

Kia ora e te whānau

For all the mums out there, I hope you had a lovely Mother's Day filled with warmth and appreciation.

I wanted to take a moment to say a huge thank you for your support during our recent cross-country events. Thank you for taking the time to be here cheering your children on from the sidelines. Your support is truly invaluable, and it's what makes our community so special. Also, a big thank you to Ryan McGarry for his organisation of this very successful event.

Matariki

Our school-wide inquiry focus for the coming term is Matariki.

Matariki, also known as the Māori New Year, holds significant cultural and astronomical importance in Aotearoa/New Zealand. It marks the rising of the Pleiades star cluster and is a time for reflection, celebration, and new beginnings.

Throughout this inquiry, students across all year levels will have the opportunity to explore various aspects of Matariki, including its cultural significance, traditional practices, and connections to astronomy and the natural world. Our aim is to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of Matariki within our school community while honoring the rich cultural heritage of Aotearoa.

We encourage parents and caregivers to support their child's learning journey by discussing Matariki at home and sharing any cultural traditions or knowledge they may have.

Hub newsletters will provide you with more detailed information about what is happening in your child's area of the school.

### From the PTSG

The P.T.S.G are excited to announce that for Term 2, they plan to hold a Sausage Sizzle instead of the usual Pizza Lunch. This will be held on Friday, May 17 at 1:00 pm.

- Sausages are \$3.00 each OR 2 for \$5.00 -

You can order online with Kindo, which will be open between Thursday, May 9 - Thursday, May 16.

Brought to you by your friendly P.T.S.G Committee.

### What's coming up.....

- Friday 17 May -
  - Pink Shirt Day (more details to follow)
  - PTSG sausage sizzle
- Tuesday May 28 - School Board Hui 6pm
- Wednesday May 29 - PTSG Hui
- Monday 3 June - King's Birthday (Public Holiday)
- Tuesday 4 June - Teacher Only Day
- Thursday 27 June - Matariki Celebrations - (more details to follow)
- Tuesday 2 July - School Board Hui 6pm
- Friday 5 July - End of Term 2

Ngā mihi nui

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