



NEWSLETTER - Term 3, Week 4

13 August 2019

Kia Kotahi - Working Together For A Brighter Future

Hello Everyone

Sammy the School Cat

We were all very sad to learn that Sammy, the school cat died during the weekend. Sammy was adopted as a kitten by some of our senior children in 2004 and has been an important member of our school since then. When I was living in the school house Sammy would turn up every morning at 7:30 and escort me over to school, just to make sure that my first task was to feed and give him a pat. He kept the vermin at bay and would hunt all over the district, often bringing rabbits back to eat at the school, much to the children's despair. Even though he has been away from school in "retirement" for a while we will all miss him. Thank you Debbie and Tara for making his last few months comfortable.



The School Bus

Last week we had a visit from Constable Watson, the school community officer to give some training to the Bus Monitors and discuss with the children who travel on the bus safe behaviour. However, it seems that some of our older boys haven't understood what is expected of them, and are not showing much respect towards the Bus monitors, and are making their job difficult and unpleasant.

We expect our children who travel on the bus to sit down, talk quietly and keep their bags out of the centre aisle of the bus. Travelling on the bus is a privilege, not a right, and our only option, if a child refuses to co-operate, is to stop them using it. I'm asking parents of children who travel on the bus to talk with them about our expectations and encourage them to be responsible.

"Being responsible is doing the right thing when no one is looking".

Seesaw

"Seesaw" is the application that the teachers and children use to show parents what they are learning. It is a powerful tool which allows parents to see examples of their child's work and comments from the teacher. At the end of last term the teachers sent out full reports for each child, on Seesaw. I encourage you to look at your child's work and talk with them about what they have done. If you have any questions please ring us and make an appointment to talk with your child's teacher.

Magic Show Visit

Last week we had a visit from Mike who performs with "It's Showtime", he did a small show for the kids which they really enjoyed. They will be performing their family friendly magic and illusion show at Morrinsville Intermediate on Friday 23 August at 7.00pm. Information can be found on Eventfinda if you are interested in going.

Skool Loop App

By now all parents/caregivers should be signed up to the Skool Loop app. If you are unable to do so, please contact the school so that we know who is not receiving messages and alerts, and we will make other arrangements.

Have a great week! Kiwitahi Staff

IMPORTANT DATES

Thu 15 Aug - Visit from Ruben

Thu 29 Aug - Gymsport Festival

Thu 5 Sep - Soccer/Hockey Fun Day

AWARDS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Levi Cadman, Patu Thompson, Grace Littlejohn

MERIT CERTIFICATES

For knowing all the Early Words - Brax Aitchison

For great puzzle work - Mason Murphy

For sharing with the class the great maths strategies he uses - Damien Alcock

For writing - William Lemke

VALUE AWARDS (Compassion)

Cooper Macartney, Isabelle Cadman, Chelsey Matthews

WRITING FROM ROOM 2

Mike did some magic tricks. He tapped the picture and the bird came out. Lucy Tuck

Mike is amazing! He changed the \$5 note into a \$20 note. Brax Aitchison

Mike was a magician. He was good at doing magic tricks. I liked seeing the bird coming out of the picture. Cooper Macartney

Guess what? Mike the magician coughed some cards out of his mouth. It was amazing! Keilyn Apanui



Magic Show by Mike (It's Showtime)

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