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Area School

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Principal's Comment

Kia Ora

Welcome back to school and the start of Term 3. The dates for this term are 1 August - 7 October.

I would like to welcome Chad Maisey, Callum Cadigan & Maria Young and their families into our school and also welcome to Mrs Kathy Boswell who has started teaching in the Science/Maths area.

This term's theme is on Communication and our focus is on Celebration. To start this off I would like to congratulate William Schmetz, Sonja de Koster, Chadd Martin and Reece Puklowski for their efforts at the National Area Schools' Tournament in Taupo. All four were selected for South Island Tournament teams in their respective sport codes. Also Sonja (Futsal) and Reece (Volleyball) were selected to be part of the National Area Schools' Team. This is a huge achievement with all four being among the best out of all Area School students in the South Island. Thank you to Ms Burton who gave up a week of her holidays to accompany them on the trip north. She said the four students were a wonderful group to take away. Thank you also to the Lions Club for their very kind donation towards travel/accommodation costs.

We also had the netball girls (Katie Brennan, Olivia Gibb and Teana Philps) in Brisbane (along with Westland High School) playing in a tournament over there. They had a great experience too.

On 15 and 29 August we have Paul Maunder here to run an extension writers' workshop for some Yr 7-10 students. Paul is an experienced writer, teacher and cinematographer.

In the past week, 12 cases of measles have been reported in the Waikato region, mainly around Te Awamutu. Measles is a highly infectious disease and is more serious than many people realise. Symptoms include *fever, cough, red eyes and a runny nose, and then a rash* which develops after about three days. Complications can include middle ear infections, pneumonia, and, more rarely, encephalitis or brain inflammation. About one in ten people infected need to be hospitalised. Please have your child checked if you are worried they may have measles and follow your health providers instructions.

Angela Sloane
Principal



LIBRARY NEWS

150 new reads are on the shelves to date for 2011 (many have been generously donated).

The Westland District Library shelf has had 3 loan collection exchanges this school year. The next change over date is the 18th August.

All residents of the area are welcome to join the Community Library. Ask at the school office to find out more.

WANTED

Old hunting magazines - we have some keen young hunters (any reading is good reading).

Jenny Derks



JUNIOR SCHOOL JOTTINGS TERM 3 Yr 0-8

It is great to see all the happy faces back again for another term and we welcome Ms Karyn MacRae to the Junior Syndicate.

This term will be all go with the Arts Festival at Franz Josef coming up on September 15. The theme will be 'Music through the Ages' and SWAS will be joining with the other schools further south to perform a bracket of songs. Our era is 1960 so we have chosen 'Do Wah Diddy' by Herman's Hermits and 'With a Little Help from My Friends' by the Beatles (a couple of us already know the lyrics!!). There will be a notice coming home nearer the time and children will be going on the bus, but parents are most welcome to attend. Last year it was held at the THC Hotel which was an excellent warm venue. It is well worth the trip.

Harold the Hefty Giraffe (Life Education) will be returning to school in his caravan 19-21 September. This is a free service.

With the holiday adjustment times for the World Cup, it means that Pet Day will be held straight after the next school holidays on Thursday 27 October. Monday 24 is Labour Day and this means only a few days to get organized. Pet Project Books should be in by the end of this term. The date is no later than last year so hopefully pets will not be too enormous by then.

Room 2 might be able to fit in an overnight stay down at the Saltwater in the new hut. This will be later in the term and depend on the weather and the availability of offers to help. More about this at a later date.

Please feel free to contact your class teacher if you have any issues. We are caring group and want the absolute best in education for your children.

Mrs Muir, Ms Levett, Mrs Wylie, Mrs Lawn & Mrs MacRae

Coming Events:

- 19 Aug - Yr 7/8 Ski Day
- 28 Aug - 1 Sept - Senior Ski Trip 
- 15 Sept - Arts Festival
- 19-21 Sept - Life Education Visit 
- 21 Sept - NCEA L1 Algebra exam 
- 27 Oct - Pet Day

Remember to scroll down to look at our current calendar on our web page:

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SOUTH WESTLAND LIONS CLUB RACE NIGHT

Hari Hari Motor Inn 7 pm
Saturday 13 August

All proceeds will be going towards our Hari Hari Scouts group. There will also be a Cake Auction (any donations welcomed). Come along for an evening of fun. Hope to see you there!

Linda Brake



HARI HARI SCOUTS GROUP

Will be held on Tuesday 16 August in the Community Hall from 7.30 - 9pm for Years 7/8 All welcome on the night.

C.W.I. DAFFIDOL DAY CAKE STALL

Friday 26 August starting at 9am. There will be a selection of cakes, pickles, jams etc. Pre-orders welcomed, please contact Brenda Twidle 753 3149, Maree Cunniffe 753 3078 or Anne Simpson 753 3151. Instant raffle - drawn on the day provided by the Hokitika Cancer Society.

Daffodils will be \$5 per bunch and need to be pre-ordered asap via Anne Simpson as they will be sent over from Christchurch.

Come along and support Daffodil Day.

Anne Simpson - CWI President



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