



"Raising the Bar"

Hello Tena koutou Talofa lava Fakaalofa atu Talofa ni
Malo e lelei Kia organza Ni sa bula vinaka Malo ni

Somerset Crescent School

On Track Team News U ROCK DAY

Last Thursday Somerset Crescent School had an amazing U Rock day at the hockey turf and the Esplanade.

They all enjoyed it and hope to do it again.

Some of the highlights were -

Playing with each other
Sharing with each other and
Having fun

Naomi, Ataahua & 'Alani

Sapphire Award Winner

Sela - Room 10

Playground Vouchers Awarded

to:

Nuku R1
Kayleigh, Lily & Tahi R 2
Miya & Shardae R4
Jack R5
Alize R8
Toiahi R9
Katie R11

U-ROCK Voucher winners:

Kowhai: Faith R4 & Wiremu R3
Rata: Southern R10 & Pita R11
Kahikatea: Paanepasa & Fauvea R 8

Community Voucher:

Well done to Britny R2 - she received a voucher from a member of the community for showing URock values outside of school.

Special Lunch with Mrs Johnson:

Lui & Nuku R1

Staff Star Award:



Mrs Johnson received the Staff Star Award for making an excellent start to the beginning of the year at Somerset Crescent School.

Kia Ora,

What an AMAZING day we had last Thursday at the Hockey Turf & Esplanade for our first UROCK day. It was great to have the support from our community, and such a treat to have our staff and whanau playing hockey alongside our tamariki. Thank you for taking the time during your day to come and play and hang out with us. We are very grateful.

Well done families for booking in a time to come along and celebrate your child/ren's learning journey so far this year at our Term 1 'Student Led Conferences'.

These take place on Tuesday 4th April from 1:00 – 7:30pm and Wednesday 5th April from 3:30 – 5:30pm.

On Tuesday 4th April, school will finish at 12:30. Please come and pick up your children at 12:30.

Included in the newsletter today is your 'blue' **Student Led Conferences Booking Sheet** with confirmation of your child/ren's Student Led Conference. Throughout next week, staff will be making contact with our families who have not yet made a booking to make sure you have a time booked in. On Monday 3rd April, your child will bring home a 'white slip' reminding you of the confirmed conference day and time. We will be selling BBQ sausages on both days, so when you come in - either before or after your conference/s you can buy a sausage. The funds raised from this will help support our Senior Students attend their Forest Lakes Camp in Term 3.

Our 2017 Charter was submitted to the Ministry of Education on the due date of the 1st March. This outlines our 'Strategic Goals for Raising Schoolwide Student Achievement'. The details in our Charter support us in achieving and measuring our goals. We are proud of our document and invite you to look through this. There is a copy in our administration area for you to view.

Also, we need to keep our contact details for your child/ren up to date, their well-being and safety is of utmost importance to us, so if you have changed address or phone number lately and it is possible we don't have the correct contact details for your child/ren please let the office know.

Ka kite ano

Teena Johnson

Principal/Tumuaki

Kowhai Reading Programme

Kowhai Team are having a whanau hui next Wednesday the 29th of March at 3.00pm to talk about our reading programmes. There will be great ideas and games for parents to take home to help their children with reading and also some very yummy food. Come along and join us in the hall next Wednesday at 3.00pm to pick up a resource pack for your child.

Scholastic Lucky book club orders - Issue 2 2017.

If you are ordering through the school can you please have your orders and correct money to the office by the 31st of March - this gives us time to process your order. Did you know you can go online and order the books yourself - go to www.mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz and follow the directions or to get more information.

29th March

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31st March

4th April

5th April

5th April

13th April

1st May

Board of Trustees meeting at 5.30pm

All welcome

Kowhai Team whanau hui - Reading programme at 3pm

Last day for Scholastic Lucky book club orders - please bring to the office.

Student Lead Conferences - **School finishes at 12.30**

Student Lead Conferences - normal finish time.

Assembly at 2.15pm. All Welcome

LAST DAY of Term 1

FIRST DAY of Term 2

Assembly

We would like to welcome Katelyn, Karlee, Jodeci, Hamiora, Puawai and their families to the Somerset Crescent School community.

On Wednesday Room 7 presented assembly. Room 7 & 8 showed us their 'Say Yes' dance. They were fabulous. Lots of U ROCK awards were given out too.

Amazing presenting Room 7, you did a great job!

Top Cat Class went to Room 9

U ROCK Room 9!

The next assembly is on **Wednesday the 5th of April**. Room 10 will be presenting. See you there!

Kahikatea Camp – Term 3

This year is a camp year for our Kahikatea Team and we will be going to Forest Lakes, near Otaki for 3 days. We will be attending camp from **Wednesday 27th of September to Friday the 29th of September** so save these dates please.

