



"Raising the Bar"

Hello Tena koutou Talofa lava Fakaalofa atu Talofa ni
Malo e lelei Kia orana Ni sa bula vinaka Malo ni

On Track Team News



Our On Track Team - our team members are busy trying on some jackets for sizing purposes. The jackets (which will be black) will be a symbol of being a student leader at Somerset Crescent School. This is something they are very much looking forward to... once they arrive that is.

Sapphire Award Winners

Te Ahumairangi - Rm 14

Playground Vouchers Awarded

to:

Swavay, Lily, Micah & Mylo - Rm 8
Serenity, Arihanna, Ceasar & Gabriel -
Rm 11
Ripeka - Rm 12
Ruby - Rm 14

U-ROCK Voucher winners:

Rock: Georgia Rm 5 & Stephannia Rm 11
On-to-it: Emeline & Cadance Rm 8
Cooperation: Marlee-Jayne Rm 12 &
Eseta Rm 11
Kindness: Serenity Rm 11 & Lucy Rm 14

Special Lunch with Mrs Johnson:

Ripeka & Ngataka - Rm 12

Staff Star Award

was presented to Mrs Johnson, Mrs Arnold and Pa Wes for the wonderful support they are giving the Kowhai team.



Kia Ora,

Mr & Mrs Telfer

I want to acknowledge and recognise Mrs Telfer in this week's newsletter. This is because Mr Telfer's beautiful wife Mrs Telfer passed away. We have all been very sad about this at school, and Mr Telfer is very, very sad too. Some staff attended Mrs Telfer's service to support Mr Telfer, and to also pay tribute to Mrs Telfer. We all felt very privileged to hear the stories that were shared at the service about Mrs Telfer. Everyone who knew her well spoke about how kind, generous, and happy she was. Mr Telfer is going to come back in the holidays to take over from Mr Day - who has been here supporting us while Mr Telfer has been away.

Student Teachers - R8 & R12

Welcome to our 2 student teachers who are learning how to become the best teachers they can be at our school. Jacob Lawson is in Room 12 being supported by Mrs J, and Ebony Wehipeihana is in Room 8 being supported by Mrs Kean.

Room 8 Assembly

Thank you Room 8 for running a lovely 'Whole School Assembly' on Wednesday. It was great to see the beautiful writing you had completed, and the gorgeous glitter shoes you had created. I also really liked the maths shapes that you showed us. Well done Room 8, you are all very clever.

Forest Lakes Camp

Mrs A and I visited the Kahikatea Team at Forest Lakes camp on Thursday. We went around the various activities the students were taking part in. We started at the Mudslide, then ventured onto kayaking, the swimming pool, the confidence course, the gladiators game, and finally the horses. At each activity there was a great deal of laughter and happy screaming. I look forward to seeing all the photos that have been taken. Thank you to all our parents, volunteers and support people who made the camp so memorable. A huge thank you also to Ms Etuale, Whaea Lisa, Mrs Day and Miss Young for leading at this year's Senior Camp.

Brass Band

Our Brass Band group did get to go to their Thursday Salvation Army practice after school this week, and use the instruments that we were all waiting for from Australia. Thank you to all these students who are looking after their instruments and for getting fully involved in their practices so far this year.

Ka kite ano
Teena Johnson
Tumuaki/Principal

Breakfast Club

Can you help on a Thursday with our Breakfast Club - from approx. 8.15am - 9am? Please see Pa Wes or the ladies in the office.

Welcome

We would like to welcome Allura, Eden-Dawn, Lucy, Peyton and their families to the Somerset Crescent School community.

Assembly

On Wednesday Room 8 presented assembly. They showed us their 'All about me' posters, their 3D shapes and also their descriptive writing about Ruby shoes from The Wizard of Oz. They have been working very hard. Playground awards & URock awards were given out too - well done to all who received them. Well done Room 8 for presenting assembly. U ROCK!

Top Cat Class went to Miss K's Room 12. U ROCK Room 12!

The next assembly is on **Wednesday the 3rd of April** Room 12 will be presenting. See you there!

