

**Notes from Mr Sands:**

Kiaora rā ki te whānau o te Kura o Midhirst. Greetings to the wider community of Midhirst School.

This weekend we have the Midhirst School Fundraising Committee Quiz Night. The team led by Sonia Fale has put in a lot of hard work and it is looking like one heck of a night. Those who have tickets, I know you will enjoy the evening.

It is time to start looking towards Pet Day. We are having a meeting next week, Wednesday 30th May, 1.00p.m. in the library. If you are interested in helping with the organisation please come along. If you are unable to attend but would like to be part of the team can you please put in your apologies (ring the school office). Last year we had a fantastic turn out and loads of fun. This year's Pet Day is set for Saturday 28th October.

On Friday 1st June we are looking at having a Breast Cancer Awareness Day. We will be holding a Mufti Day (gold coin + donation), a sausage sizzle (\$2), and a cupcake stall (\$1). The stall will run from 1.00p.m. to 1.40p.m. All money raised will go to the foundation. Thank you to Alley Mills for the organisation.

Basketball grading is well underway. Thank you to Adrian for running the team each Friday night. The children are training extremely hard and have a wonderful attitude. Ka mau te wehe, fantastic.

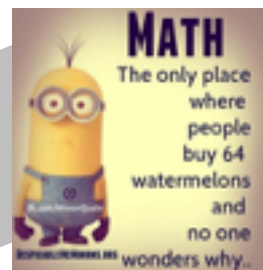
On Tuesday 26th June teachers have a paid union meeting at Eltham. This is to discuss the negotiations between the union and the Ministry. They will need to leave school at 1.00p.m. We are asking parents to pick their children up at 12.55p.m.

Rippa Rugby is set for Friday 1st June. This will be at Stratford Primary School and should be finished by 12.45p.m. We need to be back at school by 1.00p.m. for the sausage sizzle and cupcake sale.

Jones cup is fast approaching - Monday 25th June. It is our intentions to get all year 5 - 8 children in a team. We need to be at Toko at 9.30a.m. We will be playing netball and rugby. We hope to have a year 5 / 6 team and a year 7 / 8 team. We need coaches to begin training. If you are available for coaching netball contact Miss Tett and rugby contact Mr Sands. The Jones Cup is about participation so teams will be selected fairly.

We have recently advertised a parent elected position on the Board of Trustees. We intend to fill this by selection. If you are interested in being on the BoT please let your intention be known to Adrian Drummond BoT Chairperson. Being on the BoT is very rewarding as you help set the direction for the school. Please do think about being part of this team it is a great team who work well together.

Thank you
Aku mihi rā ...
Nā Mr Sands

**WHAT'S ON**

Tuesday 22nd May	BOT Community Meeting
Saturday 26th May	Midhirst Quiz Night
Tuesday 29th May	Fish N Chips Rippa Rugby Training
Friday 1st June	Rippa Rugby Tournament Paritutu Trip Paritutu Assembly
Monday 4th June	Queens Birthday
Tuesday 5th June	Rippa Rugby Tournament (p.p date)
Friday 8th June	Kaitake Assembly
Tuesday 12th June	Fish N Chips
Wednesday 13th June	Emerging Leaders
Friday 15th June	School Disco
Friday 22nd June	Panitahi Assembly
Tuesday 26th June	Fish N Chips Jones Cup Day
Wednesday 27th June	Rippa Rugby Training
Thursday 28th June	Jones Cup Day (p.p date)
Friday 29th June	Jones Cup Day (p.p date) Kāhui Assembly
Monday 2 July	Jones Cup Day (p.p date) Life Ed
Thursday 5th July	Debating
Friday 6th July	End of Term 2

Netball - please check Netball Taranaki for any changes -

www.netballtaranaki.org.nz

STR Mother Earth futureFERNs (Years 1-2) Kristen Smith
24/05/2018 Stratford Primary: SPS Lions V Midhirst School: Midhirst Y1-2
15:45 TET: 1a
31/05/2018 St Joseph's STR: St Joes Sparkles V Midhirst School: Midhirst
Y1-2 16:15 TET: 1a
07/06/2018 Midhirst School: Midhirst Y1-2 V Eastern Districts: ED Tigers
16:15 TET: 1b

STR Mother Earth futureFERNs (Years 3-4) Adele Wellington
24/05/2018 St Joseph's STR: St Joes Stars V Midhirst School: Midhirst
Y3-4 16:30 STR: 4
31/05/2018 Midhirst School: Midhirst Y3-4 V Eltham Primary: Eltham
McDonald Stars 15:45 STR: 2
07/06/2018 Midhirst School: Midhirst Y3-4 V St Joseph's STR: Unicorns
16:30 STR: 2

