



Kia ora whānau,

Mana Ake Sessions

These will be Tuesday 20th August 8.30am - 4.30pm and Tuesday 17th September 8am - 12.30pm. Drop into the school office or give us a call and book your 15 minute time slot with our Kaimahi. The kaimahi will be a listening ear, offering advice where they can or making suggestions for other avenues of support. Closer to your appointment you will be sent a session guide enabling you to get the most out of your time.

Playground Updates

Our 'Big A'

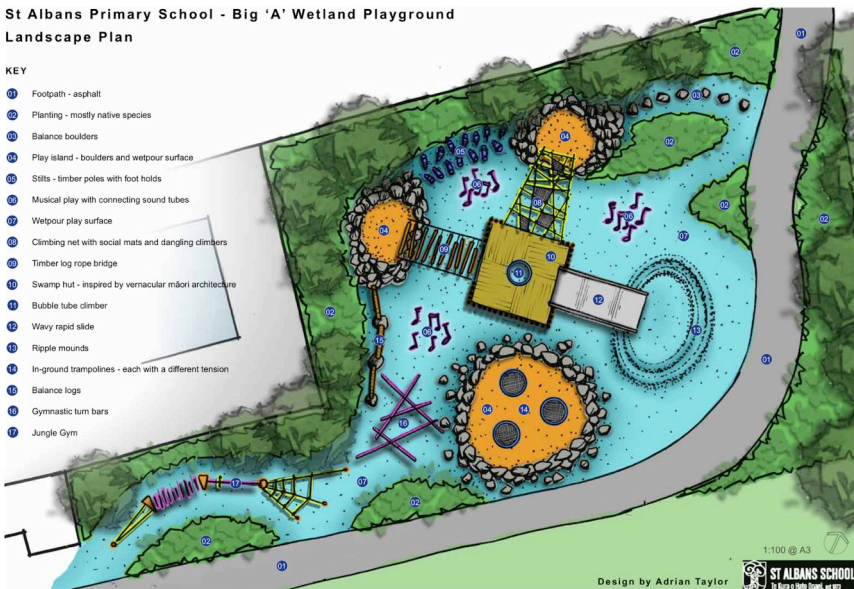
We continue to work hard behind the scenes finalising costings for our applications to charitable trusts. In addition to the substantial donation from the PTA's Monster Fair and funds allocated by the Board of Trustees we must bolster our funding in order to create an area with maximum play value for our students.

Our designer, St Albans parent Adrian Taylor, continues to assist us through this process. Here is another sneak peak of our draft plan. Some elements may change however, you can get an understanding of what this project will look like upon completion.

St Albans Primary School - Big 'A' Wetland Playground
Landscape Plan

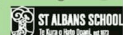
KEY

- 01 Footpath - asphalt
- 02 Planting - mostly native species
- 03 Balance boulders
- 04 Play island - boulders and wetpour surface
- 05 Silts - timber poles with foot holds
- 06 Musical play with connecting sound tubes
- 07 Wetpour play surface
- 08 Climbing net with social mats and dangling climbers
- 09 Timber log rope bridge
- 10 Swamp hut - inspired by vernacular māori architecture
- 11 Bubble tube climber
- 12 Wavy rapid slide
- 13 Ripple mounds
- 14 In-ground trampolines - each with a different tension
- 15 Balance logs
- 16 Gymnastic turn bars
- 17 Jungle Gym



1:100 @ A3

Design by Adrian Taylor



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Our 'Little A'

The resurfacing of this area (under our mighty oak tree) will be completed over the term break in late September. We have included elements of our cultural narrative and values in this design.

Contact Information

Please ensure we have your most recent contact information, especially phone numbers, as with the potential for snow closure at this time of the year it is important that you are able to receive communications from the school.

**Ngā mihi,
Ginnie and the team**

NEW PUPILS

We welcome the following pupils who joined our school this week: Jayceon, Ezra, Paige and Ariyah.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Scholastic Book Orders – Brochures were sent home last week. Orders close on Friday 9th August and may be made online through the Scholastic LOOP system or by cash or eftpos at the office.

Cultural Festival Tickets - If you would like to purchase Cultural Festival tickets for our performance at Horncastle Arena on Thursday 12th September, here is the Ticketek link <https://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=CULTURAL19>

Community Dental Service – The dental van is now at our school. Only the children who currently require a check-up will be seen at this visit. A Care Plan will be sent home if your child requires follow up care. The call centre number is 0800 846 983 / email comm dental@cdhb.health.nz

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Public Health Nurse Information

Hello my name is Kirstin Lambie and I am the allocated Public Health Nurse for your school. I work with a team of seven other Public Health Nurses. We are all Registered Nurses with knowledge and experience in child and family health. We work with children and families where health and wellbeing concerns impact on their home and school lives.

