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Messages from our Principal

Greetings Everyone

Congratulations to our Year 5/6 Ki-O-Rahi team who took out second place at their tournament at Kensington Park last Friday. This was a great effort from our students. A big thank you to Rachel Sadgrove for coaching the team and to the many parents who came along to support the children on the day.

School Donations

Each year the Board of Trustees seeks a donation from parents to assist in providing many extras for our children. These may include classroom computers, sports equipment and uniforms, library books etc. This year the donation requested is:

\$20.00 per child per term (\$60 per child per year if paid by the end of Term 1) or

\$30 per family per term or (\$90 per family per year if paid before the end of Term 1).

Donations may be paid at the school office or by direct credit into the school's bank account. We thank you all for your ongoing support.

Term Dates

Term 1 finishes on Thursday 13th April.

Term 2 starts on Monday 1st May and ends on Friday 7th July

Term 3 starts on Monday 24th July and ends on Friday 29th September

Term 4 starts on Monday 16th October and ends on Thursday 14th December

David Prchal
Principal



Curriculum Focus - Students

As mentioned in the last newsletter our curriculum at Morningside School is guided by our

Key Competencies these being:

Thinking, Managing Self, Participating and Contributing, Relating to Others and Language Symbols and Texts.

Thinking...

Is about developing the sort of thinking skills that children need in the world today. They are using creative and critical ways of thinking to make sense of information, experiences and ideas. Check out this link for ideas of how to further develop this competency at home.



<http://parents.education.govt.nz/primary-school/learning-and-development-at-home/helping-your-child-develop-key-competencies/>

Staff Focus

Our continued staff focus is on knowing the individual to know the learner. Programmes are developing which incorporate the learning styles and preferences of our students. We have been looking more closely at how we can differentiate our programmes to ensure all students are able to access and understand their own learning next steps.

Updating Contact Details

Please ensure that we have all your contact details up to date. We have had a number of incidents where we have been unable to contact parents when a child is sick or injured. It is important that you let us know as soon as your details change. Feel free to send in a note, to email us or contact us via the Facebook page

with any change of details.



Library Corner

We have been busy practicing our Duffy Song in our teams as we have our first Duffy Role Model Assembly of the year coming up soon so everyone is looking forward to that!

Our Duffy Role Model this term will be Dianna Queenin and this





Team Kiwi - Cordell



Have a great week whanau!

