

## 6) 2017 Year 8 Awards

This year we had the introduction of two new awards. 'Excellence in the Arts' donated by the Cutler family and 'Excellence in Science' donated by Far North Vets. Here are the winners of this years awards.



The Mainfreight Award for  
Excellence in Attitude  
Most Improved  
Rylee Brown



Academic Award  
Service & Contribution  
Jahzara Takimoana



Sportsperson  
Robbie Dawson



Sportsperson  
Excellence In Arts  
Waimitikia Perene



Excellence In Maori  
Summer Hoani



Excellence In Science  
Karn Godfrey

Dear Parents/Caregivers, Tena Koutou Katoa

### 1) Snapped Ya! of the Week

'Snapped Ya!' is a PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) initiative. The PB4L focus for this week has been on all our school values. **Pipi Jobe, Brandon Lunjevich, Garnet Berghan, Lennox Goodhue-Wikitera, Rollin Pure, Ava Mullins, Kash Hape, Bailey Kovacevich-Adams, Iziah Gurnick-Wilson and Milly Andrew** were the lucky 'Snapped Ya!' for week 9. Congratulations to you all.



### 2) Celebrating Success

This week in the 'Celebrating Success' spotlight we have **Ani Wairepo**. Ani has just recently gained a certificate of participation in a 'Teacher Aide Training Programme'. This programme has helped her with her Teachers Aide position at our school this year. This course has given her confidence to study next year towards a 'Certificate in Teacher Aiding'. Congratulations Ani on your awesome achievement.



### 3) Garden Blessing

Today we had our garden blessed and our signage unveiled by **Papa Eru Harawira**. It was a beautiful service enjoyed by all.



#### 4) Classroom Awards

##### Excellence in Attitude and Effort



Room 1  
Sundown  
Cosner



Room 2  
Azanjah  
Peterson



Room 8  
Pounamu  
Petera-Neeson



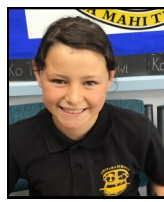
Room 7  
Shannnon-Jo  
Pene



Room 6  
Kate  
Hammond



Room 9  
Taine  
Phillips



Room 9  
Shyla-Jade  
Goodhue-Wikitera



Room 5  
Garnet  
Berghan



Room 4  
Justyce  
Selwyn



Room 3  
Waiata  
Harrison

#### 5) Most Improved Academic Performance



Room 1  
Milly  
Andrews



Room 2  
Summah  
Pene



Room 8  
Jai  
Jellick



Room 8  
Michael  
Brown



Room 7  
Hemi  
Tattersall



Room 6  
Teal  
Mallett



Room 9  
Chase  
Jones



Room 5  
Terina  
Tipene-Herbert



Room 4  
Holly  
Parker-Johnston



Room 3  
Cyrus  
Wiremu-Munu

#### 6) Construction Work Around the School

There will be work happening around the school over the summer break. Room 9 and 10 will be modernised ready for next term. More exciting news, on the **15th January 2018** construction starts on our playground. Our new Junior playground will be also up and ready to be used next term.

Kia Ora,  
Jackie Osborne  
Tumuaki/Principal

**Have a safe and happy holidays.  
Season Greetings to you all!**

A reminder that school closes tomorrow **Friday 15th December** at the usual time of 2.45pm for the Christmas break and will reopen on **Thursday 1st February 2018**. All staff will be present on **Tuesday and Wednesday 30th & 31st January** for teacher preparation days should you wish to obtain any information on the school, to enrol children, etc.

#### A few last words for 2017

*What is most important for a school? It is the students. A school's most valuable asset? It is the staff. A school's strength? It is the community.*

I would like to sincerely acknowledge the work that our staff have done this year in terms of teaching and learning. As I look back on the 2017 school year I can say it has been vastly rewarding to see our pupils' achievements in the academic, social and sporting arenas. I would also like to thank the BoT, P.T.A. and all the people who have assisted our students and staff in any way this year. I would like to wish everyone a safe and joyful Christmas holiday period.

#### Holiday Reading

Read lots of books in the holidays!!! If you read books on 10 days you will get a free swim. If you read books on 20 days you will get a swim and a balloon. If you read books on 30 days you will get a swim, balloon and another surprise when you get back to school. You can read any of your home books. You can join the town library for free and get books from there. You can read a chapter from a book. You can read one of your school books. You can read the same book twice if you want to. The more you read the better you will get!! **Have fun with your books.**

#### Looking After our School

When passing school: - Please cast an eye over the school facilities to check that all users are being careful with our property. We like to see our facilities being used sensibly and safely but ignoring careless or dangerous behaviour just seems to encourage it. Any money we spend repairing damage by a few inconsiderate users is less we can spend positively.