# Stadu Term Two 7th June 2018

## **Dear Parents and Caregivers,**

Congratulations to all the students who attended the Eastern Waikato Country Schools Cross Country on Wednesday, especially the 12 year olds who had to run in the heavy rain. Well done to all runners and a big thank you to the parents who provided transport. Thank you to Brent and Matt for organising our team for this event.



#### Wet Weather, Muddy Fields And Children

We ask parents to include a spare set of clothes in students' bags as the mud is already here and we have had a number of "oops" this week. We do have some spare clothes but it does make it easier if they have a change in their own bag. While we try to keep them out of the mud it is not always possible.

#### Health Education Survey.

Every 2-3 years we like to survey families about the types of programmes you would like included in our School Health Curriculum. We have attached a survey form which outlines programmes currently in action and asks you to rate them 1,2 or 3 depending on their importance.

All completed surveys will be entered into a lucky draw for a mystery prize. House points are allocated to each completed form returned.

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this survey.

### Reminder: Teacher Union Meeting Monday 25th June

We remind you that the NZEI (Teachers' Union) are holding a meeting for teachers on 25<sup>th</sup> June at 1:30pm. We ask that you pick students up at 1pm if possible as there will only be a skeleton staff on hand to supervise all students. The bus will run as normal at 3pm.

#### Fieldays-Student Absence

If you are taking your children with you to the Fieldays next week please let the school know. You can ring or send a notice through the school app. As a rural school we believe that attending the Fieldays is an integral part of rural life here in the Waikato therefore the absence is justified. If we are not informed then they are deemed to be truant from school.

#### **Headlice (Nits)**

There are Headlice (Nits) around again and we ask parents to check their children's hair. If you discover headlice or eggs please treat the hair with appropriate shampoo treatments from the chemist. In the Winter we are often inside all day working close together giving them the opportunity to spread.

#### **Hockey News**

The Year 5 & 6 Hockey team had a spectacular game on Saturday. They were playing Te Totora Stormers who were also unbeaten leading into the game. Our students showed great positioning skills on attack and awesome sprinting cover defence. The game ended as a 2 all draw. Amazing effort from the team and we can't wait for this Saturday when we take on the Marion Rebels.

A very late game for the Year 7 & 8 team on Friday night. We had the team warming up at 7.15pm at St Pauls. The team continues to show great improvement setting themselves up for great attacking opportunities that have JUST slipped through our fingers when it comes to finishing. We have 3 more grading games before the Hawks will put all their new skills into action and give it their best during the regular season. Good Luck for this weeks game against Maeroa XI on Friday night.

Week 5 House Winner

**EWCS Cross Country at Porritt Stadium** 









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## **Key Dates For Term 2:**

18th June: PTA Meeting

20th June: Wacky Waffle Wednesday, Epro8

Challenge

21st June: Epro8 Challenge

22nd June: Reports Out
25th June: BOT Meeting
30th June: PTA Quiz Night

3rd—4th July: Parent Learning Conversations

6th July: Term 2 Ends



## Student Of The Week



**Room 1: Gabrielle Scherer** for her determination during Cross-Country training and the event itself.

**Room 2: Leah Hodel** for awesome work with her Writing and Reading.

**Room 3: Connor Davies** for his great noticing skills.

**Room 4: Makuini Wilson** *for her mature responses in Reading.* 

#### ROOM 2 & 3 ZOO TRIP

Room 2 & 3 had a fantastic trip to the Hamilton Zoo last week! We started our trip with an awesome night at the Observatory on Tuesday. We saw the craters very clearly on the moon, Jupiter and some of its moons and we saw Saturn and the rings around it. Thanks to Ian at the Observatory for sharing all his knowledge and time. We had a beautiful supper made by Mrs D, thank you. Wednesday morning we had a yummy breakfast at the Zoo Café. Ken was really amazing in the Zoo Classroom. We learnt about how the Zoo staff keep the animals healthy and entertained. Ken took us to the Zoo kitchen where all the animals meals are made.

A very BIG 'thank you' to all our fantastic parents that helped out on this trip. Thanks to the PTA for our yummy lunch too!

Finally, the biggest thank you goes to our fantastic children. Your behaviour out shone the other school that was there by miles!!!











