Silverstream School

Term 1, Issue 3

Friday 10 March

Principal's Message

Ngā Mihi Nui Kia Koutou,

We are now well over half way through the term and I'm sure many of you are wondering when you will next hear from us regarding your child's learning.

We have a number of formal reporting opportunities during the year:

Year 1-3 children have a formal reporting schedule that varies based on when your child's starting school 'anniversary' was. You will have received specific information relevant to your child via SignMee earlier this week.

Year 4 - 6 children will receive formal written reports at the end of Term 2 and 4, as well as opportunities to sit down and chat with the teacher in Term 2 and an open evening in Term 3.

Of course, if you have specific questions or concerns about your child's progress at school, you do not have to wait for these formal opportunities to roll along. While 'pop in' chats at the beginning or end of the school day are great for informal information sharing, teachers often have meetings or patrol duties before and after school, and may not be able to give the time you need to a specific concern or query. Feel free to phone or email teachers to make an appointment if needed.

Lisa Cavanagh, Principal

Moving March

I have loved seeing so many of our young people walk, ride or scooter to school over the first week of March… some of the passports are filling up fast and the school councillors are pumped to be able to hand out spot prizes to those who complete their passports.

With so many extra scooters and bikes in the grounds, we do ask that you remember to walk your wheels inside the grounds to avoid any unnecessary accidents.

There will be a WOW (Walk or Wheels) day on the 31st March, so keep an eye on next week's reminders for details.

Bee Healthy Dental Van

The "Bee Healthy" dental therapy van is on site from now until the end of term.

Children will initially be assessed in the van and will come home with additional information should they need further treatment.

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Headlines

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Emergency Preparation

Recently we have been reviewing our emergency plans and procedures. The Wellington "Get Prepared" website is an amazing resource for you to be aware of: http://www.getprepared.org.nz/

You will find some fabulous planning resources and templates for your home on this site… it's well worth a visit as a family if you haven't already got a household plan. Our school specific plans can be found (and downloaded to keep for ready access at home) at:
https://database.getprepared.org.nz/webservices/school-plan.php?id=535

While we keep a small amount of emergency food on site, it is generally considered best for children to have their own supply of snack food should there be any delays in being able to reunite with family after an emergency. As in previous newsletters we are still requesting that you bring in a small zip lock bag with several non perishable snack foods that your child will like. These will be kept in classrooms and returned to you at the end of each year.

Top School Competition

Silverstream school had an awesome night in Upper Hutt at the Top School event last week. There was a fairy-tale theme, and the Silverstream Team was called "Little Miss Muffet, The Four Blind Mice and The Foxes."

Eight Upper Hutt schools competed for the honours in fun events from filling the bucket, face painting, obstacle courses and more.

Silverstream teachers and kids did incredibly well and came second behind winners Upper Hutt by only half a point!!!

See our Gallery section for photos …….

Team Building Days'

Ako Whanake Team Building Day.

After two postponements, finally last Wednesday the weather smiled on us.

It was great to see the children from years 3 & 4, teachers and parents having such an enjoyable time participating in a range of fun events. At the end the day we had a house event call Jacob's Ladder. House teams had to stretch out, lying across the field, with the aim of being first to their house flag. Gloucester came first, followed by Gard with a close third to Whitemans and fourth to Chatsworth.

Thanks to all of the parents for your support of the event and your patience with the weather.

Green Streamers

The Greenstreamers are looking for any surplus plants you may be able to donate for our gardens… vegetables, annuals, flowers or swan plants.

These can go be dropped off to Room 12.

Thanks!

Welcome to Silverstream School

Welcome to our Newest Students ....

Room 89 - *Kate Quinn*
Room 12 - *Manas Joshi*
Room 19 - *Madison Boag*

It is great to have you all at Silverstream School!

Coming Up.....

House Day - Tuesday 14th March

Gloucester Whitemans Gard

Chatsworth

On Tuesday 14th March we will be holding our annual school wide House Day.

The children will be involved in both non-competitive and competitive activities.

It would be great if everyone could remember to wear their House Colours!!

Parents and grandparents are more than welcome to join us from 10:50 am onward for the activities and/or for lunch.

Lunch will be at 12:30 that day.
After lunch we will have our House Singing Competition and Annual House Photos.

We look forward to a super, enjoyable day!

Whitemans

Gard Chatsworth Gloucester

Crazy Hair Day

One of our first School Council fundraisers this year is to support "Shave for a Cure"
Thursday 23rd March - *Gold Coin Donation*

We are all looking forward to getting creative with our hair!

Whanau Night / Family Picnic - Coming Soon.....

Whanau Evening

Wednesday 22nd March

Our first Whanau Evening for 2017!

Further details will be sent out via Signmee soon!

Reminders

EMERGENCY CONTACT FORMS - IMPORTANT - PLEASE RESPOND ASAP
A Civil Defence Emergency Contact Form was sent out via SignMee - this form is **vital** in the event of an emergency/reunification situation. Thank you to those who have responded already. We require this to be filled out for each CHILD please not just for each family. In the event of an emergency each teacher needs to know the details for each of their students. If you have not completed this form as yet, please log into your SignMee account and complete **as soon as possible.**

ICAS (Closing Date Friday 24th March)
A SignMee was sent out this week to all Year 4-6 children advising of upcoming ICAS exams. Over recent years Silverstream School has been involved in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) exams provided by Educational Assessment Australia (EAA). Schools throughout Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific region take part in these challenging annual tests. If you would like to participate please **fill out the permission slip and entry fee by our closing date of Friday 24th March.**

