



# Newsletter: 6th April 2017

Our school roll 151

## PERSONAL BEST

Brock, Oli, Abbey, Arlo, Mikayla, Reese



## WELLBEING

Libby, Michael



## CONNECTED

All of Room 5, All of Room 6, Charlize, Tessa S, Bradley, Hollie



Dear Parents and friends of our School Hello/Kia Ora/Hola

## Connected Star

A Toko School Learning Star will express their own ideas and understands the ideas of others.

We believe that Connected is built around:

- A sense of belonging and ownership.
- Awareness of how our words and actions affect others.
- Taking on roles and seeking responsibilities.
- Participating and contributing.

It would be great if you could take some time to talk to your children about what the Connected Learning Star looks like in your home and how this compares to school.



## CHALLENGING CURRICULUM



## LEARNING TO LEARN

Matthew, Mason, Caisie, Capri, Luke, Kaitlin



## UPCOMING DATES . . .

**Apr 11: Rural Cluster Athletics**  
**Apr 13: Last Day Term One**  
**May 1: Term 2 Starts**  
**May 16: MONTHly BOT Mtg**  
**June 5: Queens Birthday**  
**June 9: Learning Journey Reports go Home**  
**June 12 - 14: Learning Journey Interviews - Year 4 - 8**  
**June 26: Jones Cup**  
**June 27: Jones Cup PP**

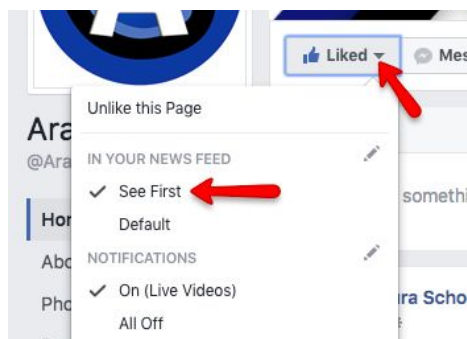
Term dates for 2017 are on our website.  
Check out our google calendar on our website as well.

## Community Notices:

**House for Rent:**  
**Small 4 Bedroom Home Phone Michael 7622639.**  
**The Hits - Easter Hunt**  
**Thursday 6/4/17 Victoria Park Stratford 3.30pm**

### Keeping Up With our posts on

**Facebook** If you are worried about missing an important post from us, here's a tip to make sure you never miss a post again. You can choose to have Toko School posts appear at the top of your news feed! Follow the steps below: Go to the Toko School Facebook page - Find the 'Like' button and click on the drop down arrow - Select News Feed Preferences - select "See First"



# Communication

**Learning Journey Portfolios - Year 1 - 3:** These will be coming home on Friday. Please take the time to read through with your child, comment and return to school before the end of the term.

**Mouth Guards:** If students wish to play rugby on the field they must be wearing a mouth guard. **No mouthguard no play.** These can be purchased from the school office.

**Dropping off your child at school:** Please do not drop your children off out the front of the school. They must be dropped off in the bus turnaround. This is especially important as we head into winter.

**Anzac Assembly:** On the last day of the term all classes will make one wreath each. Each class will need some flowers and foliage to use to put this together. If you can assist by providing this, please do so on the last day of the term. We will be having a very small assembly in the morning if the weather allows.

**Mathletics - Year 3 - 6 & IXL - Year 7 - 8:** Students in these levels now have access to the above online programmes. A note will be coming home, before the end of the term, with some information about this online Maths programme, that can be used at home and school. We are able to provide this programme through funding from TSB Community Trust.

**Kids for Kids:** We are very excited to be able to offer the children the opportunity to sing in a large combined choir. There are some awesome songs, and we will be singing with Nathan King. We will be practicing one lunch-time a week in terms 2 and 3, and then singing with Nathan on 31st October. A letter will be going home with your child, if they wish to be part of this choir, next week. Could you please sign it, along with your child, asking that they are committed to this. There will be opportunities for them to trial out for singing a soloist part as well as playing a ukulele (if your child knows how to play). Any questions, please see Sue Fergus.

## Board of Trustees Updates

**TSB Literacy & Numeracy Grant:** We would like to thank the TSB Community Trust that continues to support Literacy and Numeracy in schools in Taranaki. This year we have received: \$8580.00.

## From the Sports Desk

**Swimming Pool Update:** The pool is now closed. A big thank you to Roy who has done a superb job keeping it clean and well maintained. Keys can be returned and bonds refunded. Alternatively, you can arrange to keep the key by calling Annette in the office.

**Rural Cluster Athletics:** This has been cancelled due to the weather conditions and other school's commitments.

# OUT AND ABOUT IN OUR CLASSROOMS . . .

## Room 5 & 6 Camp to Konini Lodge . . .

It was the second day camp excitement buzzed around like a wasp. First we got our bags packed with all the things we needed like a raincoat a hat ,over trousers and a water bottle. Then we got put in groups my group was me Jessica and Charis with our adult Roxy. Then we started the hike to Dawson falls.

When we started it was mostly flat with steps then it started to get steeper and steeper. It was wonderful all the trees ,ferns and soft moss.

Finally we were at Dawson falls.

When we got there we got a fruit burst,mine was a yellow fruit burst.

Then I started throwing rocks into the water fall. The waterfall was beautiful.

Finally it was time to hike back. On the hike back I saw trees and hen and chicken ferns. Finally we were back at the lodge.

When I got there I changed into some new clothes and changed my shoes.

After that I got into my bed and I just lied there and listened to the birds singing their song. By Hayley M.

It was the second day of camp and we were getting ready to go to dawson falls.The air is chilly but the air is filled with excitement.We were given our adults to guide us to Dawson Falls. I was with Olivia dad alan Jones .In my group I had Olivia,Leah and me. Off we went to dawson falls. We were the leaders of the line. There was lots of steps to go down.Im guessing there was at least 70 steps to go down.It was extra hard for me because i was carrying a bag .Some of the steps were really steep to go down and some of the steps were easy to go down.

Finally we got to Dawson Falls our legs were really tired. I felt excited to be there. In my bag I had a camera and I took some photos of the waterfall. We went over to a couple of rocks. There was so much air coming in.It was like you were in a room with 100 fans. The water was like you were at the beach with your friends and you were splashing each other.

The waterfall could of been at least 50 metres or more.It was time to go back to Konini lodge. We were still in front of the line . As we were walking back I tried to sneak a couple of photos in. We carried on and I was looking at the photos.I didn't realize that I had been to the most awesome place in the world.I felt happy as a minion eating a banana. We finally got back to Konini lodge. I had a awesome time going to Dawson falls. By Tessa S

## LIBRARY BOOKS - HOLIDAY READING

We would really like to encourage you to keep your children reading over the holidays! As a result we will once again open the library up next week for families to come in and issue out 10 books to have at home over the holidays. The library will be open for families from Monday 10th to Wednesday 12th April. We would really love to see Mum's or Dad's coming in to the library with their children to select their 10 books. We will also be requiring all children to keep a reading log over the holidays. The teachers will go over this with the children and they will receive their log on the last day of the term. This time all children will have the option to complete their log in their blog. Reading Logs and holiday library books will need to be returned to school on the first day back after the holidays. If every child reads, or was read to, for 15 minutes each dayX7 days = 105 minutes 2 weeks holiday = 210 minutes per child (31/2 hours of reading time) - WOW! We look forward to seeing you next week in the library selecting books with your children.



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