We are in the process of sorting the finer details and will get back to you with these soon. In the meantime, if you would like to start paying the cost of the camp off through an automatic payment system, please see our fantastic Office Managers, Julie & Lisa who will be able to support you with setting this up.

We will be doing some fundraising towards camp which will help lower the costs - watch this space!



Coming Events

Sports News

Touch:

Players of the Day: Tyreese R7 & Crusade R2

Rugby League:

Players of the Day:

Manaia & Jahziah R7 & Paora and Teri R5

Reminder - Sports fees are due by the 4th of April



U ROCK Day! Fun at the Hockey turf and the Esplanade



Public Health Nurse Visits

The Public Health Nurse visits our school on Mondays at 12pm. Ring to book an appointment if you would like to see her. If she is not available and you are concerned about your child's health please let the office know and we can refer your child to Public Health anytime.

Dental Treatment

If parents or students have any inquiries or wish to contact the Dental team, please contact 0800 825 583 and you will be directed to the nearest dental clinic. Dental checks are free until children turn 18.

School Facebook pages

Do have a look at our Kowhai, Rata and Kahikatea teams facebook pages. Each team has their own page and regularly put photos and exciting news of what is happening in their teams and around the school. Search for them:
Somerset Kowhai Team
Somerset Rata Team
Somerset Kahikatea Team

Thursday Lunch Orders

Remember to order your lunches via lunchonline. Pita Pit provide the lunches and you place an order on lunchonline every Thursday - be sure to put your order in online before 9am. Further options may be available in the online system in the future. To register online go to www.lunchonline.co.nz or ring 0800LOLLOL for more information. Pick up the notice about ordering from the office.

Spare Clothes

If you have any items of girls/boys shorts, underwear or tee shirts in smaller sizes (5-8 years) that you have no use for anymore we are always in need of spare items at school. They are good to have handy in case of 'accidents' or spillages etc. Please bring to the office.

A tip from the Public Health Nurse for dealing with HEADLICE

Wet Combing:

Wet combing on its own can be effective for removing headlice and their eggs. Eggs are cemented strongly to the hair shaft and simple washing does not remove that. Metal combs are much more effective than plastic combs. Using a 'nit' comb is easiest when the hair is wet. Combing may be easier if a conditioner is applied first. It is best done after treating with medication. You need to have good light.

If you are using conditioner wet the hair with water and then massage the conditioner through the hair to make combing easier.

Work through the hair in sections and comb down the hair shaft towards the scalp to try to remove the stubborn eggs. It may be easier if this is done while the child is kept occupied (for example watching television).

Wet comb the hair for at least 30 minutes. This needs to be done every 3 or 4 days, for at least two weeks, but don't stop combing every 3 or 4 days until there have been no live lice on 3 consecutive sessions.

In summary: wet comb for 30 minutes – 3-4 day intervals – at least 2 weeks – until no lice on 3 consecutive sessions (3 combing sessions in a row).



**10am Tuesdays @ St Oswald's Church
Cnr Featherston and Kingswood Streets**

Welcome all parents and pre-schoolers - join us for a session of music and dancing followed by morning tea ... with locally roasted fairtrade espresso coffee!

\$4 p/family—first session is FREE

We would love to see you there!

Contact: Margaret Barsanti | 027 406 6315 | vmbarsanti@xtra.co.nz or Tim Duxfield | 021 205 2328 | tim@allsaintsnz.com

PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for any reason.

Contact us on 3543274 or 0800 45 44 44 or text on 02108324514.

If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as truant.

If you have a change of address or your phone number changes, please let the office know.

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RECIPE MAKEOVERS

Imagination and experimentation are all part of the fun when it comes to recipe makeovers.

Here are some tips to help you put a healthy spin on your favourite recipes.



- Add more vegetables.
- Swap refined bread, rice, pasta and noodles for whole grain or wholemeal varieties.
- Use lean meat or poultry, or remove the visible fat or skin.
- Add legumes like beans, chickpeas or lentils to bulk out meals.
- Swap full-fat milk products with low or reduced-fat options.
- Use herbs and spices instead of salt to add flavour.
- Choose salt-reduced sauces and stocks.
- Use plant-based, unsaturated fats for cooking, like olive oil.
- Boil, steam, stir-fry and bake food rather than frying or deep-frying.

For healthy recipes, visit www.fuelled4life.org.nz



**10am Wednesdays @ St Oswald's Church
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Mainly play is an open play group for all parents and pre-schoolers. Together we play, do crafts, chat and have morning tea ... with locally roasted Fair Trade espresso coffee!

Gold coin donation per family

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