

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2017



Dear Parents/Whanau,

English Oral Language: Prepared Speech

Last week we have held our Junior School prepared speeches and we have some talented and powerful speakers in development. The winners are:-



Year 5

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Siosiu Tonga, Rm5
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Leilani Williams, Rm9
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: Lili Tangipo, Rm8

Year 6

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Nevaiahlia Leuamuli, Rm9
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Ave Ave, Rm9
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: Hakurina Te Pania Edmonds, Rm10

This Thursday (Tomorrow) at 10am we are holding the Year 3 & 4 competitions in the Whare Whanaungatanga. You are all most welcome to come and support our Junior orators.

Duffy theatre

Recently we had the Duffy Show at school and their show was a simple and powerful



message that we need to look after our planet. This is so true. NZ is an amazing place but it's up to each of us to do our bit, recycle, pick up rubbish and put it the bin. An old message but a good one "Be a tidy Kiwi"

Recently as part of our focus on literacy we had a book character dress up day. We had a number of whanau go hard out with costumes

Goldielocks and the three bears. (Well one of them anyway)



anyway)

Little red riding hood



Maori language week

You may have seen the wearable arts festival on TV. Some of the creations are amazing. In the Junior School though we have our own talented designers and what they can do is equally breath taking. As part of our Maori language week focus we had the newspaper



Elsa from Frozen

challenge. Using only old newspapers and cello tape our tamariki had to design a traditional Maori costume. From a pile of cut up newspaper



our children were able to make head pieces, taiaha, and cloaks that were simply outstanding. Wow. Kia kaha!

Hillary House Leadership Centre

Recently I attended the AGM for our leadership Centre at Hillary House. Hillary House as you know is the big red building which is on our front boundary. Sir Edmund Hillary lived in this house and planned and all his

expeditions and adventures from here. We were delighted when his Sir Ed's son Peter came to the AGM and spoke of his father's legacy and ways to develop the house for the Collegiate and the wider community.

Playgroup running 17 years

Our congratulations to Ms Mafi and her team who have been running our Playgroup now for the last 17 years. What an amazing commitment to our community, helping our



youngest tamariki grow to their fullest potential. If you have a son/daughter under 5yrs old please feel free to pop into the centre and join in a session and enjoy a free cup of tea or coffee while you are there!



Children turning five

If your child is turning 5yrs old please do pop in to the school office and see the fabulous Miss Wilson and enroll them. Time just flies.

Junior Award

The hardest working pupils this week are Peter Ahiao for working hard on his reading and giving tricky work and words a go. Also Ngaera Lawrence for being a leader who helps students by showing them how to do the right thing. Our congratulations to both these hard working pupils from Rm6.

End of Term 3

Term 3 will finish on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 2.45pm. Term 4 will start on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 8.45am, and as the Warehouse advert goes, better than all the money you can spend on your child is time to be with them. Enjoy them, they grow so fast.

Yours truly, John Shearer Principal