

9th November 2018

## Term 4 School Wide Value — Consideration



Kia ora, Moghrey Mie,

For most of our students and staff there are five more school weeks to go until the end of the year but for six of our senior students school has finished forever. We held our annual Leavers Assembly on Tuesday to recognise and farewell this group of students who have contributed so much to our awesome kura. Monique Perkins, Matthew Topp and Olivia Heberd have completed Year 13 and are off to the big wide world with many varied plans including work and travel. Taine Kinzett and Jade Gibson have decided this is the appropriate time to move into that world at the end of Year 12 and are also planning to work, travel and perhaps study. Bayden Brunner has completed both his Year 11 and Year 12 qualifications in one year and is off to work in the engineering industry he loves and excels at. This group of students have been at our school for between five and thirteen years. This is a huge accomplishment for both, them and our school. We cater to students of all ages, all abilities and all interests and achieve the best for them and these students are living examples of this. As Mrs Peacock mentioned in her speech, the way our students and staff accept new peers to the school and welcome them and involve them in everyday life is amazing. So, in summary, good luck in all your future endeavours, travel safely, keep learning and stay in touch.

Last weeks' Pet Day was a huge success. The weather was kind to us and the turn out was great. We had record numbers of entries in some sections and a wide range of awesome pets and arts. The cake entries were excellent and it was really positive to see so many of our parents and whanau supporting and helping out in the house events. The school and various camp groups also raised nearly \$2000 on the day with raffles, calendars and BBQ's, so again thank you to everyone for your support.

This week we have Buller and Year 3 students from Mangles Room away on camp and next week Maruia are off to the Marlborough Sounds. This will just leave our Year 9/10 students to go and they are off in week seven to Whenua Iti and Lake Daniell.

We also have our Year 7/8 Maruia class play on Thursday night (tonight as I write this) and I am really looking forward to seeing this play, as I am aware of the huge talent we have in this group and also the extreme hard work they have been putting into this performance.

Finally, good luck to all our senior students who are now sitting their external NCEA exams. Continue to study hard, focus and you will reap the rewards. Also remember staff are still here to help you with these exams and any internal assessments you still have an opportunity to complete.

Nga Mihi, Slaynt as shee.  
Andy Ashworth  
Principal

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Maruia Rm Camp, Marlborough Sounds - 13th – 16th November  
Yrs 7-10 Tapawera Sports exchange at MAS - 22nd November  
Year 9/10 Overnight -Whenua Iti - 29th - 30th November  
Senior Prize Giving - 30th November - 6.30-9pm at the Rec Centre  
Junior Prize Giving - 14th December, 10.30am-12.30pm  
Last day of Term 4 - 14th December  
**First day back 2019 - 31st January**



## Morning Tea with Mrs P

It was a special morning tea with Mrs P on Tuesday as she chose to invite the six senior leavers who had their last day of school today. For Olivia, Monique, Matt, Taine, Jade and Bayden, Tuesday marked the end of an era. No more school uniform, no more homework (apart from study for exams!), no more being 'ruled by the bell'.

When asked by Mrs P how they felt about it being their last day, the responses ranged from 'scary', to 'exciting', to 'sad'. And that's just how it should be. A little bit of each of those things reflects the significance of the day and the 'Great Unknown' that awaits them.

All five of them (Bayden was away at work experience) spent some time reminiscing with Mrs P about school memories, and talking about what was on their Bucket Lists for the future. For Mrs P it was also a little sad, scary and exciting seeing them on the brink of the next stage of their lives. For three of the six (Olivia, Taine and Jade) she watched them walk in the gates as 5 year olds and today watched them leave as fine, young adults - what a special privilege, indeed.

"Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei." Seek the treasure you value most dearly; if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain.



## NITS ARE ON THE LOOSE



PLEASE check your child's hair **regularly** for these pesky critters. They are highly contagious and, if nits are visible in your child's hair, **to protect other families we will send your child home with a request not to return them to school until the nits have been treated.**

There are many remedies out there for nits, some reliable, some not so reliable. The key is to check, check and check your child's hair on a regular basis and do something about it if you find anything. We rely on everyone doing their bit to keep nits at bay.

