



*Being the Best We Can Be*

Tena Koutou Katoa

This week we **welcome** Statesman Tunncliffe (Sam) to the Tarata Room. We also welcome Mrs Kumar who is now in the Tarata Room as a teacher aide.

Last week's "**Wow**" award went to Trident for being helpful and diligent with his work. This week's "**Wow**" award went to Sophia for tidy writing and being studious at school.

**Religious Instruction:** In Term 3 R.I will be moved to a lunchtime. You will be given an opportunity to opt your children into this later in the term.

**Student Attendance:** The MOE is now collecting weekly attendance automatically from our student management system. Please note that family holidays are recorded as unjustified as this is what we are required to do. It is important that children attend when they are well but we still ask that children who are sick remain at home. Children can return from tummy bugs 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea. Children can return after covid once they test negative or are symptom free. (generally 5 days)

We thank **Kate Valley** for funding ten new ipads in the Tarata Room.

**Pink Shirt Day:** Children may come to school on Friday wearing mufti featuring pink (or close to pink) The theme for 2024 is "All kinds of Kindness". The meaning behind Pink Shirt Day is to promote kindness, compassion and understanding towards others.

It is to raise awareness about bullying and taking an anti-bullying stance especially in schools.

**Last Friday we hosted approximately 24 teacher** professional development, provided by our Kahui Ako, Tipu Maia consisting of 13 schools. Helen Walls an expert in writing modelled lessons with the Kanuka children. We were very lucky to have this opportunity.

### Canterbury Rams Basketball Visit

On June 6<sup>th</sup> we will be receiving a visit from Lachie Olbrich who is a player from the Canterbury Rams.

Lachie has set a massive basketball goal for himself. He hopes to be chosen for the 2025 NBA draft in the USA. So playing for the Rams this season is an important part of his dream. He had another excellent game on Thursday evening when the Rams played the Taranaki Airs and he scored 22 points, claimed 10 rebounds and 2 assists.

Lachie will talk with the children and then lead two 20-minute skill sessions with the children.

We also have **the opportunity for 8 lucky people** to have a frontside **corporate table at the RAMS game on June 22<sup>nd</sup>**. It would be great to see perhaps 2 adults and 6 children go. If you can organise this and would like to take up this opportunity, please let Mrs Blair know.



Tena Koutou Katoa  
Kind regards  
Yvonne Blair  
*Principal / Tumuaki*

## A few Photos from Today's Ferrymead Visit



A BIG thank you to the parents who provided transport today. Without your support we would not be able to have these trips. The day was a great success as we delved into the life in the 1800's.

### School Calendar 2024

#### Term 2 May

- 16<sup>th</sup> – Ferrymead Visit \*\*
- 17<sup>th</sup> -Pink Shirt Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Canterbury Museum Visit to Waipara School
- 23<sup>rd</sup> BOT Meeting
- 29<sup>th</sup> – Assembly 2:30
- 31<sup>st</sup> – TOD School CLOSED
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kings Birthday School CLOSED
- 11<sup>th</sup> Small Schools Cross Country pp 13<sup>th</sup> \*\*
- 14<sup>th</sup> Playhouse Theatre Omihi \*\*
- 15<sup>th</sup> PTA Meeting 7pm – ALL WELCOME
- 18<sup>th</sup> Kowai Cross Country pp 20<sup>th</sup> 4pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> Canterbury Cross Country
- 27<sup>th</sup> BOT Meeting TBC
- Matariki Breakfast
- 28<sup>th</sup> Matariki School CLOSED
- July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Preschool morning
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Celebration of Leaning 2:15
- 4<sup>th</sup> – House Reward
- 5<sup>th</sup> EOT

\*\*These dates require parent assistance with transport and supervision. Please mark them on your calendar and assist where possible.