

Term1, Week 10 – Wednesday 5 April 2017

Kia ora whanau

We have three major strands of professional development for staff in 2017, maths, enviroschools and self-regulation. In each of these areas we are learning ways to help children be more successful as REAL Learning Heroes.

Let's look at self-regulation. Self-regulation is understood by our Ōtākaro cluster of schools (this includes Chisnallwood, Shirley Boys and Avonside Girls) to mean:

*"The ability to **self-regulate** learning by setting realistic goals, developing strategies to meet learning goals and seeking feedback or support/help from peers and teachers. Learners are able to articulate what their goals and aspirations are, and learn from past mistakes or failures."*

Self-regulation is central to and critical for developing lifelong learners. It is essential if your child is going to manage him or herself as a learner rather than being managed or controlled by you or their school. Having self-regulation strategies will help them to succeed. At school this means children:

- Being supported to develop meaningful learning goals
- Reflecting on their goals
- Having explicit success criteria (How will I know when I am on the right track other than the teacher telling me?)
- Sharing their goals with others
- Self-assessing and using peer assessment
- Developing 'next steps for learning' with the support of teacher

To help your child to be more self-regulated you can:

- Ask your child to talk about their learning goal- even our new entrants will have writing goals such as spaces between words and using first and last sounds
- Ask your child to talk about their REAL Hero Goal
- Develop a goal at home with your child and write it up along with the things that will indicate when they are successful. This could be in relation to their getting organised for school or getting organised when they get home, or a sports goal, or in relation to their bedroom!
- Reflect on the goal with them each day- more importantly encourage them to reflect on it themselves (don't nag!)
- Celebrate success and develop a 'next step' together
- Use mistakes as a learning opportunity (mistake - retake rather than mistake- telling off)

Together we can help your child to be a REAL Learning Hero and succeed with their learning, develop self-regulation and positive hauora (well-being). Finally remember to model goal setting as a parent- this is very powerful. You may be aware of me modelling my kitesurfing goal to the children. Man did I show them my mistakes!

Take care
Neill O'Reilly, Principal

BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE

A lengthy meeting was held last night for Board of Trustee members and the school senior leadership team. The meeting primarily discussed the process for filling the position of Principal.

We have implemented a schedule which allows plenty of time for suitable applicants to apply and be interviewed and meet with our school community if required. At this stage we envisage the new Principal will commence at the start of term 4. During term 3 the school will be led by our very capable senior leadership team - Jacqui Malham, Dianna Reynolds and Kaye Royle.

At Waitākiri School we are a strong community and the essence of our school values means we welcome the thoughts and opinion from the entire school community, throughout this process. We will be sending out a short survey asking our families to select from a list, the attributes, qualities and characteristics they would love to find in our new Principal. The staff representative on the Board, Joy Banks, will go through this process with the school staff and the school leadership team will also survey the students. The survey for families will be sent out next week, for completion over the holidays and we will review the data and feedback during the first week of term 2. We understand people lead busy lives so we have carefully thought out how we can gather your opinions in an easy to complete survey. It is important to the Board that throughout this process we are aware of the community's thoughts and opinions. We strongly encourage you to let us know what you think!

As a Board we were pleased to hear from our Professional Appointment Advisor, Lois Christmas, that we can expect a large number of high calibre applicants due to the very positive profile our school holds around the country and also abroad. Already there is a feeling of excitement within the school sector about the position available at Waitākiri School.

This is a big deal for our school and we are all feeling enthusiastic at the prospect of welcoming someone outstanding to be our new Principal.

Chrissie Balloch, Waitākiri School Board of Trustees - Communications

OTAKARO LEARNING HERO MORNING TEA

Congratulations to the Learning Heroes from Otakaro Studio who had a Learning Hero Morning Tea with Mr O'Reilly last week. Pictured are Riley G, Liam, Kyan, Jensen, Sam, Logan, Malachi, Ben, Riley H, Cole, Ruby and Kate.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY UNIFORM ORDERING & COLLECTION

Uniform orders received by 12 noon Tuesday 25 April 2017 in the school holidays will be available for collection at the school office on Thursday 27 April between 9am – 3pm. Alternatively any orders placed during the school holidays will be bought home by your child on the first day of term 2.

HERITAGE PHOTO ORDERS

Photo orders close on Thursday 13 April at 3.15pm. No late orders will be taken.

PARKING AND DROP OFFS/PICK UPS

At the front of school and at the back gate we encourage use of the 3 minute drop off /pickup zone between the hours of 8.15am – 8.55am and 2.30pm – 3.30pm, Monday to Friday. This is very successful and convenient for parents who do not need to come into the school. If you need to come into the school and stay longer than 3 minutes we ask that you **DO NOT PARK** within this area please.

A reminder also to please do not stop **AT ALL** on the yellow lines either side of the pedestrian crossing. It is illegal to stop on a broken yellow line and in the past two weeks the police have issued five tickets for parking offences. Road safety is everyone's responsibility. Please be considerate.