Treatment & combs are available from the office if required.

## **\*\*\*SCHOOL CAMPS\*\*\***



Please see below the dates of upcoming school camps.

**November 13th - November 16th**  
Maruia Rm Camp - Marlborough Sounds

**November 29th - November 30th**  
Year 9/10 Overnight -Whenua Iti



Camp fees can be paid in instalments if this suits.

Payment can be made by either direct credit to the school bank account  
03-1354-0142625-00 or cheque, cash or eftpos at the school office.

If you have any queries please contact the school office.

### **Child sick, away or not catching bus?**

Can parents/caregivers please remember to contact the school office **promptly** each time your child/ren are not going to be at school or catching the bus after school due to swimming club, sports or any other reason.

This is so we can ensure the safety of your child/ren and buses are not held up waiting for a child that isn't catching the bus.

Your co-operation is needed and appreciated for the school to complete this duty each day.



If you are unable to speak to anyone in the office a message can be left by calling 5239 072 and leaving a message on the "absence line."

### **School Swimming**

This term children will be swimming when it can fit in with their class timetable.

Can children please bring their togs each day in case they have swimming.

Thank you



## **It's that time of year again....**

With the warmer weather here, we are once again implementing our **NO HAT, NO PLAY** rule.  
This is for **ALL STUDENTS**.

**Year 7 to 13 students must wear a hat that provides sun protection.**  
**Year 1 to 6 should be wearing uniform hats.**



There are 3 different styles of school sunhat available from  
The Warehouse in Richmond.

A cap with our logo  
A bucket hat with our logo  
A plain navy wide brim hat

Or you can order directly from School Tex on  
0800 507 807.

**The school office has some school caps  
available for sale for \$12.**



**Please see Kathryn or Sandy.**

# Congratulations!



Congratulations to Alysha Harper, Year 10, for her recent writing accomplishments.

She entered two writing competitions run by The NZ School for Young Writers; one a poetry-writing competition, and one a story-writing competition. She was awarded a 'Highly Commended' in both competitions, which is an outstanding achievement considering she was competing against other writers across NZ. Well done, Alysha.

Her work will be published in The School for Young Writers twice-yearly publication called 'Write On,' which is available for purchase online.

## Raffle Results

Adventure Race Fundraiser Raffle  
Winner - Ticket No. 20 Claire McLellan

Helicopter Trial Flight  
Winner - Ticket No. 2 Kim Sluys

### Maruia Room Play Raffle results

Grocery Hamper  
Winner - Ticket No.7 Sara Flintoft

Cake on a Plate 1  
Winner - Ticket No. 10 Josh Penman

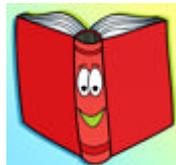
Cake on a Plate 2  
Winner - Ticket No. 14 Heather Kinzett

\$50 Lotto & Scratchies 1  
Winner - Ticket No. 16 Dick Hocking

\$50 Lotto & Scratchies 2  
Winner - Ticket No. 12 Lesley Ashworth

## Congratulations

Murchison Area School is the winner of this month's mystery box of books from Scholastic. All we had to do was enter photos from our recent Book Fair. Our librarian, Lois, had put up a winning display of books. The pictures here show the books we won.



## Diarrhoea and Swimming

Diarrhoea and swimming don't mix!

Diarrhoea is the most common recreational water illness (RWI). Swimmers who are sick with diarrhoea—or who have been sick in the last two weeks—risk contaminating pool water with germs. Certain germs that cause diarrhoea can live from minutes to days in pools, even if the pool is well-maintained. Once the pool has been contaminated, all it takes is for someone to swallow a small amount of pool water to become infected.

