

ope newsletter

Week 7

Friends, Learners, Guardians Whakahoahoa, Akonga, Kaitiaki

Term 2

29 May 2020

PRINCIPAL'S POST



We have had a great first two weeks back at school and I have been extremely impressed by how well the children have settled back into routines.

Focus for the rest of Term 2

It feels like we are just at the beginning of Term 2 and yet we are over halfway through the term. It has been encouraging to hear about all the exciting learning that's happened at home during lockdown. This is a time to feel proud of our families, students and teachers, who all worked as a team for the benefit of the children's education.

Our focus, as we are settling into a "somewhat normal school life" is that wellbeing is prioritised. Science tells us that the brain won't work unless it feels safe.

Reports and Homeschool Conferences

As a result of lockdown we are currently reviewing our time frame for mid year reports and Homeschool Conferences and what they may look like. We will advise you of this shortly.

Pick Up and Drop Off Thank You

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers who have found alternative ways of picking up and dropping off your children. From the school's point of view the school entry and exits have been very smooth and there has been a lot less traffic outside the gates both before and after school. This process has provided some good lessons for our systems going forward.

For those who do need to come into school for drop off and pick we encourage you to check-in via the school app as this speeds the process up.

Have a great long weekend.

Kia kaha

Zane Wilson

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Principal

FOR YOUR DIARY



CHILDREN WHO HAVE NOT RETURNED TO SCHOOL – UNDER LEVEL 2

As per the Ministry of Education's guidelines any non attending students, who have not been granted Justified Reasoning for absence, will be visited by our Truancy team the week of 2 June.

Children under the age of 16 are legally required to attend school every day, unless they are unwell. A medical certificate will be required if they are not back at school on Tuesday 2 June.

NEW LIBRARY LEGO CORNER

A huge thank you to Stonefields New World who have donated **\$3,000** for our new Lego Corner in the Library. We sincerely thank Stonefields New World for this most generous donation and ask you to support them when possible.

If you have any old Lego at home suitable to donate to the school, please send it into the school office.

SPORT

All competitive sport competitions have been cancelled for Term 2.

School life continuing at Alert Level 2 - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The country is still operating at Alert Level 2. From Tuesday and during the next four weeks we will be continuing with some of the practices we have established over the last two weeks.

- The school gates will remain closed until 8.30am. (If you need to drop off earlier we encourage you to use Kelly Club).
- **Contact Tracing:** We must still contact trace every parent/visitor who comes on site. We understand that some parents do like to be on site before and after school and visit their child's classroom. All that we ask is that you check in via the School App or sign in at the gate with one of our Senior Leadership Team.
- From 9.00am-2.55pm Stanhope Road and Ellerslie/Panmure entrances will remain locked.

- All students will be walked to the gates with the Road Patrol Teacher(s). Road Patrollers will resume duty.
- Whakatōtanga students will continue to be brought to the assigned gates by their teachers at 2.55 pm.

Rooms 7-10 Harris Road gate Rooms 2, 3, 5 & 6 Ellerslie Panmure Highway

- Any parents who need to come into school between 9.00am-2.30pm, please enter via Harris Road entrance and come to the office and sign in.
- All late students and their parents will be required to sign in at the office.

Kelly Club parents are **NOT** to use the staff driveway. Please park and enter via Ellerslie/ Panmure Highway.

UNIFORM

Thank you very much to those parents who have ordered via Kindo and continue to make our students look smart in their school uniform. We have plenty of warm jackets in stock.

We have a sale on the red Stanhope Road School Umbrellas – they are now \$10.00.



PHOTOLIFE SCHOOL PHOTOS

This year photographs will be available for you to view and order online with Photolife Studios.

If you would like sibling photographs taken, please collect a sibling form from the office. This must be completed and returned to the office BEFORE Photo Day.

After photo day your son or daughter will then bring home an online slip with their unique access key detailed on it. This access key will display all the photographs of your child. It is then an easy process for you to shop online and purchase the photographs you would like.

If you place your order within three weeks of receiving your access key, you will receive free delivery for your photo orders. Photolife has agreed to despatch all the orders back to the school and your child will bring their photographs home.

Any orders placed after this three week period will be sent directly to your specified delivery address and will incur a \$6.00 postage & packing charge. You will see this message when you go online to view and order your photographs.

