Dear Parents/Caregivers 16 May 2018

This week has been Bully Free NZ week. We have had a greater focus on being a kind friend and the power of kind words. Teachers as usual are being creative in the ways they help children to understand. In one class I visited, I received more hugs than normal. This was because in Room 8 they were all being "hug bugs".

> The unpacking of bullying is also occurring and we have made the idea simple and easy to understand: When someone hurts you, or makes fun of you, once or twice, it is MEAN. When someone hurts you, or makes fun of you, again and again it is BULLYING.

As you are aware, St Pauls School are involved with us in what they call the 'Over the Fence' project. A group of senior students visit 3 times a week spending time in classes and playing during the 2nd break. They have also started taking small groups of year 6 students for ukelele and dance. Last Friday afternoon, a St Paul's choir came to perform for the Teina and Tuakana Teams. Our children were a very attentive audience. In fact they were spellbound.

The St Paul's students gave the Teina & Tuakana children a new drink bottle. Rooms 5, 6 & 7 also received a drink bottle. Lunch boxes were given to 5 year olds who started school this year. We are very grateful for the generosity shown by St Pauls. The headmaster, who came with the choir was very impressed with our children's singing and behaviour. He said that the relationship between our two schools has huge benefits for his students. We appreciate the involvement and positive interactions too.









Last week's assembly was hosted by Room 4, who did an outstanding job. Thanks Matua and children. Children who received a certificate and a band were:

Ella Hill Anisa Abdi Katrina Lillas Praanavh Kumar Poro Kite Ellise Mackenzie

Managayle Harrison Brennan Simpson Fatafehi Finau Gurazambir Singh Zach Bowers Dhruv Thakur

Junior Ratu Mana Gough Latrail Jackson Makayla Simpson Asterix Emery Huirangi Cooper-Nicola

Julian Vickeridge-Allen Weaam Al Ajjan Jayjay Tiitiiatalaga Paora Cooper-Nicola Serenity Hauwaho-Henry

# Dates - 2018

Day	Date	What
Mon-Fri	14-18 May	Bully Free Week
Friday	18 May	Pink Day
		2pm - Potiki Team Puppet Show
Friday	25 May	Assembly - R11 hosting
Friday	1 June	Arbor Day
Friday	8 June	Assembly - R 3 hosting
Friday	22 June	Assembly - R 10 hosting
Tuesday	26 June	Board Meeting
Wednesday	4 July	Talking about Learning
	, i	3.15 - 5pm
Thursday	5 July	Talking about Learning
		3.15- 8pm

## **Scholastic Book Club**

Last day for orders Thursday 17 May

# **Sports Notices**

### Hockey

Bankwood Rebels Sat 19 May 9.30am Field 1C meet at 9am inside gate

#### Miniball

Wednesday 16 May 5.30 Ct 2pm

#### **Inline Hockey**

Bankwood Blades Wed16 May 3.50pm

## Regards - Kay Cleaver, Principal



# Room 7 Writing!

We have been having fun writing about our language experiences in class, here is some of our stories...

The playdough is squishy. We made it on the table. The recipe is oil and water and flour and salt.

By Latita

The playdough is hot and sticky.

By Dziah

The playdough is smooth and sticky.

By Revaariki

Today we made popcorn. It looks like snow. It feels soft.

By Riley

We made popcorn. It looks like slime. It tastes salty. It feels soft. It smells like cardboard.

By Cyrus

We made popcorn today. It looks like a spider. It feels like a lemon. It tastes like nothing.

By Nataliya

We made popcorn. It looks like a wall. It tastes like chocolate. It feels like butter. It smells like weetbix.

By Javaahn.

Today we made popcorn. It looks like a water fountain coming out. It feels like snow. It tastes like watermelon. I like popcorn.

By Sophia

We made popcorn today. It feels like snow. It looks like a cloud. It tastes like popcorn. We still have some left but we don't get anymore. It smells like honey.

By Hayley

We made popcorn today. It looks like white ice cream. It tastes like watermelon. It smells like cardboard.

By Ariana