

WEEDONS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Te Kura o Karamu

*Kia uru kahikatea te tū
Let us stand like a grove of kahikatea*

15 September 2021 – Term 3– Week 8

www.weedons.school.nz

150 YEARS

Diary 2021

2021

26 Jul – Start of Term 3

20 Sep – Board of Trustees meeting

24 Sep- Colour Fun Run

24 Sep – Mufti Day

01 Oct – End of Term 3

18 Oct – Start of Term 4

18-22 Oct - ICAS

25 Oct – Labour Day

02 Nov – Friends of Weedons Meeting

12 Nov – Show Day

15 Dec - Final Assembly

16 Dec – Last Day of Term 4

2022

02 Feb – Start of Year

14 Apr – End of Term 1

15 Apr – Good Friday

02 May – Start of Term 2

08 Jul – End of Term 2

25 Jul – Start of Term 3

30 Sep – End of Term 3

Tena Koutou Katoa

It is great to be back to routines this week. We are delighted with how well our children have settled back into school life and accepted the restrictions we all have to work under. Fingers crossed for level 1 sometime soon but only if we can continue to be safe.

During the latter part of level 3, we were fortunate to have Mclenaghan Contracting begin to build our long anticipated scooter park. It is going to be amazing and we look forward to being able to open it in the near future.



At the moment the FOW's are still raising the funds to finish the park. We are not quite there yet! There is still time to enter on-line for their colour fun run, their big fund-raiser for this great asset to our school (**closes on Thursday 23rd September** - next Thursday).

However, if you prefer, you could just make a donation to FOW's towards the park by depositing into their account or the school account.

Another way to support, is to become a sponsor for the park. By paying \$100.00 you can advertise your business through our newsletter and facebook page and at the event in one of the stations if you wish. A sign will also be erected at the park with the sponsor names.

A huge thank you to Phil and Tessa Baikie who gave up their Saturday to trim the trees behind the scooter park at short notice and to the Wild family for

disposing of the branches.

To avoid yet another postponement, the **colour run will go ahead next Friday, 24th September**, as planned, but will be held during the school day. If we are still in level 2, it will be held as 2 separate events, a junior event and a senior event, without spectators, due to number restrictions.

The run is a fun event - students will run around the back field through several obstacles e.g. jump over hay bales, through hula hoops to complete their challenge and achieve the funds pledged by signing up. Washable paint will be sprayed at several stations along the run, hence the "colour" aspect. The colours show up better on light coloured tops.

This will be a **mufti-day, gold coin donation**. Students to wear mufti (clothes they don't mind getting paint and water on). Bring a change of clothes and an old towel as water will also be involved (weather permitting). There will be plenty of staff and FOW's helpers (keeping the numbers under 100) to support and help the students during the event.

Of course, if we are in level 1, you are all welcome to come and cheer the children on (or if you are really brave, join in the fun) More information on times next week.

This event will be held in school time at either level 1 or 2, not after school as originally planned.

Jubilee

After much discussion, the jubilee will now be held 8th/9th April 2022.

Reminders: -

School Photo Orders – these are due back by Friday 17 September.

School Sports Uniforms – please return these to the office by Friday 17 September

School Lunches – There are NO Monday or Friday lunches until term 4

Top Performer Room 3

Our Kowhai Top Performer for Term 3 goes to a very deserving young lady - Leah K. The work ethic she has displayed throughout this term has been fantastic; she is always going the extra mile, making sure she is 100% happy with her work, and displays a growth mind set in all that she does.

Leah is always ready and willing to contribute during classroom discussions, showing her understanding and perspective on the topics we are covering. Leah is a confident speaker and presenter, either in person or over one of our many Google Meet sessions during the lockdown.

Leah has impressed many with the amazing artworks she has created this year - her eye for detail and colour is fantastic and her works are proudly displayed on the classroom walls, and (most likely) at home!

What a great year you are having, Leah. Keep up the amazing work and positive attitude to your learning; your classmates are following your example. Well done!

Top Performer Room 7

Our Top Performer in Room 7 is Lydia. Lydia has had to overcome difficulties with her learning but she is a determined worker in our class and is making great progress in all areas. Her classmates are often amazed at how neatly she presents her work, and what great sentences she writes each Monday using her spelling words. Lydia is also accurate with her spelling and is learning to master syllables and parts of speech when choosing a spelling activity. Lydia is also really determined to learn her basic facts in maths as she knows how much easier it is to solve a problem if she can recall them quickly. While she was learning from home, Lydia worked hard to complete her Maths Buddy tasks and received some awards for excellent results.

Lydia has improved her writing skills over the year, she is gathering words that interest her and using them in her writing. She has progressed to adding detail to improve her writing, rather than adding quantity. During Lockdown, she wrote about her pet Shadow Claw. She was able to write some of this, from Shadow Claw's perspective. Lydia has been asking lots of really good questions to help her understand how to improve her learning. It's been wonderful to see your progress since the beginning of last year Lydia, you are a STAR!

Friends of Weedons

There is still time to create a fundraising page at
www.schoolfunrun.co.nz

Community Notices



PLAY!
DRAMA WORKSHOPS

School Holiday Programmes!

Holiday sessions for ages 5-16!
In Week 1 and 2 of the October School Holidays
Come along and perform in our Senior Drama week, create characters in our Junior Create sessions, or join our Musical Theatre workshops!

Facebook.com/PlaySelwyn
BOOK NOW at www.playdramaworkshops.com



CLEVER LITTLE BEES

BEEKEEPING HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Ever wanted to learn more about bees? Want the opportunity to see inside a hive? Now's your chance!

Children will participate in arts and crafts activities as well as spending time experiencing practical beekeeping skills in a safe and supportive learning environment (weather dependent).

Venue: Phillipstown Community Hub
Time: 9am - 3pm

This programme is for children aged 7-13 years
Single days - \$60 per child
For the week - \$285 per child

Monday 4 October	Tuesday 5 October	Wednesday 6 October	Thursday 7 October	Friday 8 October
Rock Painting	Baking	Arts and Crafts - Bee Art	Wax Wraps	Seed Bombs
Hive Time	Hive Time	Hive Time	Hive Time	Hive Time

All PPE provided for the hives (except footwear)

For enquiries and bookings, please contact Kathryn on
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www.cleverlittlebees.co.nz

**Friends of Weedons
Meeting**
**When: Tuesday 2nd
November**
Where: Silver Dollar
Time: 7.00pm
All welcome to attend.



**CentreStage
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PRESENTS

LEGALLY BLONDE

The Musical JR

8-10th OCTOBER 2021
Rolleston college

Director: Nickie Hughes
Musical Director: Caclan Thomas
Choreographer: Shannon Nuttall

Selwyn Creative Communities General Admission \$15.00

Buy tickets at www.centrestagerolleston.org.nz

Studio One Performing Arts, your local dance school, is currently giving Ballet, Jazz and Contemporary lessons in your area. The school's director is teacher, choreographer & ex-ballet dancer Patricia Paul A.R.A.D. (London). Ballet lessons from 3 years through to Advanced, and all levels in Jazz and Contemporary starting from age 7. For all enquiries please phone 372-9191 or email info@studioone.co.nz