Please contact me if you have any health concerns for your child. My details are:

Phone 3836877 Ext: 99614, 0275126357, Kirstin.lambie@cdhb.health.nz

PTA NEWS

✂ **Quiz Night – Sold Out!**

✂ **Sausage Sizzle Friday** - Take a day off making lunches - \$2 a sausage, all sausages are gluten free and there are vegetarian options available. Order and pay before school every Friday outside the hall. Struggle to find \$2 in change? Then buy a sausage card \$10 or \$20 eftpos available at cafe.

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- ✂ **Seedy Fundraiser** - Get the jump on spring planting with a hundred popular varieties of flowers, veges or herbs. Prices from \$3.00 a packet. Look out for the order form that came home this week or pick one up from the office. Money and forms to be back by 9am Friday 16th August. All proceeds will help the PTA contribute towards the building of a new playground.



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9:00am, Friday 16th August

COMMUNITY NOTICES

He Poutama Mātauranga – Taking the Next Steps - Ko te kai a te rangatira, he kōrero: Turn stories into conversations, and watch children's language grow! Who doesn't love to sit down and curl up with a good book, or to delight in the pleasure of storytelling? Many of us know the magic books and stories can bring, and the joy of discovering wonderful places and enchanting characters.

There is a large body of research that suggests the way in which stories and conversations are shared with children can have a significant effect on their early literacy skills. The better developed these skills are, the easier, and more enjoyable, reading is likely to be!

He Poutama Mātauranga is a tailor-made programme designed to foster strong early literacy skills. It uses traditional Māori teaching and learning practices, and is run by whānau, for whānau. Offered in both English and te reo Māori, He Poutama Mātauranga consists of a 1.5 - 2 hour workshop teaching whānau the basics of the programme, as well as a kete of tools to support whānau in implementing what they learnt. The programme has been designed to work in with what whānau are already doing - in other words, no

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extra time is needed to incorporate this into a daily routine. The activities can be completed while driving in the car, over kai, or while children are having their bath. For more information, contact Dr Melissa Derby melissaderby@hotmail.com 021 2964606.

Squimoo – Children’s Financial Literacy -

Squimoo is a unique online pocket money

platform that will allow children who receive weekly pocket money or an allowance to divide their earnings into

four areas (under supervision of their parents). The heart of Squimoo lies in its

potential for children to gain experience and knowledge in growing a sustainable approach to their finances. One that allows the user flexibility based upon their own

values. Squimoo has incredible potential to really make an incredible impact on the financial literacy of children in NZ to create financially sustainable and savvy future

generations. Providing a platform for a five-year-old to invest in Shares (under supervision) and watch it grow is going to be an incredible tool – imagine that? To ensure

that when it launches we are offering a product that meets New Zealanders needs we really need to get feedback from parents/caregivers and family who gift money to

children. We are reaching out all over NZ to complete the following survey. Help us create something amazing for our kiwi kids!

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Gzlahg0C-9QdMWol5dtvX8D-QYnQtdiBuMgu7vtkwI0/edit>

Piano Lessons

Would your child like to learn piano but can't get to lessons? They can learn from home! Online lessons suitable for complete beginners aged 3 yrs+ and parents with no previous musical experience.

Watch step-by-step video lessons and get personalised feedback from me using a unique video-upload feature. Optional individual (webcam) lessons also available.



*Katie Dey
Experience Suzuki method
teacher based near Nelson,
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SMC FOR A DAY

Calling all Year 6s!

Come and experience what Middle School at St Margaret's College is all about. From 5-16 August, we are opening our Middle School doors and inviting girls looking to start Year 7 in January 2020 to come and be part of SMC for a day. They'll get teamed up with a buddy and be a part of everything that happens in a typical fun SMC day.

We are also running school tours for parents.

These will run at 8:30am or 2:00pm to tie in with drop-off and pick-up and provide a good opportunity to learn how our Year 7-10 Middle School structure works so well for these important years.

Bookings can be made at: <https://www.stmargarets.school.nz/smc-for-a-day/>
or by calling our registrar, Lizzie Dyer: 03 379 2000

We look forward to welcoming you to St Margaret's College!

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