Weetbix Tryathlon - Thursday 16th March
Well we are a little less than a week out from the Weetbix Tryathlon. This will be held at the Hutt Rec on Thursday next week! We have over 60 children participating in this which is a fantastic result. By now, those of you who registered before the courier cut-off in February, should be receiving your kit in the mail. Those of you who didn't, will need to pick them up at the Admin tent on the day. Any questions please email erin.edmonds@silverstream.school.nz

Friday Bakery Lunches - PRICE INCREASES
The Bakery have informed us of their new prices for this year. If you would like a copy you will be able to pick one up from the office or you can view the updated price list from our website. Please check prices before sending in your child's order. Click here to view now

Upcoming Events - Save the Date

- ***House Day***- *Tues 14th March*
- ***Weetbix Tryathlon*** - *Thurs 16th March*
- ***Whanau Night*** - *Weds 22nd March*
- ***Crazy Hair Day*** - *Thurs 23rd March*
- ***Ako Nui Capital E National Arts Festival*** - *Friday 24th March*
- ***WOW (Walk or Wheels) Day*** - *Fri 31st March*

- *Full Calendar Events - See our website - Click Here*

WHITEMANS! CHATSWORTH! GLOUCESTER! GARD! SILVERSTREAM!

Term Dates 2017

Term 1 - 2 Feb - 13 April
Term 2 - 1 May - 7 July
Term 3 - 24 July - 29 Sept
Term 4 - 16 Oct - 19 Dec
(half day - last day 2017)

1 Teacher Only day allocated during the year date TBC.

School Information

Bank Account Details
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School Office Hours
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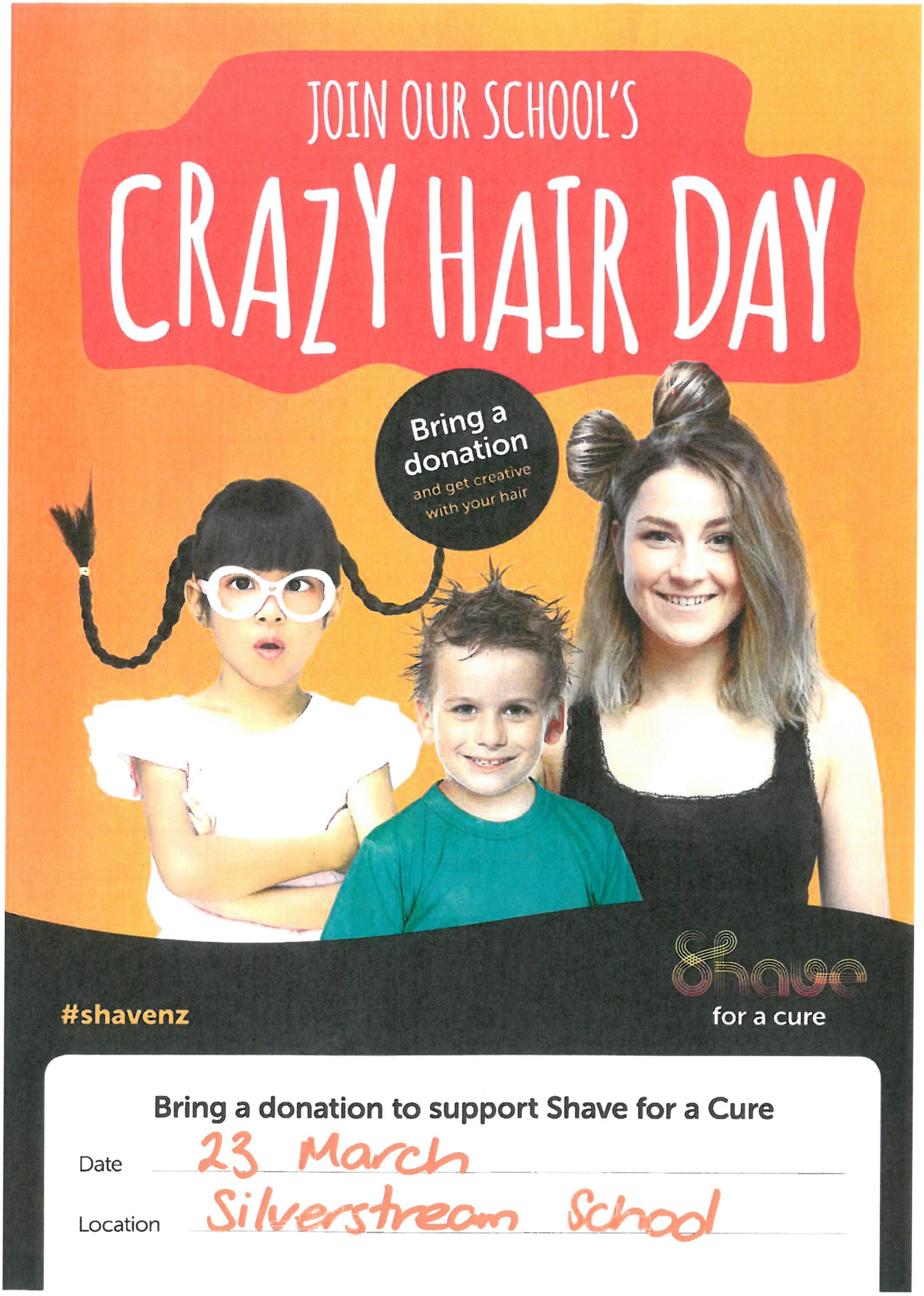
Gallery - Top Town Competition

Way to go Silverstream!

2nd Place!

Gallery - Team Building Days

Crazy Hair Day - Thursday 23rd March