On Wednesday Kahikatea team left for camp at Forest Lakes for 2 nights.



The wheels on the bus go round and round! Here we come Forest Lakes Camp. What fun we will have!

Message from Somerset Crescent Kindergarten:

Unfortunately children have been jumping our locked fence outside Kindergarten hours and they have broken into our sheds and broken equipment. It would be of great help if we could get it out into the community so that if people see children in our playground when we are not here they could either report it to us or the police.

Coming Events

25 th March	Public Health Nurse visits @ 12pm.
27 th March	Board of Trustees Meeting in the staffroom at 5.30pm
1 st April	Public Health Nurse visits @ 12pm
3 rd April	Assembly @ 2pm - Room 12 hosting
12 th April	LAST Day of Term 1
29 th April	FIRST Day of Term 2

Sports News

Basketball & Netball notices for **Year 3 & 4's** have been given out to children. Please return the forms to Whaea Lyn asap to ensure a place in a team - fees are due on the **29th of March for Netball** and the **5th of April for Basketball** - Fees per child are \$30. If your child did not receive a sports notice please pick one up from the office.

Year 5 & 6 Sports notices will go home on Monday due to the children being at camp this week.

Basketball and Year 5-6 Netball starts after the holidays. Year 3-4 Netball starts next week. Please check the notice board outside the hall for draws.



Room 12 and Room 11 are learning about different environments. Today we talked about our school environment and how we can look after it. Then we went outside and had a big clean up of our environment. Well done everyone!!

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Stationery for sale:

We have some surplus stationery items available for purchase at the office.

Glue Stick 35g	\$2.00
Eraser	\$1.00
Jovi Crayons	\$5.00
Clear plastic ruler	\$0.70
Yellow Highlighter	\$1.50
HB Pencils	\$0.40

Lost

Please remember to check the new lost property bins next to Room 3 (out the back) if you have lost any of your items of school clothing, shoes or socks.

WHĀNAU KONNECT DAY!

GOLD COIN ENTRY (\$5 FOR WHĀNAU OF UP TO 6)
JUST BRING YOUR TICKET OR PROOF OF 4412 POSTCODE

Sunday 24th March | Lido Aquatic Centre

1 - 4 PM



Public Health Nurse Visits

The Public Health Nurse visits our school on Mondays at 12pm. Ring to book an appointment if you would like to see her. If she is not available and you are concerned about your child's health please let the office know and we can refer your child to Public Health anytime.

**Are you
restraining
your child
correctly while
travelling in
your car?**
See this chart
for seat belt &
restraint
requirements
for your
children.

Requirements for child restraints

Age of child	The law says you must:
Until their 7th birthday	Correctly secure your child in an approved child restraint
From their 7th to their 8th birthday	Correctly secure your child in an approved child restraint if one is available in the vehicle (and if not, in any child restraint or safety belt that is available)
From 8th birthday to 14 years old	Must use safety belts if available. If not available, they must travel in the back seat.
Over 14 years old	Must use safety belts where they are available.

International best practice recommends the use of an appropriate child restraint (or booster seat) until your child reaches 148 cm tall or is 11 years old. Child restraint and medical professionals recommend that you keep your baby in a rear-facing restraint until as old as practicable, at least until they are 2 years of age.



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Are you a grandparent raising grandchildren?

Grandparents raising Grandchildren is here to help. Free assistance, advice and support on issues you may have including financial assistance and support services for your grandchildren. GRG has a local group who meet once a month. For more information, phone 0800 472 637, website www.grg.org.nz or your local coordinator 021 229 0455

School Facebook pages

Do have a look at our Kowhai, Rata and Kahikatea teams facebook pages. Each team has their own page and regularly put photos and exciting news of what is happening in their teams and around the school. Search for them:

Somerset Kowhai Team, Somerset Rata Team,
Somerset Kahikatea Team



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PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for any reason.

Contact us on 3543274 or 0800 45 44 44 or text on 02108324514.

If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as truant.

If you have a change of address or your phone number changes, please let the office know.

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