

# 15 June 2018

Kia ora koutou

When you receive this newsletter we will have had our Green Gold Celebration from which we will have gathered lots of photos for the final newsletter of the term. There will be such a variety of activities to choose from to showcase the Green Gold Day. In two weeks time, learning conferences will begin between teacher, caregiver and child. Having the learner present is a great opportunity to reinforce progress, achievement and next steps in learning. Please go online or call into the office to set up conference times. We value our partnership with families and look forward to having positive dialogue about your children's learning. The written report will be sent home on the last day of term, 6 July.

Nga mihi  
Kevin Booth

## Issue 10

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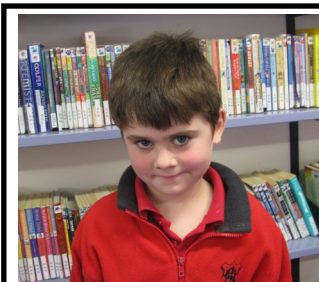
### Congratulations—St Johns Raiders Winners of the Year 1/2 Junior Touch Module 2018



### Kea Crossing



**YES**, the Kea Crossing is still operating on Great North Road. The Walking Wednesdays are also still in operation. Thank you to Seton and Wendy Brown, Pernille Erstad and Wendy Bromley for leading their walking groups.



### Welcome to School

A warm welcome to our latest pupil to join our school family, Caleb Wells. We wish you all the best with your learning at our school.

### NZEI Paid Teachers Union Meeting

There is a paid union meeting for teachers on 27<sup>th</sup> June. We request you pick your children up at 12.30pm please. Teachers will be unavailable for instruction as they will be attending an off-site meeting.

### 2017 Year Six Pupils

Reminder that the 2017 Year Six Pupils have a DVD waiting at the school office for them  
"Class of 2017" St Johns Hill School  
The Last Six Years

### Womble of the Week Robbie Foothead



### Star of the Week Kim Bains



### Virtues Awards

Ka rawe to the following students who were recognised for displaying virtues their teams are focusing on this term.



**Respect:** Nick Burroughs, Jorjah Penn, Jimmy Ye, Sae Nakata, Phoebe Tripe, Ben Karatau, Isabella Boden-Cave, Molly Baskett, Archa Judd, Ada Cox, Kimminder Bains.

**Consideration:** Zoe Wilkins, Harry Wilkinson-Smith, Carter Watkins-Oxtoby, Connor Hovey, Sam Anderson, Rico Adams-Falkner, Jessie Howells.

**Assertiveness:** Charlee Joseph, Galen Moyo.

**Understanding:** Liam Archer, Lily Andrews, Connor McDonald, Hans Martin, Harriet Aplin, Katie McCosh, Zoe Baskett, Zara Brown.

### Creative Writing from our Year 6 Writers Extension Group Words

*Flip.Flop.Slip.Slop.*

*Words, they're all individual they all have a personality  
always thrilling or punishing, happy or miserable  
flying in my head like a royal albatros,  
In my archives of imagination creating a scene  
All in a different space like cogs all with a purpose  
My mother would calm me with them my dad teach.  
When I was little I was always asking "What does that mean?"  
Collecting them as a hunt for the everlasting knowledge of  
communication, they're tools for communication all ingredients for a  
dish of conversation.*

*My parents are always spraying them in the air like a hose  
and at the source the main frame, the circuit, the gold rush, the mind  
By the time I was six I was reading by myself.*

*Now I'm ten and hungry for words  
new finds but an ongoing hunger  
I read lots, maybe every night  
lovingly excitedly needingly  
a necessity...*

Connor Rooke

### Dravuni

*The cruise ship moved steadily, carving a frothy triangle, waves  
lapping gently in the ship's midst. The sun glinted off the navy blue  
water. As the ship sliced through the water, the visitors on board  
caught sight of the island people, watching from the palm trees that  
dotted the sandy beaches. Further inland, the palm trees grew  
thicker until they shrouded the island in bright green treetops. As we  
came ashore, the heat was intense. The sun was beating against our  
skin. Our eyes, unaccustomed to this bright light, took a moment to  
adjust.*

Peter Adams



### Acknowledgement

A \$500 voucher redeemable at Paper Plus has been donated by the "Grumpy Old Men" group.



Mrs Brown and the student librarians are most grateful for the generous donation and look forward to shopping at Paper Plus.

### PTA Fundraiser

Please remember to get your pie orders in by next Wednesday (20 June). If you're paying by bank transfer please submit one payment for all orders. This year the PTA will be supporting the school's ambitions for providing more ICT equipment and Chromebooks for the children and their learning environment. Thank you in advance for your support.



### Smiley Dental

Smiley dental mobile will be on site at St Johns Hill School from next Monday 18 June—6 July. These 3 weeks will only be for treating a small group of children already identified. The Smiley van will return for all of Term 4 when the entire school will be seen.

### Games and Toys at School

We have noticed many games and toys are coming to school from home. These are giving the students endless amounts of fun and problem solving opportunities, like sharing, taking turns and negotiating when problems arise. However, with this comes other sorts of problems that are more challenging to solve. Please realise that we are unable to control all of the swaps, games and any loss of equipment. Students bring these at their own risk. Many thanks for your co-operation.



**REPLAY**  
recycled sports gear

### Have you got any new or used sports gear you're no longer using?

REPLAY is a community organisation collecting new & used sports gear to pass onto local active kids in the Whanganui community who may not be able to access their own.

St John's Hill School is kindly supporting REPLAY, a collection bin will be located next to the school noticeboard between now and the end of Term 2.

We'd appreciate any donation of sports gear such as rugby balls, basketballs, netballs, footballs, hockey sticks, rugby/football boots, shin pads etc that are still in a good, re-useable condition. Please see their website for further information.

Thank you!

[www.replay.org.nz](http://www.replay.org.nz)

### Teacher/Student/Parent Conferences

**Thursday 28th June 1.30pm - 5.45pm**

**Monday 2nd July 1.30pm - 5.45pm**

Parents are asked to go online to book an interview with their child's teacher. Please follow the steps below when booking and leave a time between your interviews. This allows time to move to the next teacher, and if there are any hold-ups. Note that students attend these interviews. There will be an opportunity if you wish, for the parent to speak privately with the teacher in the later part of the interview. Once students have completed their part in the conference they are asked to go to the Information Centre until you collect them after the interview. Other siblings waiting are also asked to wait in the Information Centre. Supervision will be provided.

### Online Booking

**No 1:** Log on to the site below: [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)

**No 2:** Enter the School Event Code: **62bun**

**No 3:** Enter your name, your child's name and your email address

**No 4:** On the next page, select the year then choose from the list of teachers

**No 5:** You will see a timetable showing when your chosen teachers are available. Simply click on the times that suit you. **(Remember to leave a time between your interviews if you have to make more than one time).**

**Note:** If you do not have access to the internet please ring the School Office 349-1750 and we will make an interview time for you.

### Early Finish for Conferences

Please note that **all** children will not be required from **12.30pm on Thursday 28th June and Monday 2nd July**. Please ensure that suitable arrangements are made to collect and care for your children at these times. Your help and support is appreciated.

### Mid Year Reports

After the conference, draft reports will be amended to include any additions from the interview. Mid year reports will be sent home on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July.