



Star Board—Week 8 Term 1

On the Calendar.....

27 March

Winter Sport Sign-ups
Y12 RYDA Road
Safety
Friends AGM 5.30pm

28 March

Senior Chapel

29 March

Y10 Art Trip

30 March

Mufti Day
Y11 Art Trip
Boarders Movie Night

31 March

Whanau Meetings
DOE Gold and Silver
Practice tramp
(weekend)
Interim Reports to the
Portal

It was great to start to the week with our Summer Quad teams winning overall at this year's tournament at Iona College. Over the past couple of years it has been wonderful to see the revival of summer codes and full teams being fielded. Many thanks to our coaches and managers who give up their valuable time to enhance sport at SMS.

Over the weekend there were many girls and staff involved in the 'Relay for Life' at Clareville. The Senior College team completed the highest number of laps. We also had some Year 11 girls participating for the Youth Council team and were present in their pink outfits. Tremendous effort from all those involved and especially Mollie Tulloch our Service Prefect for organising the troops. The money raised is in the process of being counted and we will let you know in due course how much money will be going to the Cancer Society.

Our Equestrian team competed at the Nga Tawa event. Despite no team placings there were individual placings and clear rounds for new combinations. All bodes well for the future.

Winter codes are beginning to gather for trials and there have been nervous girls waiting for lists to go up. Well done to the girls selected for the first Hockey and Netball teams with Football to come in the near future. For those who missed out, your responsibility is to be challenging those ahead of you through hard work and determination.

We have three weeks until the end of the term and our seniors on both sites are well underway with assessments. We cannot reiterate how important it is that your daughter is attending school. If your daughter falls ill and cannot attend her internal we must have written confirmation on the day by email or note. NZQA issue strict guidelines around this. Please contact Suzie Leckie on the SMS site or Adam Gordon on the Senior College site if you have any questions.

Today a group of girls made purple cakes to sell at school. Money raised goes to the World Wide Education Fund, especially for children in developing countries. These were sold out in minutes at SMS and a similar story at Senior College.

At the end of the term we farewell Miss Knottenbelt who leaves for an overseas adventure.

Finally, congratulations to Pippa Raleigh (year 9) who won the Junior Triple Jump at the Wellington Regional Athletics yesterday. A great achievement.

Alison Glass, Assistant Principal

The Week Ahead..... March 27— 31

School Value Focus—Respect

- * *The uniform shop will be closed on March 31, however it is open everyday after school to take winter uniform orders. The supplier do need time to process our orders so please make sure your order is placed in the near future.*
- * *The Friends of SMS will hold their AGM in the staffroom on Monday 27 March at 5.30pm in the staffroom. We farewell Jane McKenzie and Pip Murdoch, both long standing members whose daughters are now at university. We will miss their contributions and personalities. Obviously this leaves a hole and we would love to see new members come on board.*
- * *Winter sport sign-ups start this week. All girls are asked to select a sport to be part of this winter. These sheets are up in the gym.*
- * *On Thursday there is a mufti day to raise money for the Wairarapa Hospital Chaplaincy. For new girls this year the guidelines for mufti attire are in the student diary and Deans will be talking to this in meetings this week.*
- * *Interim reports for Y9-11 will be up on the portal on Friday afternoon. A letter will be sent with interview details and instructions. Year 7/8 will have a manual system for booking and these details will be with families early next week. We encourage all parents to attend interviews.*
- * *An important note for parents and girls. If you are not participating in PE lessons during the day, this means you cannot do after school sport in the afternoon.*