Dear Parents and Caregivers

We are now ready to share your child's Mid-Year Achievement and Progress Report with you on Friday 10 June. This will be emailed to you directly from SchoolTalk.

The ongoing coronavirus pandemic has had a profound impact on all New Zealand kura. Schools in Auckland have been particularly affected due to numerous cases and extensive lockdowns. It has been uplifting to have our tamariki back in school, busy learning and engaging with their teacher and peers for the last 16 weeks. Teachers have been attending to student's well being and our tamariki are thriving with face to face teaching.

At Silverdale School we use real time reporting through the use of Schootalk, where progressions are marked off as content is taught and when children have achieved them. The reduced time in classrooms for children over the last few years has meant that there have been less opportunities for teachers to teach, observe progress and mark off progressions. For this reason some children may not have made the academic progress that would be expected over this time.

When looking at your child's report you may find that there are specific areas on SchoolTalk where it appears your child is below the expected level, or has made no or limited progress, e.g. Geometry. However, rather than indicating that your child is struggling in this area, it may simply be due to this content not being taught in class yet. The upcoming Learning Conversations next week will be the perfect opportunity for you to discuss this further with your child's teacher.

This report gives a snapshot of where your child is currently at. It will show a graph of achievement outlining how your child is progressing against each of the New Zealand Curriculum expectations for Reading, Writing and Mathematics and three next steps that your child will be working towards.

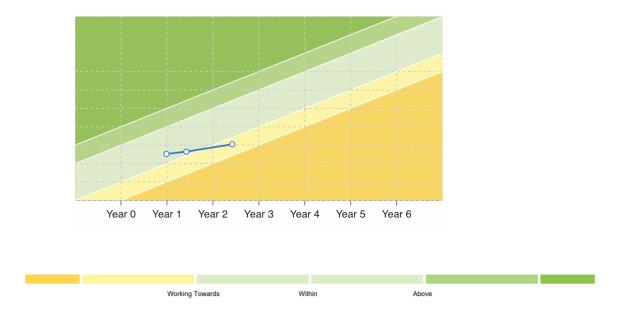
In conjunction with this report we will be holding learning conversations on **Wednesday 15 June and Thursday 16 June.** Please see the school newsletter for further details.

How to read your child's Mid-Year Achievement Report?

Reading, Writing and Mathematics Reporting

The report shows you how your child is achieving against each of the areas of Reading, Writing and Mathematics. The achievement snapshot can be broken into three parts:

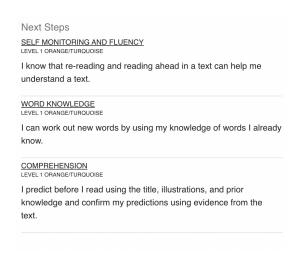
1. The first graph shows your child's achievement on a continuum of working towards the expected level (yellow), working within or working above the expected level (green). As your child moves through the school it will track their progress across each year level. This is displayed by the white dots and the connecting blue line. Please note that the year level at the bottom of the graph indicates the end of that year level.



2. The top blue bar shows the Overall Teacher Judgement of what your child has achieved to date for that subject. The remaining blue bars further break down achievement in each aspect of the curriculum.



3. Your child's **next steps** for learning are detailed in the right hand column of the snapshot. Up to 3 next steps are highlighted for each curriculum area.



By logging into SchoolTalk you can find out further detail on your child's achievement, progress and next steps.

What can I do if I do not receive my child's report via email?

- 1. Please check your spam/junk folder or your promotions folder.
- 2. If you can still not find the report you can access your child's 2022

 Mid-Year Report (and all previous SchoolTalk reports), by logging in to SchoolTalk. Click on reports, the drop down arrow and then click on the report you would like to see. These reports can then be printed or downloaded.

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