

## Principal/Tumuaki comment

Kia ora parents and whānau, We welcomed another new student to school last week and by Friday at the Athletic Sports it was like he'd been here for years! Welcome to Vic (Year 8), and his parents Mitch and Rex - it's great to have you as part of our school whānau.

The rain held off and we had a fabulous day at Ranfurly on Friday. I reckon we had one of our most successful Athletic Sports with multiple Strath kids taking the podium as overall age group place getters, as well as YELLOW HOUSE lifting the House Shield for most house points out of the four schools competing. Well done Yellow House - phenomenal effort! Every single child performed outstandingly and a lot made personal bests and placed in events for the first time - this is what it is all about! We have a number of students that have qualified for the Otago Champs which is testament to their dedication and skill this year.

A huge thanks to all those - adults and study leave siblings! - who helped us out at the discus station, as well to the Hughes/Baxter families for bringing up our wonderful gazebo.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Lisa Bankshaw



# STRATH STARS!



**JOINT Matchett Cup winners Max and Edward. An absolutely outstanding effort boys - huge congratulations to you both. We are all so proud of you!**





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# Book Character Dress Up Day



**Next week we are having our annual Book Character Dress Up Day and it's going to be better than ever! Playgroup, Lee Stream and Macraes Moonlight Schools are joining us which will be lots of fun! We are going to have a fashion parade, book/literacy games, as well as some sporting prowess on display, and then finish with a yummy Sausage Sizzle kindly put on by our fabulous PTA. It's going to be an awesome day so get those wonderful costumes sorted and ready for next Wednesday. You can also get your Christmas pressies sorted at the Book Fair which will be on all week in the Library.**

# TEAM PIWAKAWAKA NEWS

This term Team Piwakawaka have been busy planting their very own vegetable garden. This has been extremely enjoyable for us all as we have had the opportunity to plant some of our produce from seeds and watch the plants grow, and some from plants. We are all looking forward to tasting our delicious produce when the time comes! The kids have also been busy practising for athletics and they have given it their all and it really showed on Friday at Athletics. This term we have been looking at a maths unit about reflection and symmetry and the kids are loving the hands on maths!



# Term 4 Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Term 4 Week 4	4	5 School Photos 	6	7	8 Mrs Becker RI 
Term 4 Week 5	<b>BOOK WEEK</b> 11	<b>BOOK WEEK</b> 12	<b>BOOK WEEK</b> 13 Book Character Dress Up Day! 	<b>BOOK WEEK</b> 14	<b>BOOK WEEK</b> 15 ASSEMBLY 
Term 5 Week 6	18 Mrs Becker RI	19 Otago Athletics Champs 	20 Mrs Bankshaw in R3 in afty	21	22 Mrs Becker RI 
Term 4 Week 7	25	26	27 Mrs Bankshaw in R3 in afty	28 Mrs Becker R5	29 Mrs Becker RI 
Term 4 Week 8	<b>2 DECEMBER TEACHER ONLY DAY</b>	3	4	5 Mrs Becker R5	6 ROOM 1 CLASS TRIP! Mrs Becker R3 
Term 4 Week 9	9	10 Christmas CRAFT DAY 	11	12	13
Term 4 Week 10	16 Reports sent home	17 PRIZEGIVING & last day for 2024 			