ENVIRO NEWS

Written by Waitākiri Enviroferns

The rain in recent weeks was great for our orchard and plants around the school.

Notices:

Gardening Club is back for 2017 starting next week on Monday and Thursday. Flynn and Woody will be selling Worm tea this Friday before school for \$2 outside the CHOICE Room.

Around the school:

The Enviro Koru Club and Fronds have been busy at work for the past term working on their entry for the Oderings School Garden Show. This is the first time Waitākiri has entered and they did extremely well. They were awarded a Bronze Mark award for their piece. The theme this year was 'Once upon a time' and they decided to do Maui and the Sun. They worked so hard and it is now up in Te Ao Marama for all of the community to see.



Lucas from the Enviro Fronds also showed the FERNs that he is truly a FERN by coming to school in the weekend and picking up rubbish as well as sweeping and looking after our plants.

Thank you Lucas!



GOING FOR SILVER.... More ~~Nood~~ Food Heroes!



SPORTS NEWS

Dear Parents/Caregivers of Year 5 & 6 children

If your child would like to represent Waitākiri Primary School in the Hagley Winter Sports Competition please read the following. Please note, once your child has committed to Hagley, they are committed for the season (which covers two terms).

The **number of teams will depend on parent/caregiver availability to coach and manage**. Please give this role some consideration. At least one practice a week would be expected. If we have too many children for each sport, we will be holding trials, as we can only enter two teams in each sport.

You will notice we do not have a soccer (football) option as unfortunately at this stage the soccer is planned at A&P show grounds, this is too far and travel time too long to make this viable. We plan offer an in-school competitive soccer team and hope that we might be able to organise a local schools competition. We will update you once we have feedback from the local schools.

Please carefully read the details below, fill out the permission slip, detach and return to the **DROP BOX by the OFFICE by Friday 7 April.**

WHO: Year 5 & 6 children
WHAT: Choice of **ONE** of the following codes: *Rugby, Netball, Hockey*
VENUE: Mainly at **South Hagley Park**
WHEN: Starts Friday 19 May until Friday 25 August
TIME: 1.30pm-2.30pm (playing times for all codes)
COST: This year the school will trial funding the buses to Hagley Park, to support active participation in competitive sport.
TRANSPORT: Buses
UNIFORM: School sport uniform and black shorts. Rugby and Hockey will need to provide own mouthguards. Hockey will need own shin guards. Every child will need suitable footwear and have long hair tied back please.

THE FOLLOWING IS COMPULSORY FOR THESE CODES:

RUGBY: **mouthguards** – no guard = no play
HOCKEY: **mouthguards AND shinpads** - no guard or shin pads = no play
NETBALL **no jewellery – including newly pierced ears**

Thank you for your support and co-operation. You will receive a confirmation letter prior to start date.

Yours sincerely, Roanne Riordan & Kent Burnard, P E Team

HAGLEY PERMISSION SLIP:

(please return to the DROP BOX by the MAIN OFFICE by Friday 7 April)

My child _____ of Studio _____ has my permission to participate in the Hagley Winter sport competition.

My child would like to play: (please tick ONE)	PLAY	I would like to coach: (please tick ONE)	COACH	I would like to manage: (please tick ONE)	MANAGE
Rugby		Rugby		Rugby	
Netball (5 or 7 aside) TBC		Netball		Netball	
Hockey		Hockey		Hockey	

Parents name: _____ Mobile (essential): _____

Signed: _____ E-mail: _____

McDonalds Duathlon

Well done to the Waitākiri students who competed in the McDonalds Duathlon on Saturday! Fantastic to see our children taking part in such a great event. Pictured right are some of our students who entered the event and competed in the run and cycle.



Sports Uniforms

All sports uniforms are to be returned, in a washed and clean condition please into the sports uniform box in the CHOICE Room before the end of this term please. Thank you.

Cowles Miniball Competition Term 1 2017



Thursday, 6 Apr 2017

Date/Time	Cowles 1	Cowles 2
3:30 PM	Cowles Miniball TB/TF Pool Waitakiri Lakers Miniball vs Marshland Makos Miniball	Cowles Miniball TB/TF Pool Bromley Bulls Miniball vs Te Pa Miniball
4:00 PM	Cowles Miniball A Grade Waitakiri Breakers Miniball vs Marshland Magic Miniball	Cowles Miniball R/W Pool Bromley Breakers Miniball vs Banks Ave Bouncers Miniball
4:30 PM	Cowles Miniball A Grade Waitakiri Breakers Miniball vs Queenspark Gold Miniball	Cowles Miniball B/S Pool Shirley Thunder Miniball vs Banks Ave Slammers Miniball
5:00 PM	Cowles Miniball R/W Pool Waitakiri Bulls Miniball vs Queenspark Maroon Miniball	Cowles Miniball B/S Pool CBA Hoops Squad vs Queenspark Blue Miniball

The Canterbury Rams are offering our students and their families \$10 tickets. If you would like to purchase these, please email office@waitakiri.school.nz with your child's name and how many tickets you would like by the end of Tuesday 11 April. Payment must be sent to the school office by this day. No payment, no ticket. Cash only sales please. Tickets will be sent home with your child on Thursday 13 April.