TE KAUPAPARI SUSTAINABILITY

Te Kaupa

the scattering of seeds · our sustainability journey

A combination of the lockdown and the drought had left our school vegetable gardens a bit dry and neglected. It has been great to finally get some rain and the gardens are all ready for some winter crops to be planted by our student gardeners.

Our bees have been enjoying the many flowers that have been blooming lately, especially our loquat tree which is loaded with flowers and buzzing with bees. It looks like we'll have a great crop of loquats this spring, which is good news for all those students who love these sweet and juicy fruits.









LITTLE STANS



This term we have begun 'Little Stans' our new transition to school programme. It has been fantastic to meet our future Stanhope learners and their families.

'Little Stans' is designed to assist children in making a positive transition into our Stanhope Road School environment through:

- Building positive learning relationships within the school
- Developing beginning school literacy and numeracy skills
- Becoming familiar with the school environment and routines



STANHOPE ROAD SCHOOL BOOKFAIR

We have rescheduled the Stanhope Road School Book Fair & Character Parade to Term 3.

More details will follow closer to the time.

PANMURE LIBRARY

Panmure Library has reopened, resuming normal hours. Glen Innes, and Pakuranga Libraries remain closed.



TEAM TALK – Hautūtanga

Hautūtanga are back for Term 2 in full force!

Throughout the first two weeks we have been focusing on the 3 Cs - CALM, CREATE & CONNECT to ease our way back into school life and learning.

CALM - We have been practising mindfulness to help us be present in the now and learning strategies on how to understand each other's emotions.











CREATE - We have been creating art pieces that reflect on our lockdown journeys, who we are and who we want to be.

CONNECT - We have also spent the time to reconnect with each other through fun activities and games.







STANHOPE SCENE

We are very excited to see our new astroturf installed this week!



PARENTS GROUP

Please continue to collect the Yummy Stickers from the Yummy fruit for our chance to win sports gear for our school. One coupon from the Apple Bags = 10 points! We have seen some very full class collection sheets.

The next Parent Group Meeting is Monday 08 June, 2.30pm in the PAC. All parents are welcome to attend.





Request to schools to place in their school newsletters/communications:

Kia ora,

During COVID-19 Alert Level 2, the Children's Community Dental Service has reopened some of its clinics for children with urgent dental care needs.

We will be in contact with you if your child requires an urgent appointment.

Alternatively, if your child is in pain, or you have immediate concerns about their teeth, please phone 0800 TALK TEETH to speak with one of our therapists.

We are not able to offer routine appointments just yet, but we will let you know as soon as this changes.

This means that your child's routine appointment may be delayed.

For more information, search for 'ARDS' on the Waitematā DHB website.

Thank you for your understanding and support during this time.

The Children's Community Dental Service.

REMINDERS

OFFICE HOURS: The School Office is open daily from 8am-3.30pm.

School Donations/Fees 2020

Stanhope Road School has opted into the Government's donations scheme. This means we will not ask parents for any activity fees this year except for Year 7 & 8 Technology, Year 8 Camp, Sports, Choir, Cultural Trips or overnight stays.

However, anyone can choose to make a donation to the school at any time. **Donation** tax receipts can be claimed and GST is not payable.

Donations can be paid into the school bank account 12 3109 0012738 000. at the office or via Kindo.

Term Dates 2020

Term 1: Wed 29 Jan – Fri 27 Mar

Term 2: Wed 15 Apr – Fri 3 Jul

Term 3: Mon 20 Jul – Fri 25 Sep

Term 4: Mon 12 Oct – Fri 11 Dec TOD 6 November 2020

STANHOPE BOAD SCHOOL APP

Sign up to the School App today to ensure you get important messages, newsletters, reminders and notify us of absences.

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and search 'SchoolAppsNZ' to download the app onto your device.

Then search 'Stanhope Road School' to find our school's app.



\$12

A portion of every sale goes towards the school

Purchase now from the office

Absences

If your child/ren are going to be away from school, please do one of the following BEFORE 9.00am each morning:

- call the school (579 6434), press option 2 and leave a message on the answer phone
- use the Absence submission template on the Stanhope Road School App
- send an email to office@stanhope.school.nz
- use the Absence submission form on the school website. Please clearly state your child/ren's name, room number and why they are absent

Late to School

If your child is late to school, please ensure that they report to the office immediately on arrival to sign in and collect a late slip to give to their teacher.

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