Kia ora, Sherenden and Districts Community,

We now have only 3 weeks to go till the half way point of the year. This week we began hockey and netball practices for our 3 hockey teams and our year 5/6 netball team who are scheduled to begin their respective competitions on the first week back of Term 3. Though I know parents have enjoyed the ease in commitment in getting students to and from games, I know the kids are pretty keen to really crack into it.

We are now as a staff beginning to plan for our Term 3 whole school inquiry unit which will be around the 'Human Body'. Though events like the Olympics that were meant to link nicely with the timing of this unit are no longer happening, it quite exciting as the discussions unfold into what the students may inquire into during this time. I'd like to use this time to say that if you would like to share any of your expertise around this area or you have some ideas that you think would benefit the students learning, then could you please contact your child's teacher and let them know how you may be of assistance. Though we can never guarantee that we'll be able to follow through with everyone's ideas or suggestions, I can guarantee that all ideas are welcomed and will always be considered if suitable.

The year 5-8's are still awaiting to see if their planned day skiing will still go ahead in Term 3 which will happen every 3 years as part of their Education Outside the Classroom cycle. For the whole school we had planned to do a whole school overnight camp in either Term 1 or 4 of this year but this will now be pushed to Term 1 of 2020 (within first 6 weeks) as this camp will be near a river and this gives us a bit more guarantee of warmer water for some of the activities.

I have included below some of the changes to schools now that we are at level 1 which means we can plan ahead now without too many restrictions. I will add that there have been some noticed benefits nation wide with some of the restrictions that schools and parents had to abide to. These included:

- Students carrying their school bags both to and from the classroom to support their independence
- Less student property left around the school and greater students ownership for actions and behaviour
- Very little absenteeism at a time when it is usually at its highest with students being unwell.
- Very few external interruptions meaning a really free timetable for staff with their students.
- A generally improved concentration and engagement in the classroom

We've all also enjoyed the free weekends but the fact that these weekends are now soon to be filled with sports /events etc, is really exciting for our kids and it's nice to remember that these experiences can be hugely important in one's childhood and educational experience.

Enjoy the last few free moments before the kids dominate your timetable again but try to remember (and maintain) the positives you were all able to get out of the lockdown experience. Haisley Robson, Principal

SAUSAGE SIZZLE FRIDAYS

From 12 June we will be having Sausage and Bread—\$1.00

The Seniors have explored mixing, bleeding and blending watercolours. They have laid maori symbols over their colors. They can explain the meaning of the symbols too.











Our complete sports uniform modelled by Zak,

Harper and Pearl. Shorts purchased with

Wacky Wednesday

On the last Wednesday on Term 2 (July 1) we are going to have a Wacky Wednesday. This includes the children coming in wacky/wild clothes and hair etc to celebrate the end of the term with all our staff and students.

WANTED
Please save your
PLASTIC BREAD
BAGS
ICECREAM CONTAINERS
WITH LIDS
BRING THEM INTO
SCHOOL
Thank You

REMINDER

DEFIBRILLATOR
There is a defibrillator
located in the Porta Cabin
At
School

MIDDLE ROOM—some writing which has been completed this week

PLANE SURVIVAL

On a Jetstar plane wing two young boys Dylan and Zane. Dylan was as cool as a cucumber and Zane was srming his head off. Dylan had a shotgun on his back and Zane had nothing. As they landed Dylan said "let's do it again" "NO" shouted Zane. "Fine let's go on an Air New Zealand plane" said Dylan.

By Dylan

A flash of green light as it flew past me. I had gone on a boat three years ago and my boat had bashed on a rock, but there was an island close by so I swam to it. Over the past years huge palm trees had grown around me. I tried to fix my boat to get to land but it was no use. Queeny was waning from side to side from the icy, cold, big storm that had been last night. How I wished that someone would come on their boat and save me. Just then I heard the roar of an engine. A boat appeared out of the depths of the blue icy water. I was so shocked. The man in the boat said "hop on." We sped back to land and the nice man took me in his car and he took me to my house.

By Harper-lily

TWO GIRLS SAW A MONSTER

Once there were two girls called Harper-lily and Edee. Edee had hazel coloured hair and Harper-lily's hair color was chocolate hair and they went walking along in a forest. Suddenly they saw an entertaining plant that felt really nice. It also was moss colour and it was so tiny. So they walked on. Then they saw a giant slimy stinky MONSTER! So they ran for their lives. They found a boat so they boated away from the monster. While they were in the boat they had their lunch in the boat. But they were tearful. They were away from home. Then the monster came back again and they screamed again. Suddenly the monster explained "don't be scared little girls, I will help you home. What number house are you living in?" "21 Bembridge Avenue," they said. "Alrighty, off we go." When they were home the two girls whispered "thank you" so their parents wouldn't hear that there is a monster just outside their house.

By Pearl.

COVID-19 Level 1

- Parents can now enter grounds without prior arrangement (though please make sure you sign in)
- No restrictions on gatherings or events outside of school
- We will continue to promote good hygiene practice
- CONTINUE TO STAY AT HOME IF FEELING UNWELL

PARKING AT SCHOOL

To help with the safety and ease congestion in School Car Park please park at the Hall and walk over to the School when picking up/dropping off your child. This would be much appreciated by bus drivers and staff. Thank you

Please return SPORTS TOPS to the Office and make sure they are clean. Thank you.

SHERENDEN HALL AGM 23 June 2020 at 7.30 pm

Upcoming events and dates

17 June	Pita Pit Lunches (lunchonline.co.nz for orders)
23 June	Sherenden Hall AGM @ 7.30 pm Queries 8742845/8742813
1 July	Wacky Wednesday
3 July/21 July	End of Term 2/Start of Term 3
August 28th	Rural Schools Cluster Cross Country-