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TICKETS**

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**\$10 tickets
available for all students and families
in your team or school**

FIND OUT MORE

Help Us Unfreeze our School Funding

We're working together as educators to speak up for quality public education and share the message that our schools and early childhood services need better funding. **We would love it if you could come along and show your support** by signing our petition for better funding for schools, which is also available online: <http://betterfunding.org.nz/supportstaff/>

Educators won the battle against bulk funding of schooling last year because we came together with our communities to say no. This election year, our goal is for every political party to make increased funding of public education their top priority. Come join us!

The Petition will be available in the Choices Room on the bench by the cafe and also in the Oscar Room.

Postcards are also available to post free of charge to Ministry Of Education.

Help us win better funding and unfreeze the operations grant for our schools. All schools especially need more funding for teacher aide hours to help our children.

Thank you for your help

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Do you have any Waitākiri School uniform that you no longer need?

You can donate, sell or swap unwanted items. All profits will go to the school PTA.

Please phone or text Norma on 027 312 5522 or email oceandivine@xtra.co.nz

Please bring the uniform to the school office in a plastic bag with your name, contact phone number and email address. Norma will then contact you.

There will be a stall at school next term which will be advertised in this newsletter. Prices will be reasonable. Thank you.

LUNCHTIME CLUBS....

Junior e-learning club where our senior students assist the juniors with their digital technology each week.



Waitakiri Primary School

April 2017

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

We are excited to be offering you the opportunity to purchase 2017|2018 Christchurch Entertainment™ Memberships to help us raise funds for PTA fundraising. The Entertainment™ Memberships are available as a Book (with a gold card and vouchers) or as a Digital Membership that puts all the offers in the book, on your smartphone to redeem at the touch of a button.

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Need more than one? Extra memberships can be purchased either online or using the enclosed form.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Danielle Thompson, email danielle.thompson.nz@gmail.com.

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Danielle Thompson

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*CVV is the 3 digits on the back of your credit card

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psychological services for children and their families

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What's going on in their Brains &
Strategies to cope with changes
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Primary School (Hall)

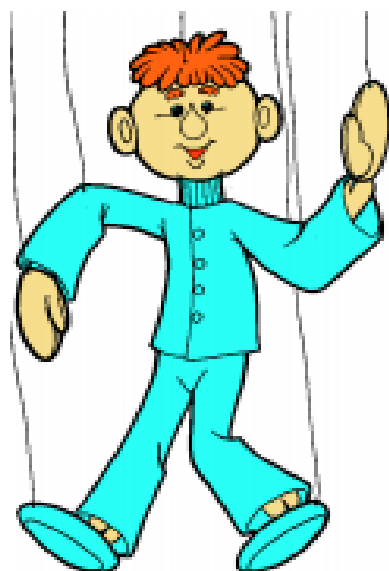
170 Burwood Road

7-9 pm Monday 10th April.

Gold Coin donation on Door Please..

COMMUNITY NOTICES

"Let the Show Begin"



OSCAR Holiday Programme

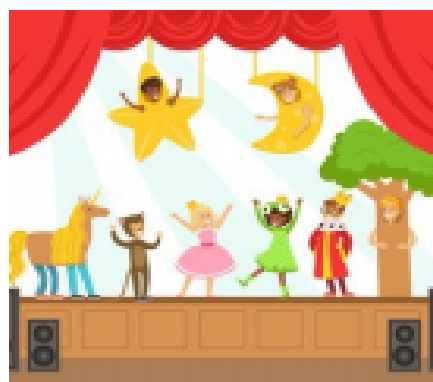
18th-21st April 2017

9am - 3pm daily - \$140.00 per week
(Daily Bookings \$40 per day)

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

WINZ subsidies apply
Gymsports Programme

For ages 5 -12 years



Holiday Programme activities:

Tuesday: Get to know you games, gymnastics, Pick our shows, mini games.

Wednesday: Trampoline (bring white socks), crafts-puppets, giant games.

Thursday: Gymnastics, baking - cheese rolls, practice puppet shows.

Friday: Show time. Trampoline (bring white socks). Shared lunch, games.

**For more information or to enroll please see our website
www.csg.org.nz or phone us on 03 3886616**

THE CHRISTCHURCH CIRCUS TRUST

PRESENTS

CIRCUS OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 15TH APRIL 1 - 3PM



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photo booth | bouncy castle | games | bunnies

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Waitākiri School (Burwood Rd)

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Contact **Ann** on **027 6636934**



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