



Kia ora Dalefield families,

The end of the term is racing up and what a term it's been! From cross-country to paintings to wonderful writing, our children have excelled in so many areas.

Next week our students will be evaluating their progress over the term and setting themselves goals for the coming one.

The LOGO



As you will see above, we have a new school logo! Jade Harbers (Dalefield Year 7 student) designed a logo earlier this term and from her concept, Elton at Gregory Studio in Greytown worked it up to what it is now. Through consensus we all agree

that the design is impressive and we can't wait to see it on our school signage and letterhead. In an upcoming newsletter, Jade will talk about the design process and the imagery.

Our New Library

This is now really close to coming to fruition. As part of the process of reintroducing the library to the students, Quinton Pope from Carterton Library visited the school last week and introduced the Winter Warmers programme. It was really well received and the children are enthusiastically embracing the concept - all with books issued.

The new library will be a multipurpose room. Behind the wall, we will be storing all the school's readers and journals. A huge thank you to the staff sorting and collating all the resources.

Reading Book Amnesty

If you have any Dalefield School reading/library books at home, we would appreciate them back before the end of the term. This will enable us to start afresh next term. Please check bags and bookshelves!

Rural and Teaching Principal's Conference

Apart from a fog-delayed start, I had a fantastic couple of days in Christchurch meeting other principals and visiting small rural schools like ours. I came



away with heaps of new ideas but also with a feeling that we have such a wonderful opportunity at Dalefield to build on the great things we are already doing.

The staff have also had the opportunity to visit other schools. Yesterday we visited Whakarongo School in Palmerston North. At 550 students the school has 10x more students than us but the exciting thing was that we all came away seeing how we can be future-focused and meet the needs of our school and community.

We are all looking forward to the reinstatement of a Board of Trustees at Dalefield and starting on the process of engaging together for our students.

Nga mihi

Eric Daubé

Principal