

# Soaring to Success

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## Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava

We are now half way through the first term of 2017. It already seems like a very busy term with testing all done, a very successful whole school camp and swimming. Senior swimming is to be held tomorrow at Marton School and we are looking forward to this event. Later this term we have our athletics and so this will start in the classes from next week. All children will need to bring suitable clothing and footwear to participate in these events. They will be running, jumping or throwing, and will need a water bottle every day.

Clifton School is a SunSmart school and has a policy of wearing hats in terms 1 and 4. It is essential that all children wear a bucket hat here at school, and caps and other hats from home will need to be replaced with a navy blue bucket hat. Children will have to wear a hat whenever they are outside, including interval and lunch. If they do not have a hat, they will be required to remain in the shade and out of the sun. Please check that your child has a bucket hat, if not, they are only \$5.00 from our school office or you can purchase a navy blue bucket hat from stores such as The Warehouse or The Clearance Shed in Palmerston North.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Jack Zwart (Mrs Standish's husband) who spent many hours building woodwork tables for the children to use here at school. They have come complete with tools, wood and nails. The children were very excited to have a go with these tools on Friday and spent time building the tool box with Mr Zwart. We would also like to thank Smith & Sons who supplied nails and screws, and PlaceMakers and Goldpine Feilding who both supplied wood. If you have any spare old wood at home that you no longer need, we have a box by the junior playground where your old off-cut pieces can be put. These will then be used by the children to bang and saw with.

As we head into the second half of the term, children will still need to bring swim gear to school every day just in case the weather permits swimming. Even though looking out the window today isn't as appealing, I am sure that between now and the end of term there will be some days where the children would love to swim.

Have a good week and we are looking forward to swimming sports tomorrow.

*Adrian Burn, Principal*



Room 5 students improve their skills with a memory game

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday 8 March.....	Snr swim sports @ Marton
Thursday, 16 March.....	Cluster swimming sports
Friday 17 March.....	School assembly hosted by Rm2
Wednesday 22 March.....	Scholastic orders due
Friday 7 April.....	Cluster athletics
Thursday 13 April.....	End of term 1
Monday 1 May.....	Start of term 2
Friday 7 July.....	End of term 2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Monday 24 July.....	Start of term 3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Friday 29 September.....	End of term 3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Monday 16 October.....	Start of term 4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Friday 15 December.....	End of term 4

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Tegan (Rm5) will be 9 this Thursday;  
Charlize (Rm8) turns 12 on Friday;  
Brieanna (Rm2) is 6 on Saturday;  
and Myley (Rm7) turns 10 on Sunday.  
Next Monday, Hayze and Tia (Rm3)  
will both be 7.

Nga mihi nui i to ra whanau.  
Wishing you many happy returns of  
the day.

## Most Valuable Pupil

ROOM 1: Zander Herdson for a great start at Clifton School.

ROOM 2: Charlie Ramese for fantastic floating in the pool and for his enjoyment of swimming.

ROOM 3: Carolyn-Rose Ngaau-Harnett for having her listening ears turned on all week.

ROOM 4: William Ayers for great progress and enthusiasm in writing.

ROOM 5: Elliott Sharp for producing thoughtful and meaningful writing.

ROOM 7: Sara Connelly for amazing progress in long division.

ROOM 8: Matthew Pryce for great math.

### Miller has lost his hat

Miller has lost his blue, snap-back hat which is named and has "Bulls" printed on it. If found, could you please return to our school office.

### Run, Ride 'n' Slide

Sport Manawatu are hosting a kids' triathlon on Thursday, 16 March 2017. Course distances are:

- Ages 4 to 6: Run 300m, ride 500m, and slip 'n' slide
- Ages 7 to 9: Run 700m, ride 1km, and slip 'n' slide
- Ages 10 to 12: Run 1.1kms, ride 1.5kms, and slip 'n' slide

Where: Timona Park, Simon Street, Feilding. When: First race starts at 5:00pm. Cost: \$2.00 entry. Register online at [www.sportmanawatu.org.nz/event/run-ride-n-slide](http://www.sportmanawatu.org.nz/event/run-ride-n-slide) or for more information, contact [jessicag@sportmanawatu.org.nz](mailto:jessicag@sportmanawatu.org.nz).

### Breakfast club has begun

Breakfast Club is now underway with Weetbix served in the kitchen by Room 8 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:25am to 8:45am. Parents, any help would be gratefully accepted.

### Did you know? (from our Parent's Handbook)

Education is a partnership between home and school. It would be appreciated if children were sent to school with a current 'warrant of fitness' which includes:

- Plenty of sleep. We can't work with children who have watched too much TV or stayed up late - 10 hours sleep for primary children is recommended.
- To be well fed! Children can't learn when they do not have a balanced diet with regular meal times. Breakfast is essential before a six hour school day. We run a Breakfast Club from 8:25am three times a week where the children can get a bowl of Weetbix. Children need both mid-morning and lunch time food and drinks.
- To be secure. Children need reassurance and to have realistic expectations from their parents.
- To have a positive attitude. If children expect good things to happen at school in all areas of learning, they will have a keen and sparkling approach to their day. Don't dull this with your worries, fears and niggles!
- To have the correct gear. Comfortable uniform, stationery, lunch, library books. Don't let children ring you to bring things. We encourage independence and self-organisation.
- To be on time. Social things happen before school and children who come late are disadvantaged. They are not ready for the day's learning and playing.

### Mike and Jo looking for your support

Mike and Jo are participating in the Central Plateau Scooter Challenge to help raise funds for Camp Quality, which is a voluntary organisation providing fun for kids living with cancer. ALL funds will be given to Camp Quality. If you would like to give a little online at: <https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/cpscooterchallenge> (look for the smiley face with a yellow background).

Cheques can be made to Camp Quality, and cash donations will be given to Camp Quality on 25 March. You are also welcome to join Mike and Jo - just BYO scooter!

### Competition closes this Friday

Do you have a great idea for names for our new bovine family? Do you want to win great prizes? Then complete an entry form, return it to our school office by Friday, 10 March 2017, and check the following Tuesday's newsletter for results. Good luck!

**FEILDING UNITED AFC  
FOOTBALL 2017  
JUNIOR  
REGISTRATION**

Registrations are welcomed from new and returning players aged 4 to 13 years.  
**ONLINE REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN**  
For the link, visit our Facebook page:  
- Feilding United AFC -  
Or email [feildingunitedjuniors@gmail.com](mailto:feildingunitedjuniors@gmail.com)

**AT THE CLUBROOMS, TIMONA PARK**  
Saturday 4 March 10 am - Noon  
Saturday 11 March 10 am - Noon \*  
\*Free date for registrations

**Subs - to be paid at time of registration**  
4th-6th grades \$30 • 7th-8th grades \$40  
9th-13th grades \$70

Email enquiries:  
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Room 3 kids enjoy making things with the new woodwork tables. Thanks again to Mr Zwart, Smith & Sons, PlaceMakers and Goldpine Feilding.