

FERGUSSON Intermediate School

Newsletter - 23 June 2017

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Dear Parents / Caregivers

I begin this newsletter on a sad note acknowledging the sudden death of former Fergusson student Sean Roberts. Sean attended our school 2015-2016 and was one of those students who will live long in the memory of all who knew him and worked with him. At his funeral on Wednesday many spoke of the fact that he was a person who always put a smile on your face, and as many of his former classmates so eloquently put it, he will be sadly missed but always remembered. To Sean's parents Les and Natalie, and brother Carl we extend our deepest sympathy.



Preparations for the biennial Science Fair/Expo have continued and gained momentum during the past fortnight and we look forward to welcoming you all to the viewing of the exhibits and the judging on Wednesday afternoon.

Thank you to all parents who attended the workshop on Cybersafety, presented by John Parsons last Monday 12 June. John as previously advised, is a cyber security expert and during his presentation he gave those in attendance some real life examples of children who have been affected by cybercrime. We have put a link to, a summary of John's key points of advice for parents, on our website.



Last week it was the turn of the hockey teams to participate in their Inter-Intermediate Tournament. Both teams performed creditably with the boys team finishing 5th and the girls 6th of the twelve teams participating. Thanks go to Fiona Derham and Wendy Read for their coaching and organising of the teams.

A huge congratulations go to the Fergy Sharks Flippaball Team on their win in the B Grade Final of the Upper Hutt Competition. The team comprising Hayley Stokes, Connor Piercy, Cody Setter, Kayla Anthony, Chris Chivers, Diana Hicks, Grace Seemark, Archie Cosslett, Maisy Collins and Joseph Walker were coached by Karey Stokes and Sally Chivers. Well done to all students and thanks to Karey and Sally for their coaching and organisation. Congratulations also to the Fergy Orcas who finished second in the competition.



We must also make mention of the Fergusson basketball teams the X-Men and the Avengers. These teams are both having very good seasons and we wish them well for the approaching finals round.

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Further congratulations on the sporting front, to Jordan Caveney on his selection for the Hutt Valley U12 Rugby Rep Team. Well done Jordan.

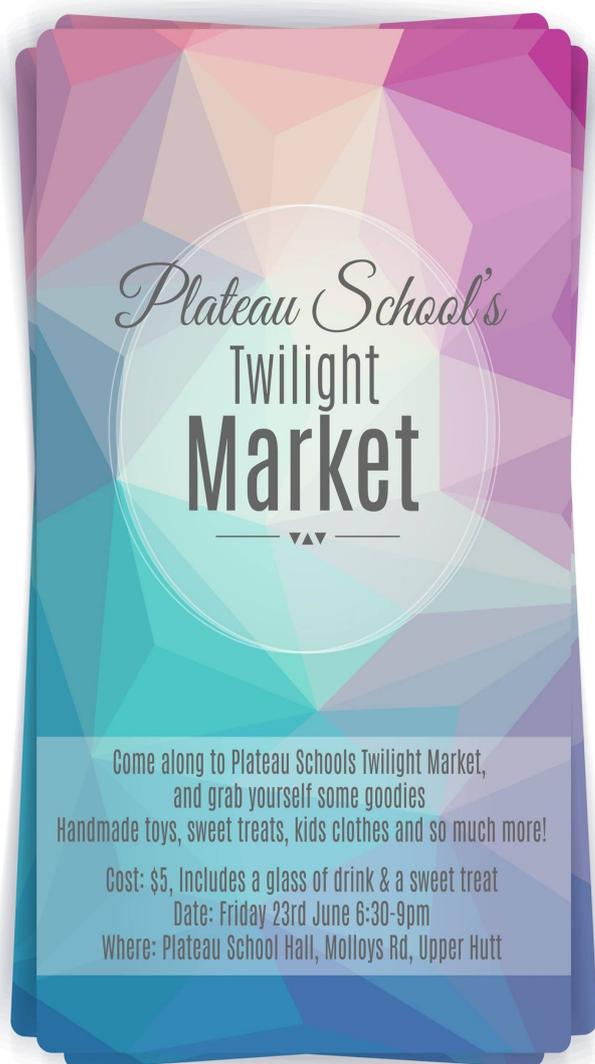
Thank you to all who supported Wig Wednesday /Mufti Day earlier this week. We raised \$605.80 which has been forwarded to Child Cancer - well done everyone.

Thank you also to all who have and are continuing to support the Fergy Fund Finders' Sweets Promotion. A reminder that all monies and unsold product need to be returned to school by next Friday 30 June.

It is hard to believe that we are now down to the last fortnight of term 2! The Hutt Valley Polyfest looms large on the horizon and I highly recommend this if you are looking for some great family entertainment. Our kapa haka group is performing on Monday 3 July and our Pasifika group on Tuesday 4 July. Tickets are still available at \$5 from the school office.

Regards

Paul Patterson
Principal



FREE Dental Checks!

Students at your school are due for their *free* annual dental check-ups. The Dental van will be on the school site next term. Once seen your child will be given a letter that may include details of another appointment. Please contact us to change this appointment if required. Please search your child's school bag!

To book or reschedule your appointment, or update your contact details, please call 0800 TALK TEETH (825 583).

We look forward to seeing you soon!
The Bee Healthy Team

Dates to Remember....

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| 28 June | School Science Fair |
| 29 June | Term 2 Disco |
| 30 June | Mufti Day |
| 3 July | Polyfest at Walter Nash Stadium (Kapa haka) |
| 4 July | Polyfest at Walter Nash Stadium (Polyfis) |
| 5 July | Inter-Intermediate Rugby League |
| 5 July | Mid Year Reports issued |
| 7 July | Term 2 concludes |
| 24 July | Term 3 commences |
| 1 August | Student/Parent/Teacher Interviews |
| 2 August | Student/Parent/teacher Interviews |
| 29 Sept. | Term 3 concludes |
| 16 Oct. | Term 4 commences |
| 18 Dec. | Term 4 concludes |