

FERGUSSON Intermediate School

Newsletter - 4 August 2017



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Dear Parents / Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 3, and it is hard to believe we are over halfway through the year already! I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and we look forward to a busy and full term ahead.

I would like to welcome Katherine Fuller to the Performing Arts position. Katherine is experienced in teaching Performing Arts at Primary, Intermediate and Secondary level and we are lucky to have her join us at Fergusson Intermediate. At the same time, we farewell Sonia Hocking who returned for the first week of Term 3 to ensure a smooth transition in the Performing Arts area. Sonia's energy and creativity has been appreciated by staff and students alike and we wish her well in her future endeavours.

This term Toby Funnell and Steve Whitfield began their job sharing role in room 12. They are both experienced teachers who are familiar to our students, having held a range of relief and fixed term roles in the school. We are confident room 12 will enjoy the opportunity to share the remainder of the year with two teachers of Toby and Steve's calibre.

Parent Interviews were held earlier this week and it was wonderful to see so many parents in attendance over the two evenings.

Round 2 of Fergy Sport commenced on Thursday. There have been some changes to the sports offered and there are some exciting new options available, as we strive to provide activities to accommodate all students. Thanks to Davida Marshall and Gemma Davidson for their hard work in bringing the programme together.

Further on the sporting front, congratulations go to Kobe Tala, Jordan Crozier, Josh Moodley and Holly Morgan who were selected for the U13 Basketball representative team. They will travel to Hawkes Bay in October to compete in the Regional tournament. Well done to all of you and our thanks go to Paula Jaworski and Pena Tala for coaching and managing our Basketball team.



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As part of the ALLiS (Asian Language Learning in Schools) programme a group of thirty students learning Japanese attended a Japanese Immersion day at Upper Hutt College today. Students who learn Japanese in Years 8-10 from Upper Hutt College, Heretaunga College, Ferguson Intermediate and Maidstone Intermediate, as well as selected senior students, gathered to experience a variety of Japanese activities, food and culture for a day. The day was a full immersion event with Japanese language. It was a great opportunity for students to use their Japanese language and culture knowledge and to improve confidence.

Regards

Kate Malcolmson
Deputy Principal

Community Notices - Upper Hutt City Library

2017 is the 20th year celebration of National Poetry Day. Celebrate this milestone with us by writing a poem based on the theme '1997' Entries open on Monday 10 July and close on Sunday 13 August. Awards night is Friday 25 August.



Our three categories are:
Children (up to 12 years)
Youth (13-18 years)
Adults (over 18 years)

You can enter by picking up a form and submitting it, with your poem, into our competition box at Upper Hutt Central Library, or you can fill out the online form below and attach your poem. Please have fun and we can't wait to read and share your poetry!

For more information follow the link:

<http://upperhuttlibrary.co.nz/upper-hutt-poetry-competition/>

Sweets Promotion – Final Results

Chrome Book Winner	Elyssa O'Leary
\$20 Voucher Winners	Danele Botha Amman Betham Lisa Phiratthitkon Shakaya Staunton Nathan Smith Diana Hicks Noah Hart Maia Johnson Kane Hope Manueli Tanidrala
Top Seller	Amman Betham
Class Prize – 1st	Room 8
- 2nd Equal	Rooms 11 & 13
Total Raised	\$ 4 885



Many thanks to all students, staff and the school community who supported this venture.

Dates to Remember....

8/9 August	Room 10 Parent Interviews
9 August	Inter-Intermediate Volleyball Tournament
15/16 August	Room 6 Parent Interviews
15 August	ICAS Mathematics Exam
16 August	BoT Meeting 6pm in Library Sports Fest Tournament
18 August	Trentham School Year 6 Students Hands On Visit
21 August	Silverstream School Year 6 Students Hands On Visit
25 August	Pinehaven School Year 6 Students Hands On Visit
28 August	Open Day
29 August	Open Day
29 August	New Parents Information Evening 7pm
23-28 August	Scholastic Book Fair
29 September	Term 3 concludes
16 October	Term 4 commences