

James Street School

Week Seven Term Two 2021 - 15 June

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Health Consultation: Please return the consultation by 18 June to be in the DRAW. Thanks to the whanau who have shared their thoughts / ideas with us, so far.

Need to know - School Docs

Our school has been working with SchoolDocs to create a website for our policies and procedures. The site is now live and available to our school community.

The school works on a subscription basis with SchoolDocs to maintain, update, and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies, which have been well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our charter, and procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, etc.

SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. Our board of trustees has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented. We will advise you when policies are up for review and how you can take part in the review.

We invite you to visit the site at <https://jamesstreet.schooldocs.co.nz> (note that there's no "www."). Our username is "jamesstreet" and password "proud".

Under parent review this term is 'Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement'. If you would like to take part in this review follow the following instructions:

- Visit the website <https://jamesstreet.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
- Enter the username (jamesstreet) and password (proud).
- Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- Read the policy.
- Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- Select the reviewer type "Parent".
- Enter your name (optional).
- Submit your ratings and comments.
- If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

Need to know - Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement

Student-Led Conferences are to be held in Week 9.

This is an opportunity for your child to share their learning with you, in their classroom. They may share:

- favourite writing
- a piece of artwork
- a maths game and ask you to play
- a book for you to read together
- their work on Google Classroom

With the teacher's support your child will also share a Key Competency goal they are going to work on achieving over the next term. This could be a goal to do with:

- thinking
- participating and contributing
- relating to others
- managing self

There will be an opportunity for you to add a note to the class Celebration Book. You can book a conference time for Wednesday 30 June between the times of 1:00pm and 5:45pm and Thursday 1 July between the times of 3:00pm and 5:45pm. Conferences last for about 20 minutes and several can be happening in the room at a time. This is a real time of celebration for our tamariki. We look forward to seeing you at your child's conference.

Please note: to allow time for all conferences to be held, school will finish at 12:45pm on Wednesday 30 June.

Need to know - Picking up your child after school

This term we have had two children go missing after school because another whanau member/friend has decided to pick them up outside the school.

- Please remind whanau that if they are picking children up (and they usually don't) the teacher and the office must know. Please ring the office to inform us if this is happening.
- If you are taking another child with you (your child's friend) then you must have had verbal confirmation with the other child's parent. Don't take children's word that parents know and that it is ok. Please ring the office to inform us if this is happening.

This simple courtesy saves parents and staff needless angst when a child goes missing, but in fact is quite safe. Remember that all children in Ponga need to be picked up from inside Ponga.

Te Reo Maori me ona Tikanga

This week's kiwaha is: **Kei te pehea koe? How are you? Kei te pehea koe?** Students can reply with **Kei te - I am - Kei te - Kei te pehea koe? How are you? Kei te pai. I am good. Kei te makariri. I am cold. Kei te harikoa. I am happy**

What's Coming Up

- Scholastic Book orders close on Monday 21 June.
- We are holding two Matariki DISCOs on the 25 June; one for the Year 1 to 3 tamariki at 4:00pm and one for the Year 4 to 6 tamariki at 5:15pm.
- Student-Led Conferences are taking place on June 30 and July 1. School will close at lunchtime on June 30 so conferences can begin at 1:00pm and run to 6:00pm. Conferences will run from 3:00pm to 6:00pm on July 1. This is an opportunity for your child to share their learning and goals with you.
- Senior Reports will be handed out at conferences.
- Junior interim/anniversary reports that are due, will be handed out at conferences.
- On Friday July 2nd the teachers will be attending a learning day about Reading from two top NZ facilitators - Sheena Cameron and Louise Dempsey. This is a **Teacher Only Day**.
- Keep July 8 free if you can for our Whanaungatanga Day - celebrating Matariki with a hakari.
- We have the Life Education caravan here from June 29 to July 8.
- Term 2 ends on July 9.

Pop in anytime for a chat or give me a ring.

Kia pai to rā - have a great day.

Roz Dakin

Principal

Student-led Conference Booking - Return to office

Child's name	Child's class	Day Wednesday / Thursday	Time Wed: 1pm to 5:45pm Thurs: 3pm to 5:45pm