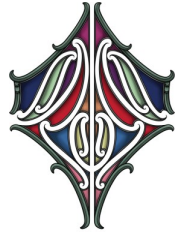




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Awards

Well done to Lilly, Rocco, Jamie and Lola for amazing work done throughout the last week. Tumeke award to Kotaana and Haamiora.



Winter Fest Thursday 9 July

This year we are planning a stall, to try to increase visibility of our school. Alongside a pictorial display of our school, we will also be selling lucky dips, glow in the dark items, and hosting a cake sale. We would really, REALLY appreciate support in the cake sale. We would love for each family to supply 6 cupcakes or similar (e.g. 6 portions of a slice, a small cake or loaf cake etc). Since it is the holidays, we would also need to arrange for you to either drop these at school on the day, or meet us in town (if you are coming in).

As you can appreciate, it is essential to know who is able to commit to this, and also who is able to come on the night. Next week, we will be sending every family a personal email, and ask you please to reply to it, either way.

With much thanks,

Evon and the team.

Dates for Your Diary

24 June (pp 1 July)	Year 5/6 Bhana cup tournament—TSB hub
2 July	Cluster Kapa haka (Patea Area School)
3 July	Matariki Breakfast at school 8:30am Last day of Term 2
20 July	First day of Term 3
31 August (pp 1 Sept)	Cross Country (Kakaramaea School) Selection only basis—details to follow
Saturday 19th September	Pet Day
24 September	Last Day of Term (25 Sept day off in lieu for Sat 19 Sept– Pet Day)

Coats.

Our winter days are becoming particularly chilly, and the wind on our hill is making playtimes feel colder than it is in the mornings. Please remind children to bring a warm coat each day, even if the weather appears mild at drop-off, as many students are feeling cold during outdoor breaks.

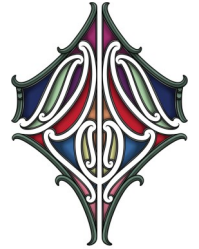
A reminder that **Kids Can photos** will be taken on **Tuesday**. Please ensure children bring their coats on that day.



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TV ADS

We are going to be advertising our school in local businesses, through the TV adverts (e.g. at the doctors, cafes etc). Please sign and return the release form as soon as possible so that we can get this live promptly. Please be aware that no names or child quotes will be used in the adverts—photo and video shots only.

Spellings

Junior Class	Junior Class	Senior Class— April/Sharni's group	Senior Class— Mrs. Hodge's group	Senior Class— Level 6
Here	be	bigger	interact	queue
Put	Because	sadder	internet	recognise
go	Before	gladder	interlock	recommend
Yes	bee	hottest	intermediate	relevant
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Juniors



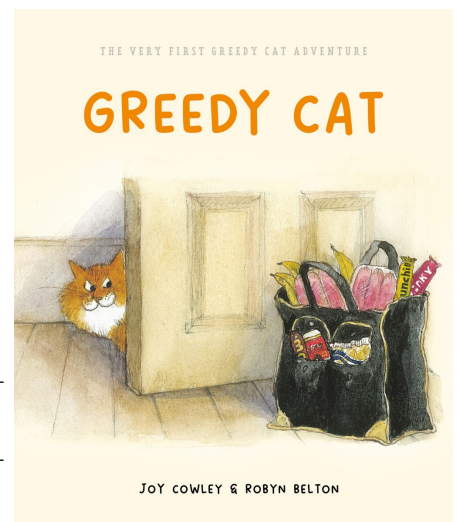
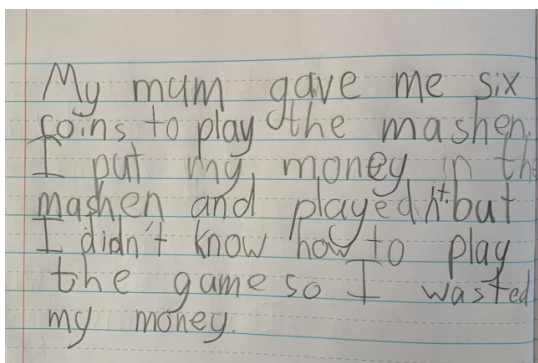
This week we have been continuing to learn about fractions, focusing on equivalent fractions, like $\frac{2}{4}$ is the same as one half. We have also been adding fractions and learning about the numerator (number on the top) and denominator (number on the bottom).

We have also been focusing on our doubles and halves, ten times tables and division tables.

For big book this week, we read Greedy Cat. We have been looking at putting items in a list and learning how to expand our writing of recounts. We have been trying to add detail and make them more interesting. Our phonics this week was "ow" as in "cow;" and "brown" and the Year 1 phonics was "v" and "y" (which they learned brilliantly, considering how few things begin with these sounds).

For PE, we did ball/tennis skills in the tennis court. In music, we are still focusing on rhythm— we were

making up our own rhythms and performing them to each other with percussion instruments. In social sciences we were learning about why adventurers choose to come to New Zealand. We also reviewed trading and start of towns.

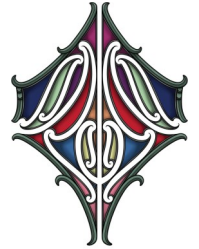




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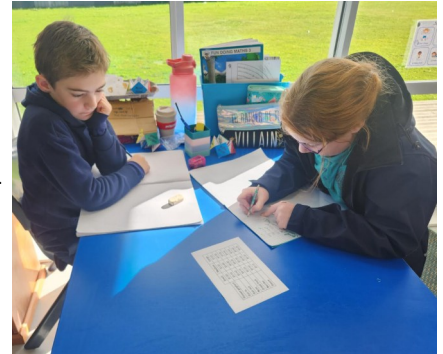
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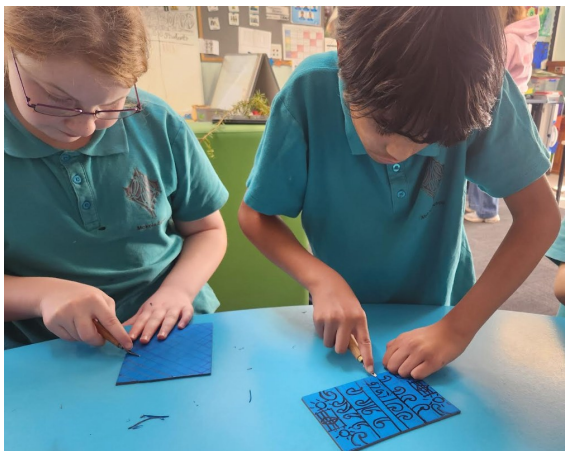


Seniors

This week in reading, we read the book *Love That Dog* by Sharon Creech. This story is written in free verse poetry and follows a student, Jack, as he learns about poetry and also processes the loss of his dog, Sky. We really loved seeing how Jack put together his poems and grew throughout the book, and we will be digging further into this book in the rest of the term (and even writing a few of our own poems!). We also are wrapping up our personal narratives; some are still working on their final draft, but everyone has written excellent stories! A final copy will be sent home for families to read, and will also be saved in the learning journals.



In maths, we have continued practicing our addition skills. We are gaining confidence using the column method! It's trickier to add numbers when we have to carry a ten over into the next place, but some of us have thought about it as "leveling up," which has helped us to know what to do with the numbers when they get too big in a certain place. We started looking at subtraction on Friday, and will work on using the column method with subtraction next week.



We have worked hard this week to experiment with our lino art pieces! The designs that students have come up with are very creative, and we are getting more comfortable with cutting into the lino carefully. Some of us have reached the printing stage of our process! We will continue refining our designs and printing next week.

