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Term 4 No 3

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From the Desk of the Principal

Dear Sara Cohen community,

Hi I hope that you are all well and enjoying the fine weather.

I have been looking over the Seesaw posts that have been going out to parents and caregivers. I am very impressed by the effort that some classes are making to convey information to whanau. It's so heart-warming to see goals being reported on in real time and back and forth conversations between parents, students, teachers, support staff and therapists. This will allow a much more authentic experience and insight into the learning that is happening here at Sara Cohen School. A huge thank you to Anna for the work she has done around this. Remember that this reporting format is in lieu of formal half yearly and end of year reports. We found that we had about a 30% engagement rate with the formal reports and near 100% with those who have signed up to Seesaw. If you haven't signed up your child's teacher will be in touch with you.

We will not proceed with our Friday night disco on the 19th of November. This is because we feel that we could not logistically conform with the vaccine mandate put in place from the 15th of November. From midnight the 15th everyone who works in an education and health setting must be double vaccinated. This mandate will be observed by Sara Cohen School and as a result of this we will not have the evening disco. Instead we will arrange a dance party at school for the students. For the same reasons, we will also not have our end of year family BBQ at school. Instead this will be only for students and staff. The leavers assembly will be by invitation only. Families of leaving students will be allowed on site for this event. Hopefully we will not have to endure these difficulties for much longer and very soon we can get back to normality. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

We have an action packed end of year planned that will be exciting for everyone. Please remember that the 14th of December is a teacher only day and the last day of instruction for students is Monday the 13th of December.

Many thanks
Matt

HEADLICE

We have been notified that there are headlice around in some classes. Please check your child/children and treat if lice are present. Please contact the Office if you would like more information or treatment tips.

COMING UP

Adventure Week – 29th November – 3rd December
Leavers Assembly– Monday 13th December, 11.30 – 12pm
Tuesday 14th December – Teacher Only Day

TERM DATES 2021

Term 4: Monday 18th October – Monday 13th
December

ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent, please make sure you contact the school to let us know. The absence line number is 03 4558347 extension 1. If we have not heard from you contact will be made to determine the whereabouts of your child. This is a very important safety matter for us all.

Term Dates 2022

- Term 1: Monday 31st January - Thursday 14th April
- Monday 31st January – Teacher Only Day
 - Tuesday 1st February – Teacher only Day
 - Wednesday 2nd February – Students Start
 - Waitangi Day observed - Monday 7th February
 - Otago Anniversary Day - Monday 21st March
 - Good Friday – Friday 15th April
- Term 2: Monday 2nd May - Friday 8th July
- Queen's Birthday – Monday 6th June
 - Matariki – Friday 24th June
- Term 3: Monday 25th July – Friday 30th September
- Term 4: Monday 17th October – Wednesday 14th December
- Labour Day – Monday 24th October

WANTED – Fabric Scraps for Christmas decoration making. Please send to the Office.

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