



Save The Date:

Monday 4 June

Queens Birthday Holiday

Wednesday 6 June

Quiz Night – 7.30 pm

Monday 18 June

Book Week

Monday 18 June

Playhouse Theatre performance at Tasman Bay Christian School

Wednesday 20 June

Wig Wednesday

Monday 25 June

ERO Visit all week

Lexia Awards:

Our students who have achieved a new level in Lexia are:

Room 1: Jessie Draper

Room 2:

Maisie Butler
Lilja Campbell
Ashley Lynch
Quinn Manuge
Finn Nugent
Sophie Rush

From the Principal

Kia ora koutou,

Lately we have been experiencing a 'rough' patch with behavioural incidents within the school. In some cases this is alarming for parents and caregivers, as on the whole our school can be proud to say these cases are fairly infrequent. Our staff have worked in a range of schools and do have valid experience to draw upon. The major difficulty we have seen is the time it is taking students to report any incident. It is crucial that students talk to staff immediately at the time. It becomes so much more difficult for us to investigate issues properly and fairly once the event has been taken home and a period of time lapses. That said, this is also a two-way process and we as a school need to identify if there are barriers that are making it difficult for students to report incidents to our staff. Please come and see me or send me an email if you have any thoughts on this. What we don't know, we can't fix.

For your piece of mind there are processes regarding behaviour support that were refined at the end of 2016. These have not been displayed publicly as students so rarely reach serious steps within this process, that this information has only been shared on a one to one basis with families as required. Our approach has been to focus on the positive aspects of this support plan and promote this to the students. Please understand that when dealing with issues we aim to consider each child's scenario carefully, whilst following procedures that have been established. Students make mistakes and it is important we help them to learn from these.

This has prompted us to undertake a number of reviews to help us to improve existing school systems. Some of these have already been actioned and the remaining ones we expect to occur by the end of Week 7. These actions include:

From the Principal Continued...

- An anonymous well-being survey of Year 5 - 8 students
- Review of staff procedures based upon information we have received in student voice surveys and parent feedback
- Increased adult supervision at key points during break times
- Review of the long term plan for Term 2 for targeted cohorts within the school
- Review of the school bullying policy by the Board of Trustees
- Improved visual awareness of the behaviour support system within the school and the complaints procedure
- Communication expectations for staff and parents (Those of you who have been involved with the school for a long time will know we've made big efforts to improve this, but there is still some fine tuning to smoothen)

Looking at recent events with 'big picture' thinking, I had the pleasure to travel with our Year 8 students to Hanmer Springs and Christchurch. These students were a credit to our school and demonstrated the ability to be capable leaders. With this in mind, it is important to consider that 80 percent of these students started at Tasman School as new entrants. These students will have had difficulties along their own journey, but now have the skills and resilience to cope with conflict and challenge. To me this is the reward of great parenting and a supportive school community. Thank you to Julie Ashcroft, Sally Lattimore, Kylie Rush and Kathryn van Veen for your support to run this trip for our Year 8 students.

I am available to talk things through. With good discussion and the opportunity to consider multiple perspectives, most things can begin a pathway towards being solved. Our staff are dedicated and have good hearts, with the intention to help each of our students to reach their full potential.

Enjoy the long weekend ahead!

Rob

Dovedale Junior Cross Country Results:

5 year girls	1 st	Jessie Draper
	2 nd	Jensie Beloe
6 year girls	2 nd	Safia Armitage
7 year girls	1 st	Lucy Johnstone
7 year boys	2 nd	Winston Palmer
	3 rd	Sam Moynan
8 Year girls	1 st	Sophie Rush
8 year boys	1 st	Joel Stobie

Well done everyone!

Hamper

We are still needing hamper items for next week's Quiz Night. Please drop any items off to the office. Many thanks.

Short Term Rental

Fully furnished 3 bedroom house in Ruby Bay available for 5 weeks from 20th July until 22nd of August for \$270 a week, rate negotiable. Very cosy with big fire and lovely views over Ruby Bay. 5 minutes drive to Tasman School. Email Michelle at piccologelato@gmail.com if interested.



We are very excited to have started the creation of the outdoor space behind Room 1 last weekend with the sandpit being completed. A big thank you must go to our wonderful team of helpers – Damian Campbell, Joe Haddon, Chris Short, Nick Fraser & Nathan Ellis. And thanks to Ange for the scones. We will have another working bee later in the term after the tree planting days, watch this space for more details.





Finn Nugent and Lachlin Cable using Lexia on the iPads in the banana seats



BIG WIG CHALLENGE



**WIGS
ON** **20
JUNE**
FOR WIG
WEDNESDAY!

I'm a **BIG WIG** wearing my wig on Wednesday 20
June to fundraise for Child Cancer Foundation!
wigwednesday.org.nz

