



**Notes from Mr Sands:**

Ngā Mihi Mahana ki te whānau o Midhirst, warm greetings to the families of Midhirst.

With only a few days left of Term 2, it is great to see the sun shining.

Please do take care on the roads as we are hearing there is black ice on the roads.

Please remember Term 3 begins on Monday 23rd July.

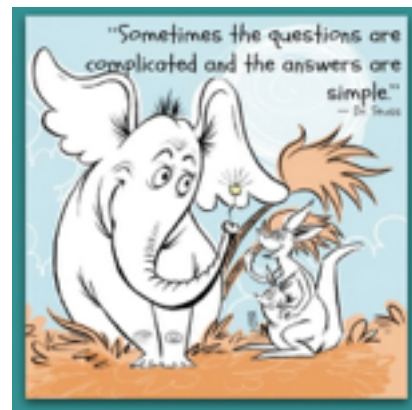
During the first week of the holidays the teachers will be attending a Bek Galloway Training day on Learner Agency. Learner Agency is where the students are given the resources and strategies to drive their learning. Students are empowered to take ownership of their own learning with teachers being the coach. This is an area identified in the School's Annual Goals for development. We will have follow up sessions with Bek later in Term 3.

We had David Kinane (who is supporting Midhirst School with digital technologies) work with the staff and children to use digital technologies to improve achievement in writing. David spent two days observing and modelling to children ways of using computers in writing. The seniors will be designing games for Kāhui class to support their learning in spelling early words. This is a big task as we have started designing and coding and during the trials found errors.

This means we need to go back and problem solve until we have it working fully. I must say the students have past me and I am learning from them. You may find the children wanting to work on it at home. This is an internet based programme so please be aware of the internet usage.

The past two and a half days we have had 'Life Education' working in our school. Check out our facebook page. Thank you to Michelle Williams for spending time with our children. We all enjoyed Harold the Giraffe's jokes.

Aku Mihi  
Mr Sands



**WHAT'S ON**

Tuesday 3rd July	Debating
Friday 6th July	Mufti Day End of Term 2
Monday 23rd July	First day Term 3
Tuesday 24th July	Fish & Chips

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**MIDHIRST PUBLIC HALL**

The Midhirst Public Hall Committee AGM Meeting to be held at the Midhirst Hall on Sunday 15th July at 7.00pm.

Regards  
Bernie Gibbons (Secretary/Treasurer)

**LOST**

**Red Bands Size 5**

**Named with Lincoln Perry**

**Please can you check school bags and at home and return to the School Office**

**Thank you.**

**MIDHIRST FUNDRAISING  
COMMITTEE**

I would like to thank the ladies who helped with supper for the Rugby Club on Saturday night. The supper was a great success and we raised \$3,000.00.

Thank you to the families who provided sweets this was a great help.

We would love to see more people volunteer to help at these fundraising events as this benefits the whole school.

Please contact the office if you would like further information about joining the Midhirst School Fundraising Committee.

# News from the Classrooms

## **Kāhui:**

Kia Ora everyone! We can't believe its the end of the Term! This term has just flown by but we have seen some amazing progress and had a lot of fun! A big thank you to the families who came along to our Kāhui assembly on Friday. We loved showing you a little snapshot of our learning in Kāhui Class. To celebrate a wonderful term, we are going to have a movie pj party tomorrow (Thursday 5th July). If your child would like to, they are welcome to wear their pjs to school tomorrow or bring them to pop on for the movie. We are hoping to watch the movie Moana. If you have any concerns about your child watching this movie, please let us know. We hope you all have a wonderful holidays and we will see you all next term!

**Julie Anderson and Caitlyn Moratti**

## **Panitahi:**

Kia Ora everyone,

We have come to the end of a great term in Panitahi class. This week we have been lucky enough to have a visit from the Life Education Trust and we have had two great lessons with Michelle and Harold the giraffe where we have been learning about what makes us special and unique and how we can work together as a team, using cooperation and tolerance. We have started looking forward to our topic next term where we will be exploring elements of the physical world such as light and sound, and forces such as gravity and magnetism. We selected this topic after some interesting discussions about thunder and lightning, and also discussions after going to Star Lab where we considered how stars we can see in the sky may no longer really exist! This week we give our best wishes to those members of our class who will be moving up to Kaitake class next term. Ka kite Taytan, Cody, Brianna and Alyssa we will miss you! I hope you all have an awesome holiday with your tamariki and I look forward to seeing you in term 3!

**Wendy McKenna**

## **Kaitake:**

Wow - the end of Term 2 already - the year seems to be racing by. Last Thursday we had David Kinane work with Kaitake Class for over an hour helping with our digital technology programme - it was great and we learned a lot. On Monday and Tuesday we had the Life Education Truck and Harold visit our school which is always an awesome learning experience. This year we added a new component, looking at cyber safety which complimented our digital technology focus very well. Next term we are welcoming four Panitahi students into the Kaitake Nation and we look forward to having them with us.

We are all excited that in couple of days we will be on holiday - let's hope the weather treats us kindly. We hope you all have a great time and Ms McGregor looks forward to seeing everyone back on Monday 23rd July, well rested and ready for a hard working Term 3.

**Students of the week:** Nicole Fale for reflecting on her own learning, identifying areas that she finds difficulty and asking for extra work so that she can improve her understanding of difficult areas.

Corey Kinera who has really stepped up as a Year Six this year. He is very self motivated, keeps all of his work up to date and is working hard to improve the level of his presentation. **Wendy McGregor, Corey and Nicole**

## **Paritutu:**

Week 9 was amazing, thank you Paritutu students! Congratulations Group 1 (Technology) your meal was a huge success! Thank you whānau and friends of the school for supporting this fantastic learning experience. The Judge was impressed with both groups, the final cook off decision will be shared with students later this week. Best of luck to our Debate team competing on Tuesday 3 July at SHS. This Friday we have a Mufti Day (Gold coin donation) for the Sir Peter Blake Red Socks Day. Have a fantastic week, and a safe and happy holidays. **Student of the Week:** Katrina Stead for making great choices. **Colleen Tett**

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Smith

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STR Mother Earth futureFERNs (Years 3-4) Adele  
Wellington

05/07/2018 Ngaere: Red V Midhirst School:  
Midhirst Y3-4 16:30 STR: 3

STR Mother Earth futureFERNs (Years 5-6) Sonia  
Fale

07/07/2018 Midhirst School: Midhirst Y5-6 V  
Kaponga: Kaponga 09:00 STR: 5 - **DEFAULTED**

**PET DAY COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
27 JULY 2018 AT  
11.30AM**



## **PET DAY**

In consultation with MPI,  
Farmers and Rural  
Principals it has been  
decided that at our  
upcoming Pet Day we will  
not have a calf section  
this year.

**31  
JUL**

**Open Evening 2018 | New Plymouth Boys' High School**

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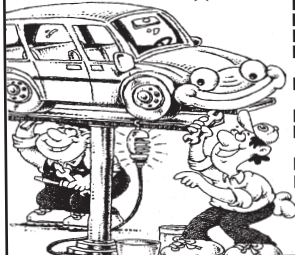
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