be welcome. There will be food and drinks available for purchase, lots of fun and music.

MAGAZINES

Kia Ora, this term our school Kapa Haka group is exploring other areas of performance and Maori, one of these being rakau

(sticks). We are after any old magazines you no longer want to up-cycle into some more rakau. Magazines can be dropped to the school office or Hinemoana.

Thank-you in advance for your help!

Koputai Kids After School and Holiday Programme

We offer afterschool care daily with our free pick up service in our 10-seater van. At Koputai Kids we offer inside and outside creative activities for children 5 to 13 years of age based on current themes and interests of the children. Our facility is set up specifically for children of all ages, full of resources which are easily accessible. We have two new young staff members whom are training in education and the rest of us are highly experienced with children.

We have access to four different playgrounds, a sandpit as well as a well as a large concrete area for wheels' days. In near future we are developing our own playground adjoining our building which will include some very exciting new activities for kids. This term we are also offering swimming on Monday and Friday afternoons at Port Chalmers Pool.

In the holidays we have a theme and offer mystery trips, a trip to the movies, walks, excursions, wheels days, art and craft, baking, games, gardening, ICT, music, shows and competitions.

Fundraising – we are currently selling bamboo toothbrushes for \$4.00 each. We are also offering families and their pets a 15 minutes Xmas studio session with a photographer on our premises on the Saturday the 26th October for \$20.00. Families will receive a free photo and have opportunities to order some beautiful photos for Xmas gifts. These are going fast so please contact us if are interested.

We are open during the term from 3pm to 6pm and in the holidays 7.30 am to 6.00 pm to support working parents. If you would be interested in coming to have a look, we are currently running free introductory sessions for families to view our facility and to see what we have to offer. If you would like to come and visit us or have any questions, please contact Wendy Russell on 0274727744 or 472 7777 or check out our Facebook page for upcoming events.

School Life

Sports Results

Team	Vs.	Score	PoD
Y3/4 Touch	Playing today		
Y5/6 Touch	Playing today		
Futsal			
Fireflies	Fairfield	2-1 W	Freddie Dick
Rockets	St. Brigids	8-0 W	Liam Roberts
Sharks	Broad Bay	3-0 W	Olivia Dick
Ligers	St. Marys	10-0 W	Max Morris
Pink Ladies	St. Clair	1-2 L	Leah Olsen
United	Carisbrook	0-8 L	Harry Wood

