



## Quote of the Week

"What we are is God's gift to us. What we become is our gift to God." Eleanor Powell

**Our busy students are lucky to be able to experience education outside of the classrooms.**



Middle  
Syndicate  
students  
taking part in  
the explorers  
programme  
at the  
Museum

## Wellington Excursion

On the 4th of April, the Intermediate Syndicate travelled to Wellington for the day. We were blessed with beautiful weather. On our way out of Whanganui, the moon was majestic and acted as a beacon to show us the way.

We visited the Island Bay Marine Education Centre which contains a large variety of live habitat displays including many different species of marine life from the rocky shores of Wellington's unique South Coast. We also ventured out amongst the rocky shore where students collected a large variety of marine life (we put them all back).

After the Marine Centre, we visited Adrenaline Forest. Adrenaline Forest is a high excitement, stomach churning and a great confidence builder where you test your skills by taking on an Adrenalin Forest aerial obstacle course.

It was a brilliant day.

A huge thank you to all parents that assisted on the day. We could not have done it without you.

Halim and Tonya.



## Dear Parents/Caregivers

So, it's the end of a busy term. You all know we have two weeks holiday coming up. Before anyone sighs and says to themselves, 'Oh, teachers have soooo many holidays', just remember this time is for both teachers and for the children. We all need a break to recharge. But you know the teachers will be spending time in this break here or there; planning, gathering resources, setting up classes, meeting to make the next term as terrific as the last, and ensuring your children will continue in their learning. You also know that five of the days these holidays are statutory public holidays that are absorbed into the two weeks.



I get a bit frustrated hearing on radio of people who continually say teachers have it easy and get all these holidays. If only they knew the reality. If teaching was easy, if it really was ten weeks holiday, if the pay and conditions were so fantastic, everyone would be a teacher! The problem this country is facing is that teaching is no longer an attractive career option for many who would make excellent teachers, and this is why we are faced with a teacher shortage, have workload issues, and have problems keeping teachers. 50% of new graduates in teaching are leaving the profession within five years.

What is going to happen in the next decade when our ageing teaching population retire and we can't retain new teachers long term to counter this? That is why teachers have rejected the pay offer from the Ministry and we are now facing strikes. **Our Paid Union Meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday 8th May and we ask you all to pick your children up at the start of lunchtime (12:30pm)** so that we can go and find ways to address this looming crisis.

If you'd like to know more, please come in and talk to one of our teachers. They'd be happy to discuss with you.

Have a safe, relaxing, refreshing holiday and a very Blessed Easter.

Nga mihi  
Elizabeth Schaw

## Winter Uniform for Term 2



### Primary Boys

School jersey  
Grey skivvy  
Grey winter-weight shorts  
Grey long socks  
Black school shoes  
Opt. school scarf

### Primary Girls

School jersey  
White skivvy  
School tunic  
Navy tights or long socks  
Black school shoes  
Opt. school scarf

### Intermediate Boys

School jersey  
Grey school shirt  
Navy winter-weight shorts  
Grey long socks  
School tie  
Black school shoes

### Girls

School jersey  
White school shirt  
School skirt  
Navy tights or long sock  
School tie  
Black school shoes

NOTE: There is now a rain proof jacket available at Anderson's as an optional item of our uniform.

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- Splash Centre
- McDonalds
- Mint Cafe
- Subway





Does anyone have a load of top soil we could have to fill in the dips in the field ?

If you do please see Daryn our caretaker.



St Annes  
Enchanted Forrest Book Fair  
COMING TERM 2  
details to follow

Reminder:  
No School!

**REMINDER:**  
Teacher Paid Union  
Meeting  
Wednesday 8 May -  
12:30 pick-up

St Anne's Red Cricket team vs St Anne's Girls on the final night of cricket. It was friend v friend, brother v sister! It was a narrow win by the boys but cricket was the winner on the night. A great display of sportsmanship and fun by both teams on display. The boys were undefeated all season, and the girls had a lot of wins also.

Futsal - the boys futsal team came 3rd overall in the finals last night, also an awesome display by the team of Noah, Damien, Oscar, Acoya, William, Ari, Benjamin, Ashton.

Rebecca Butcher



# STANNEIS FUNDRAISER LOLLIES Guessing game

GUESS  
HOW MANY  
LOLLIES IN  
THE JAR

\$1

EACH  
GUESS

WIN  
THE LOLLY  
JAR

GOOD  
LUCK!

MAKE YOUR GUESSES WEEK 8 - WEEK 10  
BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL

WINNER ANNOUNCED: FRIDAY, WEEK 10

