



Wednesday 14 October 2020

www.sis.school.nz

Principal: *Taitu'uga* Geoff Si'ave

*Kia Ora , Talofa, Greetings, Namaste, Kamusta, Guten Da Bula, Bore da,
Konichi Wa, Anyoung haseyo, Malo e lelei, Salaam Alaikum*

As we enter a very busy last term on a very *different* school year we need to keep smiling and keep looking out for each other. As a school we're looking forward to our building projects finally beginning. We're also looking forward to our focus on Planet Earth and Beyond. There will be a lot happening so it's important to keep informed.

Parent /Caregiver Survey During the term break we emailed a survey to the main email address for each child's parent/caregiver. Several families had no email address recorded, and several emails bounced back. **Please make sure we have your correct email address and your contact phone number if you've changed it this year.**

Health Education Consultation

Thursday 15th October at 5pm in Matai Learning Base or via Zoom at 6pm

Section 60B of the Education Act 1989 (as amended in 2001) requires the **board to consult with the school community at least once every two years on how the school will implement the health education** component of the curriculum.

Board of Trustees consult with their community in order to:

- Inform the school community about the content of the health curriculum.
- Ascertain the wishes of the school community regarding the way in which the health curriculum should be implemented, given the views, beliefs, and customs of the members of that community.
- Determine, in broad terms, the health education needs of the students at the school.

Meeting Agenda:

1. *Draft* SIS Health Curriculum

Term	Topics	Aspects
1	FIRE Values Mental Health	Understanding the school values, emotional regulation, zones of regulation, anxiety, tools and strategies, mindfulness.
2	Healthy Relationships	Anti-bullying, connection, strengths/interests, peer pressure, friendships.
3	Social and self Awareness	Cyber Safety, DARE, body image and appearance, social media.
4	Our Amazing Body	Sexuality Education, brain development, nutrition, Food for Thought, anatomy.

2. Discussion- A specific area of focus for discussion in the Health Curriculum is the sexuality component. The Sexuality Education programme we propose to teach was developed by the Ministry of Education. The following **themes** will be covered: Exploring Self, Changing Me, Me and the World

Parents are able to have their children withdrawn from this component of the curriculum by writing a formal letter to the Principal asking that their child not be included in this. The due date for this is **Friday 23rd October**.

We value your input and feedback and look forward to seeing you on Thursday.

For those joining us by Zoom the link is [here](#).

Join Zoom Meeting - Meeting ID: 736 3108 0616 Passcode: n7rEA1

Top Team Challenge

On **Friday 23rd October** from 1:25pm, the students will be involved in the Top Teams Challenge run by Sports Canterbury. This is a fun afternoon where students participate in a range of activities. Water is involved so students may get wet. They are advised to **bring a spare change of clothes and a towel**. Parents are welcome to attend. We will finish slightly later that day as the Prize Giving will be at 2:50pm. This day is also a mufti day.



Mufti Day Friday 23rd October

We will be holding a mufti day on Friday 23rd October to coincide with the Top Teams Challenge. Students may like to dress up in their house colours to support their team. We ask that students please bring a **flat chocolate bar** for this mufti day. We will use these chocolate bars for our Coin Toss Chocolate Bar stand in the Richmond Community Fair.

Term Four Study Topic: Planet Earth and Beyond

Creative Tech @ Shirley Library

A group of 12 students from our school will be heading over to Shirley Library on Friday afternoons to learn how to use green screens, GarageBand, DJ Decks and MakeyMakey electronics. We look forward to seeing what they create and to them teaching us how to use it when we have our own green screen!

Richmond Community Garden Spring Fair

Saturday 24th October 9am- 2pm. Look out for the Shirley Intermediate stall.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/595529574476349/>

Quick news and reminders:

- Community Health Curriculum consultation, **Thursday 15th October 5pm** in school or **6pm** via zoom.
- Labour Day **Monday 26th October**- school is closed.
- Teacher Only Day **Thursday 12th November**. Please make other arrangements for your child on that day.
- Show Day **Friday 13th November**- school is closed.

We recommend that you receive this email electronically. Make sure we have your current email address, Subscribe to the phone app Skoolloop