Westport South School Newsletter

Week 7 Term 1
16 March 2022

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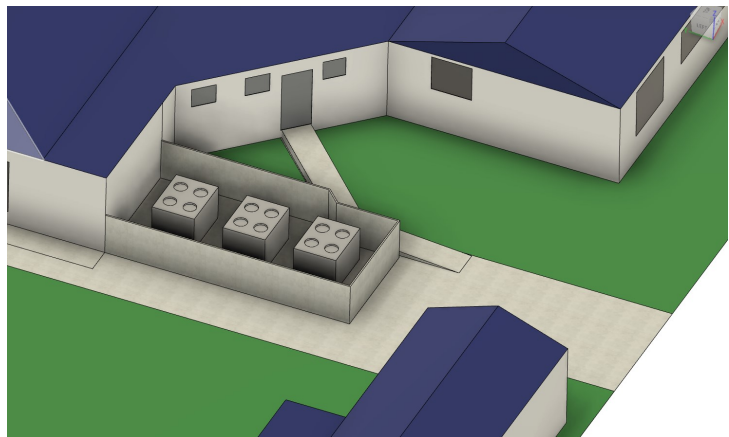School Mobile: 027-756-6107

RAT Testing

You need to get tested if:
- **You have COVID-19 symptoms**

You are a household contact of someone who is COVID-19 positive Person.

Where can you get tested?
- **RAT tests will be provided to all families whom fit the above criteria**
- **You are able to obtain RATs at the community-based testing centre.**
- **In Westport, from the back of Buller Medical (21 Pakington Street, Westport) between 9am – 4.30pm Monday- Friday and 10am-4pm Saturday and Sunday. Phone 027 244 8145 if you are having difficulty finding the site.**

Coast Medical Clients can also phone Coast medical and arrange to pick up Rat test during the practices normal working hours.

Heating System

Many of you will have noticed the hive of activity around the coal bunker. Shortly the chimney and old boiler will be removed. There will be a new pad laid and 3 external heat pumps will heat the water for the existing radiators. The same thing is happening at Buller High, Westport North and Reefton Area School. They are hoping to have everything up and running by the usual time we turn on the furnace. Heat pumps will be installed one at a time as they are manufactured but all three should be running by the middle of winter.
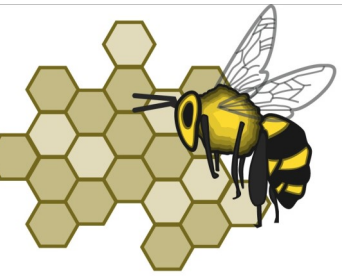
Uniforms

It is now cooler in the morning and children are arriving wearing jerseys. However it doesn't take long for them to be discarded in this lovely weather we are experiencing. Please ensure they are named so that we can return them to their rightful owners. Also please name your hats as well as this is another item that tends to get discarded.

Room 14 have been busy making mini golf courses.

Last week Room 9 went our to Macey Hateley's place to see how bee's work. Below are some to the photo's taken. Thank you Mrs Hateley for letting us come and see the bees.

A bee is an insect. It has a head, thorax and abdomen.
Bees are important. Flowers are their food. Bees fly around looking for flowers. Bees love flowers. That's where they get pollen and nectar to make honeycombs. They put the nectar in the honeycomb. Bees flap their wings to make the honey thicker. The beekeeper sprays special smoke and takes the honey out of the hive. Bees are busy.
Bees are good for the world making honey.

Coming Events Term 1:

6th April   BOT Meeting in staffroom 5.30pm AGM then normal meeting to follow.

14th April   End of Term 1

2nd May   Term 2 Starts

Honesty
Encouragement
Attitude
Respect
Together we can

Principals Awards:

Nathaniel Schurr: Willingness to help others and having pride in the school environment

Kellan Rae; Fantastic attitude and perseverance

Avyaan Bahri; Trying all our activities and giving everything his best shot.

Connor Lawrie; Active participation in all areas. Connor has had a super start to school.

Maia Samuels; Showing HEART and supporting your classmates! Thanks for being such a good role model!

Erin Hateley; Grade 2 Award in graded examination in music theory with MERIT.

Bobby Thompson ; Grade3 Award in graded examination in music theory.

Carey Lawrie: Her improved ability at volleyball. Well done.

Jackson Weir; A Fantastic effort on his written retelling of King Midas Tumeke.

Kaleb Hateley; Being an incredible helper and observant participant during our EOTC trip to Tauranga Bay.

Olivia Weir; Showing bravery by taking risks! Olivia has joined in with some activities outside her comfort zone.

Eli Jackson; Using the library to find information about our topic.

Shaun Kinsella; Having a positive attitude towards your learning! Ka rawe!

Adam Kapua; Working conscientiously in all areas.

Brayden Drumm; Rising to the challenge in literacy and beginning to work towards his potential.

Jack Neighbours: For supporting his peers.

Please make sure that you have kept the office up to date with any change of address or phone numbers.

UE Boom found out side the school. If it belongs to you please call into the office and let me know what colour it is.