Dear Parents and Friends,

Thank you to all parents/carers who have returned their Opinion Survey responses. We appreciate you taking the time to complete these forms, the feedback you provided will be sent to the school later in the year. This will inform us of the views of our parent/carer community and provide a foundation for improvement and to celebrate what we are getting right. All schools, including ours can continue to learn. Students, teachers and the parent community can all provide feedback to inform our practice, opportunities are provided throughout the year. I have placed tickets into the ‘Wood fundraiser’ for all surveys returned. If you haven’t returned your survey as yet, please complete it and send it back. This year all families have the opportunity to provide feedback, as a staff we strongly urge you to send it back.

A big thank you to the Marino family and James Villela for their generous donation towards our fundraiser for Tournament of Minds and student Headphones. We appreciate your generous support. Damien Walls, the Coleman family, the Heathcote Lions Club, Dave Bull and others have also offered loads of wood for fundraising purposes. These fundraisers will continue over the coming weeks. All donations of wood and/or money have been gratefully received, as a school we would like to again thank the community for supporting us. It is great to be a part of the supportive Heathcote community.

Just a reminder about the safe use of the car park during our peak drop off and pick up times at the start and end of the day. Please take note of the signs regarding the ‘DROP OFF AND PICK UP ONLY AREA’ for students adjacent to the school fence, some parents have started to park along this fence line. If you are parking your car and walking in to the school, please avoid the signed area for drop and pick up and park out in the designated car parking area. This will assist parents who drive in and out to drop off and pick up, they only require a few minutes and they are gone again. Your support is appreciated to ensure we have a safe car park.

Have a great week.

Ms Kate Ballantyne

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TEAMWORK
Ellie C. — For contributing well to group activities
Tommy W. — For working positively with others.

LEARNING
Madison J. — For showing great improvement.
Matilda EF — For always trying her best.
Payton G. — For being prepared to have a go.
Cordell L.C. — For being prepared to have a go.

RESPONSIBILITY
Tayton T — For looking after school equipment properly.

RESPECT
Zoe. O. — For treating others with respect.

CIVICS AND CITIZENSHIP AWARDS—Presented at Assembly today
Ellie C. — For contributing well to group activities.
Tommy W. — For working positively with others.

GREEN CARDS STARS FOR JULY — CONGRATULATIONS
Foundation - Year 2
Magpies
Shyanne

Foundation - Year 2
Parrots
Rosh

YEAR 3/4
Harrison

YEAR 5/6
Jarrod

FOUNDATION STUDENTS
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GOB STOPPER AWARD presented to
Kane — Trying to refrain from back chatting & learning from mistakes.

READING AWARDS
Congratulations to our students who have read to their family members and been signed off for:
50 Nights
Tommy W.

100 Nights
Brayden W.

125 Nights
Ella Mc.
Zoe O.
Daniel C.
Henry T.P.

175 Nights
Conroy M.
Brodı-Lee K.

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Tournament of Minds “WOOD FUND-RAISER” and Parent Survey

Please return your sold tickets by the Wednesday 3rd August. Winner will be notified on Friday 5th August. Funds will support the Tournament of Minds activity.

All Parent Opinion Surveys returned to the Office will receive 5 free tickets for the “WOOD FUNDRAISER”.

2016 SCHOOL PHOTOS

Whole School and Special Group Photos can be ordered. Display of photos and order forms are in the Office.

Groups include:  Whole School $16.00
                   School Captains $14.00
                   Junior School Council $14.00
JUNIOR STEM - Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths

Last week the junior unit planted mushrooms. This week the students observed if any changes had occurred since last week and drew their observations in their workbooks. Students were then provided with a picture of a mushroom which they had to label and stick in their workbooks.

SENIOR STEM—Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths

This week we commenced our work on sound. Sound is related to robotics because robots can speak, listen and navigate using sound. We discovered that sound is a wave and we tried to visualise the effects of sound using various methods. The grade 5 & 6 class experimented with vibrating equipment such as speakers, guitars and balloons. The grade 3 & 4 class built a structure made from tape, skewers and jelly babies to illustrate how waves can travel.