

7 July 2021

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Kia ora Glen Oroua whānau.

It has been empowering for us to have Anjie Webster from Generation Online in our kura the last two days, and to hear that generally our students are not 'normal' in terms of their time spent online, their internet usage, knowing how to get help for cyber problems at school, and importantly the supports our parents have in place for their internet or device usage. Our students are generally using the internet, and have supports in place, that are perceived as ways that keep them safe in the internet space. A takeaway for me was that we need to prepare our students for potential problems they might come across on the internet before they happen, so they know how to respond. I will share the summary of the parent session that some families



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attended yesterday on Seesaw, which has some great links to resources to support parents in this age of parenting with the internet.

On Friday students' mid year reports, or learning summaries, will come home with them. It has been my pleasure to read the reports, and notice many comments about students' growing abilities academically and in their attitudes towards their learning along with the part they can play in that. We have set 3 way learning conferences for Week 8 of next term, to allow for another check in or update on progress. If you have any questions or wish to discuss your child's report, please be in touch with your child's teacher at the start of Term 3.

A number of our families have been battling a chesty virus over the last couple of weeks, and I hope the school break will be a time of rest and recovery for all (along with a good dose of fun).

Mā te wā/Until then, Francie

Performing Arts Showcase - At the end of Term 3, on Thursday 30 September we will be hosting our Performing Arts Showcase at the Globe Theatre in Palmerston North. This will include a number of class, school and individual acts, and a number of you will remember what a great night our last one was, two years ago. If your child (any age) would like to sing, dance, orate, act, or play an instrument - individually or as part of a wider group - get them practicing over the holidays as auditions will be held in the first few weeks of next term. If there are any adults in our community who have a talent they would like to share at our showcase, or would like to support some of these students to develop their performances next term, please be in touch. A little mentoring from an adult sharing their craft can have a big impact on a young person!

Thank You to Grant Love for fixing one of the gates. We really appreciated that you say need and offered to help. Thanks!

School Shirts - If anyone has a school shirt of could you please return before the end of

Clothing - please check the lost property c library when you are next at school.

Heated Lunches - we will still be heating lu term.

Wheels Day! Our Year 7&8 Leadership Team are organising a Wheels Day for the last day of term (Friday). Students can bring along their bikes. scooters, skate/ boards and zoom around our courts and the track on the field during breaks and in the afternoon on Friday 9 July. Helmets will be a must for those on bikes.

Manawatu Oroua Girls & Boys Agricultural Club Garden Trophy -Last week we were presented with this trophy for having the most students growing vege gardens in the Manawatu Oroua competition. What great life-long skills to be developing. Information about the Garden Competition comes out in the handbook with the Lamb & Calf Day competition, and is a Term 4 competition run from about Labour Weekend until the end of term.

**Cross Country Trophies** - Our cross country is a traditional school event that includes significant preparation or training time at school, and for some at home. Anna Hunter & Chris Will are kindly donating two trophies, for the Year 7&8 Boys and Girls. We would love to be able to award trophies for each gender and in each of the other grades - Year 0-2, Year 3-4, Year 5-6. If your family would like to donate a trophy, or inquire about pricing of them, please see Francie.

Football Coach Wanted! Next term on Friday 20th August is the Te Kawau Cluster Football competition. This is just a few short weeks after the holidays, so would love anyone who is keen to coach our great kids a lunchtime or two a week up until that date to be in touch with Francie.

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