To help protect the health of others, **do not swim when you have diarrhoea or have been sick with diarrhoea in the last two weeks.**



in this room,  
we don't do  
**easy**  
we make  
easy happen  
through  
**hard  
work  
& learning**

# Pet Day Results

## Dog Competition

### Years 1-3

- 1st Jaxon Mackie with Harley  
2nd Blake Dodd with Maggie  
3rd Ava Turner with Mindy

### Years 4-6

- 1st Corbin Barber with Trevor  
2nd Jayme Baxter with Mate

### Years 7-10

- 1st Aaliyah Ross with Hunter  
2nd Rose de Baugh with Pumba  
3rd Morgan Duigan with Wag

## Veggie Pet

### Playcentre & Kindy

- 1st Chalee Baxter  
2nd Jacob Andrew  
3rd Travis Cooper  
HC Bree Boyer

### Rooms Mangles, Matiri & Buller

- 1st = Payton Topping & Ruby Cooper  
2nd Keira Morgan  
3rd Ruby Andrews  
HC = Oliver Pugh & Aubrie Fishburn

### Rooms Tutaki, Mataki & Maruia

- 1st Ryan Elliott  
2nd Tayla Baxter  
3rd Mia Phipps  
HC Jayme Baxter

## Cooking Results

### Decorated Large Cakes and Cupcakes

- 1st = Kade Hewitt & Michael Wilkins  
2nd Rosie Badcock  
3rd Taylor Wilkins  
HC Rose de Baugh

### Open Entry

- 1st Aubrie Fishburn  
2nd Koby Morgan  
3rd Zahara Hewitt  
HC Keira Morgan

### Trick or Treat Sweets

- 1st Tessa Elliott  
2nd = Summer Nicholls & Tamsyn Nicholls  
3rd Finn Corbett  
HC Finn Corbett

### Playcentre/Kindy Open

- 1st Jacob Andrews  
2nd = Conrad Topping & Lachlan Topping

**HC = Highly Commended**



## Horse Competition

### Best Cared For

#### Junior:

- 1st Annabelle Moore with Owen  
2nd Summer Nicholls with Zephyr  
3rd = Alisha Nicholls with Izzy & Tamsyn Nicholls with Gem

#### Senior

- 1st Harmonie Whitnall with Jiggy  
2nd Tara Harper with Amelia

### Trotting Pony

#### Junior

- 1st Annabelle Moore with Owen  
2nd Summer Nicholls with Zephyr  
3rd Tamsyn Nicholls with Gem

#### Senior

- 1st Harmonie Whitnall with Jiggy  
2nd Tara Harper with Amelia

### Paced & Mannered

#### Junior

- 1st Alisha Nicholls with Izzy  
2nd Annabelle Moore with Owen  
3rd Tamsyn Nicholls with Gem

#### Senior

- 1st Tara Harper with Amelia  
2nd Harmonie Whitnall with Jiggy



## Household Pets

### Guinea Pig

#### Junior

- 1st Fletcher Hocking with Fluffy  
2nd Tommy Hocking with Cocoa  
3rd Aubrie Fishburn with Brian

#### Senior

- 1st Ruby Hocking with Toffee  
2nd Hagan Telfer-Eggers with Guinea  
3rd Meadow Boyer with Snowflake

### Cat

- 1st Tayla Baxter with Motley  
2nd Clover Whittington with Bill

### Birds

- 1st Jesse McPerson with River & Forrest

### Chook

#### Junior

- 1st Tama Marshall with Fatty  
2nd Gordie Penman with Fleury  
3rd Keira Morgan with Princess

#### Senior

- 1st Aaliyah Ross with Quasi Moto

### Soft Pet

- HC Elspeth King with Rosie

# Pet Day Results Continued

## Pigs

- 1st Devlin Telfer-Eggers with McGee
- 2nd Kalam Phipps with Cupcake



## Goats

- 1st Lexi Firth with Penny
- 2nd Kate Gilmer with Lily
- 3rd Kiahna Telfer-Eggers with Timmy

## Lambs

- 1st Leighton Webb with Rosie
- 2nd Ruby Cooper with Quine
- 3rd Lilly-Ann Topping with Bubble/Luna

## Young Farmer

Young Farmer will be announced at Junior Prizegiving



Pet Day photos continued:



