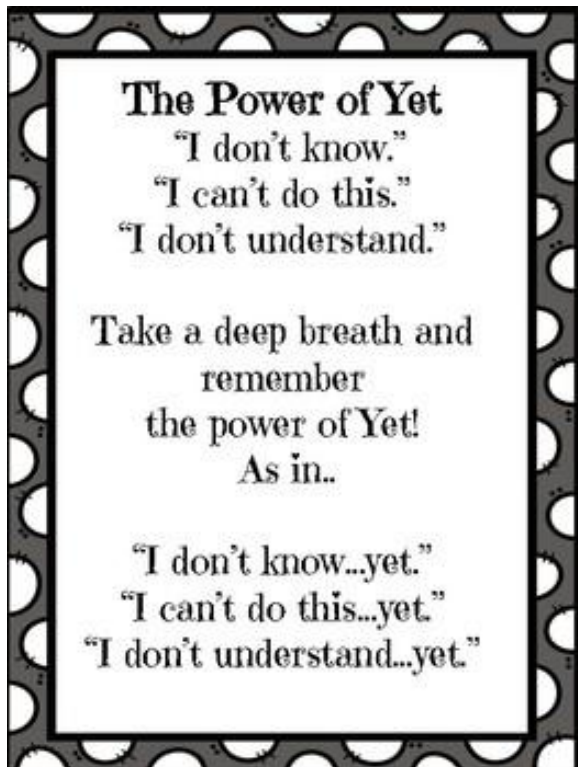


*Kia ora katoa*



*I believe that one of the greatest gifts we can give our children is the gift of encouragement; to be able to support, inspire, admonish and hearten our children's efforts as they give things a go.*

*It's the power of the little word "yet." In a world of wanting what we want, when we want, it expresses our required patience and belief in one's self or another person's abilities to realize that some things are worth waiting for and those things take work, time and don't always come in the form of anything that could be remotely easy.*

*Try adding 'yet' next time your child tells you that something is too hard, or they can't do it.*

*That subtle shift will open your child to a whole new world of opportunities!*

*"The moment we believe that success is determined by an ingrained level of ability as opposed to resilience and hard work, we will be brittle in the face of adversity" ~Joshua Waitzkin (Child Chess Master)*



**Congratulations...**

Last Sunday at the Stratford Trots Kara got 3rd, 2nd and 4th at Kidz Kartz Khan also gave it a go!

Haylee and Holly have both been selected to represent Central Taranaki in the Under 12 Rep Soccer team.

**Our School Values**

*Living and Learning with RESPECT*

**R**elationships -

*respecting self and others*

**E**mpathy –*kindness, caring and looking after each other*

**S**ustainability –

*protecting our environment for others to enjoy*

**P**erseverance -

*always trying, and staying positive*

**E**xcellence – *strive for excellence always in all we do*

**C**uriosity – *know more, ask questions, enjoy discovering*

**T**hinking – *critical problem solving, innovative, creative*

**Dates for the Diary**

**14 March**

Turnbull Cup Doors open

6.15pm racing begins

6.50pm

**16 March**

Mufti Day

Student Council visit to

Stratford Mayor

**20 March**

EnviroTeam to Rotokare

**23 March**

PTA Twilight Gala

5pm

**28 March**

Weetbix Tryathlon

**30 March**

Good Friday

**2 & 3 April**

Easter Break

**5 & 6 April**

EPro 8 challenge

**9<sup>th</sup> April**

Athletics @ Toko

**13 April**

Last day Term 1

## School news

Welcome to our youngest learners Mason & Connor in Mahana Room, and to Jack & London and their parents.

### Chocolate Fundraiser



Once again we are selling chocolate. If you are able to sell a box on behalf, please see Jenny in the office. Two types this year – All Stars Box \$2 a bar, \$60 a box (including moro, flake, perky nana, crunchie etc.) or chocolate bars \$2.50 a bar, \$60 a box. We also have a few boxes of healthier options – Bliss Balls, in a variety of flavours, selling at \$3 a packet, \$60 a box. **These will all be on sale at the Gala next Friday evening.**

Money raised from the annual sale of chocolate bars is used to offset the cost of buses to various venues as well as cover the costs of children's activities and assist with senior camp costs.

### Mufti Day

This Friday – 16<sup>th</sup> March. Theme is 'Bright and Colourful'. Each child is asked to bring something that can be contributed to a 'Kid's Raffle' to sell at the Gala for the Student Council.

### Swimming Celebration

On Thursday 15 March we will be having a fun swimming sports in our school pool to conclude our swimming season. We plan to start swimming at approx 1:30pm with Ruapehu (7), Ngauruhoe (6) and Whio (5). Rooms Mahana (2), Pukeko (3) and Piwakawaka (4) will begin swimming at 2:15 pm. Children may dress up in their house colours but must wear their uniform shirt to school and change at lunchtime. Parents are welcome to come and watch and support as well. A reminder that children will need:

Togs, Towel, Warm Clothing (in their House colour), goggles if needed, **and a positive attitude**

*By Sports Captains, Luci and Michael*

Turnbull Cup tonight at Stratford Pool – 6.30pm warm up for swimmers with racing starting at 6.50pm. programmes available at the door \$1 Raffles for sale.

**Good Luck to our Ngaere swimmers!**

### Student Council

The Student Council group will be visiting the Mayor of Stratford on Friday. Thank you to Mr Volzke for giving up his time to meet with the group. They will be accompanied by Mrs James.

### Enviro Team

Next Tuesday the Enviro team will be attending an Enviro day at Lake Rotokare with students from other Enviro schools around Taranaki. Miss Hey will be accompanying the group.

**An Information Evening about Boarding at New Plymouth Boys' High School** for prospective students and parents. Venue: Normanby Hall Date: Wednesday, 21 March 2018 Time: 7.00pm Light refreshments will be available at the conclusion. Hostel Open Day - Tuesday, 10 April 2018 Please register attendance with Dawn Eaton - dawn.eaton@npbhs.school.nz or phone 06 757 6116

## PTA Twilight Gala – 23<sup>rd</sup> March @ 5pm

**Plenty to do and see at the gala!**

We will be requesting baking for the gala! A plastic bag and plate will be sent home next Wednesday for you to fill and return!

**GROCERY ITEMS** – this is always a very popular raffle! Please send along a couple of grocery items to make this raffle a success! By Friday please!

Helpers needed! Please see any PTA lady or talk to Megan or Jenny if you can help on the night.