STR Mother Earth futureFERNs (Years 5-6) Sonia Fale
26/05/2018 Midhirst School: Midhirst Y5-6 V Kaponga: Kaponga 10:00 STR: 5
09/06/2018 Midhirst School: Midhirst Y5-6 V Stratford Primary: SPS
Wolverines 11:00 STR: 5

MIDHIRST FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**A.G.M.**

Midhirst School Friday 1st June 2018
at 1.30pm.
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PET DAY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday
30th May 2018
1pm in the
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Charlotte Frazier
Victoria - Paritutu Class
Maleki Toma

News from the Classrooms

Kāhui:

Kāhui has had a very busy 13 weeks of the year as we have welcomed 22 new children into our learning environment with another 5 more to come this term. We are so excited to have you all with us and look forward to our year together. While this brings our present overall number to 40, we have decided to cater for our learners by having an early literacy group working with Mrs Anderson during the morning. During this time we work on letters and sounds and book language. We sing, we move and we write and read stories, we learn all about what school life is about. When we aren't in our teaching group with Mrs Anderson, we are busy problem solvers, learning about how to be friends through Play Based learning. We love dramatic play, mixing and sorting and the current urges are cafe's and shops. Through this, we are learning to count money and recognise coins. We are also learning how to sort out all the mixing we do through our play. Miss Moratti's group starts the morning with handwriting, followed by writing where we are exploring descriptive writing through "Where the Wild Things are." After that we start our reading club where if students are not reading with Miss Moratti they are learning to be self-directed learners by practising their learning goals through their play and their projects. Then we come together for Inquiry Learning, Phonics and our Maths Club! We can't wait for our trip on Tuesday!

Julie Anderson and Caitlyn Moratti

Panitahi:

Kia ora everyone,

We have one more week before our class trip and at this point we need some more parent help to be able to go. Please consider whether you can come and help out and let us know as soon as possible. In class our maths focus is multiplication and division and we are enjoying learning new strategies for solving maths problems. It would be great if you could encourage your children to memorise their times tables over the next few weeks to support their learning in class. Monday we had our safe friends luncheon with Safe Taranaki Community Trust, we all felt really lucky to have a yummy Subway lunch with Senior Constable (School Community Officer) Jono Erwood. We learned all about keeping safe online and the impact of cyber bullying for our school and community. Thanks very much and have a great week, **Wendy McKenna**

Kaitake:

Kia ora

It was really great to be able to go to the hall last Friday for our second badminton lesson which the children really enjoyed. We had a number of players who picked it up very quickly and were able to play some great shots - promising players of the future. On Monday afternoon we had Senior Sergeant Jono Erwood the Stratford Schools Community Police Officer together with Central Taranaki Safe Community Trust came to our school and discussed with our students Cyber Bullying - what it means and what it looks like. It later generated a lively discussion in our classroom about cyber bullying as well as the game Roblox which many of the students in Kaitake are currently enjoying. All students have quickly picked up and understood decimal numbers achieving very good results in their mastery test which is very pleasing. We have finished developing our Success Criteria for Recount Writing, we have studied a number of recount writing exemplars discussing what it is that makes them successful and now the students are ready to begin their own recount. I'm looking forward to reading them. We hope you all have a great week. **Wendy McGregor**

Paritutu:

Congratulations seniors, Week 3 was fantastic! Our second Badminton lesson was a lot of fun, we can't wait for our third lesson this Friday. Congratulations to Victoria and Hayden for both scoring 100% in the Spelling Bee competition, fantastic results after a lot of studying well done both of you. Parents please support your child, they need to complete their Home Learning every night Monday to Thursday to avoid falling too far behind in their learning. All tasks are started in class and students know how to complete them, many Year 7's are not achieving as they could and sadly have to make up the work in their lunchtimes. Your support and assistance would be greatly appreciated. Have a fantastic week. **Colleen Tett**

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Winner
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23 May -Ticket
No. 29

Andrew Barlow



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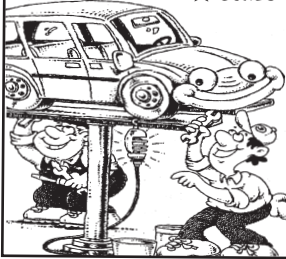
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