## Pet Day Raffle Results

**Christmas Cake** won by Andy Ashworth

**Field Day Grocery Raffle (2 Draws)**

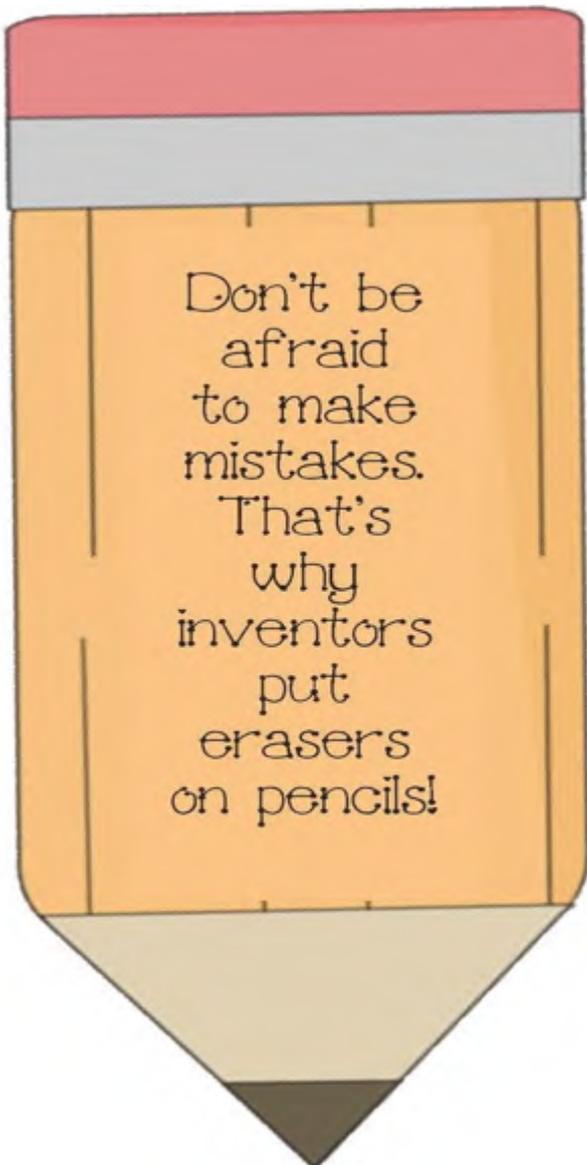
1st Braden Cooper

2nd Kathryn Mason

**Field Day Scratchie Raffle 1** Mandy Low

**Field Day Scratchie Raffle 2** won by Braden Cooper

# WINNERS



### Questions to ask your child instead of "How was your day?"

Alternative questions that your child will answer with more than a single word or grunt.

#### **Questions a child will answer at the end of a long school day:**

If one of your classmates could be the teacher for the day who would you want it to be? Why?

If you had the chance to be the teacher tomorrow, what would you teach the class?

Did anyone push your buttons today?



## Congratulations from Maureen Pugh

This was received from Maureen Pugh, National List MP, congratulating Murchison Area School on the outcome of our recent ERO report.



Dear Andy

I read with pleasure the outcome of your recent ERO report. I remember what a stressful time they can be. So pleased to see that your school is doing so well and the students are achieving to such a high standard. It was of particular note that students leaving school go on to further study or work.

Please pass on my congratulations to your BOT and staff.

Kind regards,  
Maureen

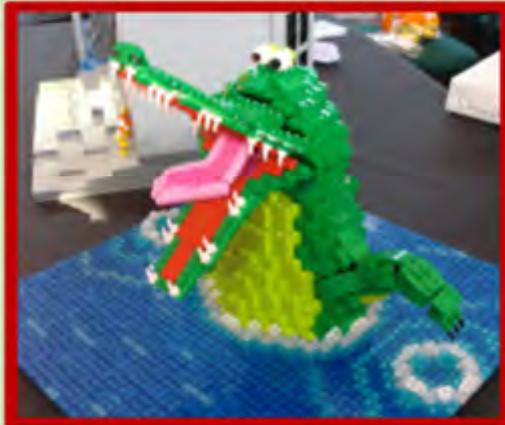


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Tahunanui Sports Grounds  
Sunday 25 November

*Community*

**COLOUR CRAZE**

# *Fun Run*

- 
- 1pm regos
  - 1 km, 3 km & 5 km options
  - **Tickets:** \$6 per person
  - Latino flair, ethnic food, spot prizes
  - Support Emma's Army
  - Wear black or white to get the full burst of colour
  - <https://colourcrazefunrun.eventbrite.co.nz>  
for more info and ticketing



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