



June

- 17th June - Te Kawau Cluster Junior Gymnastics Festival here.
- 21st June - BoT Meeting - 5.00pm, Rm 4.
- 21st Matariki Shared Breakfast
- 23rd Te Kawau Cross Country at Bainesse School.
- 24th Matariki Day - school closed

Our Cross Country

Thank you to Mr Kearney and his seniors for organising our indoor cross country/steeplechase last Friday. There were obstacles, cargo net, a Limbo bar, and chairs to zigzag around. Unfortunately we had 8 of our 24 students absent on the day...let's aim for EVERYONE being here on the day of the Gymnastics this Friday because we need all seniors to be leaders for the gym groups and everyone needs to be here for the Te Kawau Cross Country at Bainesse on the 23rd June.

Results

Y1/2 Girls 1st Aashritha 2nd Aafiya
Y3/4 Boys 1st Kasey 2nd Talha
Y5/6 Boys 1st Hamzah 2nd Steele
3rd Slayde
Y5/6 Girls 1st Akshaya 2nd Gabby
3rd McKenzie and Kendra 4th
Tamara
Y7/8 Boys 1st Cody
Y7/8 Girls 1st Aleasha 2nd Summer

Congratulations ALL runners!



Te Kawau Junior Gymnastics Festival

We are hosting this event on Friday the 17th June starting at 12.30pm. We would love to see parents come along and help with teams or just pop in and enjoy the afternoon. We are lucky to have just enough seniors to organise each team, and the help of student leaders from QEC. It should be a fun afternoon...

Phones at School

Several seniors have started bringing phones to school. Please make sure your child(ren) leave their phone at home unless there is a very good reason for them to bring it here. If they do have to bring a phone to school, remind them that they need to hand it in for safe keeping to Mr Kearney or Ms O'Keefe, to prevent damage, loss or misuse...

New students

We are very lucky to have enrolled 7 students since November 2021 to help replace our huge number of leavers last year - 10. We are lucky to have small numbers in most year groups which is really great for the teacher/student ratio and 1 to 1 teaching opportunities. We would however like a few more kids to boost our numbers for next year - if you chat to people in the village with pre-schoolers we'd love to have them here (assuming they're lovely kids that is).

We need your help to grow our numbers and stay a 2 teacher school for 2023. The magic number is 26 kids and currently we have 24 with a new enrolment in August so...a family of 2 would make a difference to this year and more are needed to replace leavers at the end of this year! Please help us get the word out there that we are worth visiting and that Sanson School is a great option for our local kids.

Phone book delivery for Pool

It's hard to believe it's that time already. David, Emma, Jan and I are happy to deliver phone books to the rural areas and Halcombe village. The Pool gets about \$900 for this fundraiser so it's well worth the effort...

Big thanks to Jen Berquist who has volunteered to do Sanson village.

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News from Board Chair - Gareth Sharp

I thought I would just update you with some board matters as there are some important events occurring in the not too distant future for boards and school communities.

Kris Astwood has resigned his position on the board, due to the upcoming elections we won't be looking to fill this position. Not only did Kris take on the finance responsibilities while on the board, he also donated items for the school to raffle at the Rongotea Galas. Kris, on behalf of everyone at Sanson School, thanks for everything you have done for the board, staff and most importantly the students.

The Board of Trustees elections will be held in early September. From July we will be gearing up for these elections, which can occur in a variety of ways depending on the number of candidates we have.

So what is the school board?

All of NZ's state and state-integrated schools have a school board which is the Crown entity responsible for the governance of the school.

The board has a variety of functions including:

- ensuring every student can reach their highest possible standard in student achievement
- is the employer for all staff in the school
- sets the school's strategic direction in consultation with parents, whanau, staff, students and the wider school community
- is responsible for overseeing the management of personnel, curriculum, property, finance and administration.

Most importantly the best interests of the students has to be at the forefront of any decisions the board makes.

If you are interested in becoming a board member please let one of the school staff or board members know. It is important for us to ensure we have a board to govern the school for the benefit of the students.

There's a board meeting Tuesday 21 June at 5pm, feel free to come along and see what it is all about.

I hope to see you there.

Te Kawau Cross Country Event

The Bainesse School (Friends of the School) will have the following items available for sale at the TK Cross Country (23rd June): Hot Chips \$3, Burgers \$5, Sausages \$2, Hot Drinks \$2 to \$3 and baking priced between 50c to \$3. Free milo drinks will also be available for all competitors. We look forward to seeing you then.



Students practising for the Cross Country