

Term1, Week 4 – Wednesday 22 February 2017

Kia ora families and whanau,

It's all about your child! This week they have a chance to share their learning, their goals and together we (parents/whanau and teachers) can meet to support your child to be the best he or she can be.

Following feedback in 2016 we have set aside specific time for:

- Your child to speak and share some learning
- You to speak and share your aspirations, concerns or ask questions
- Your child's teacher to speak about goals and next steps

We want it to be an open and frank conversation so that together we can support and challenge your child as a REAL Learning Hero.

The first sessions start at 3:30pm today. Please make sure you take 15 minutes of your time to support your child and your child's teacher. *Please note* that these meetings are 15 mins ONLY. Out of respect to other families and teachers (as children and families move from one teacher to another) we will be sticking to the time limits. If you find the time limit constraining we can make another time for you to talk for longer.

Amongst our emergency supplies we stock cans of food, so that if we had an emergency where staff, parents or children needed to stay at school we have a food supply. In order to maintain this we ask that each family donate a can of food please. The likes of tinned fruit, baked beans, spaghetti, etc are ideal. There will be a 'food bin' in the foyer this week and next for you to place this in. Thank you in advance.

Chisnallwood Intermediate has very kindly offered to our parents/whanau an information session about Cyber Safety and ideas to keep your child safe on the internet. This is free to you and a fantastic way to be informed. Please see the flyer on the next page and put in your diaries as a 'must'!

Lastly, has anyone got any wood offcuts to share please? We need them for our Tinkering with Tools area. Please contact Woody if you can help!

Many thanks, enjoy the rest of your week.

Neill O'Reilly
Principal

REMINDER - School closing early

Tomorrow, Thursday 23 February, school will be closing at the earlier time of 12.30pm as interviews will start at 1.30pm. If you cannot arrange for your child to be collected at this earlier time, please contact the school office by phone 3832736, txt 027 2023543, tiqbiz or email office@waitakiri.school.nz OSCAR will operate as per usual from 3pm on both days.

FREE Cyber Safety presentation



Are you a parent/guardian concerned about how your child uses the internet or mobile phone?

Cybercrime is a very real issue facing families in NZ, but there are easy practical steps to help prevent it. **(ORG)** invites you to a presentation on the issues and dangers associated with the inappropriate use of computers, mobile phones and the internet.

Venue: Chisnallwood Intermediate
Breezes Rd, Avondale

Date & Time: Tuesday 28 February
From 7 – 8pm in the hall

Hosted by NZ Cyber Security expert John Parsons who gives you real life examples of children who have been affected by cybercrime. You will leave with the knowledge to help, support and protect your family.



www.s2e.co.nz

...protecting people online

Topics covered

Online grooming
Sexting
Damaged reputations
Cyber bullying
Reputation Management
Learning to repel & report
Future proofing for employment

Educating young people to understand the value of identity is the first step to using ICT safely

Educating young people to respect and protect friends and family identity is the second step

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 right are Amber, Josh, Jaide, Sinead, Theo, Sophie, Kayla, Reuben, Molly, Sam, Caleb and Rhys.



PICNIC WITH THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to the Learning Heroes who had a Picnic with Mr O'Reilly last week. Pictured left are Renee, Melissa, Lucy, Giovanni, Malachi and Courtney.



Congratulations to the Learning Heroes who had a Picnic with Mr O'Reilly yesterday. Pictured right are Lexi, Lucan, Jeston, Debra and Charli.



LOST PROPERTY

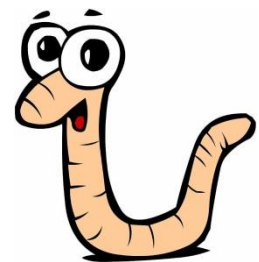
There is lots and lots of lost property..... Uniform, hats, togs, towels.....Please ask your child to check the lost property box outside the CHOICE Room if they have misplaced anything.

ENIVROFERNS Waitakiri Worm Tea for sale

Great for indoor and outdoor plants!

\$2 for 2 litres of concentrate tea....makes 20 litres!

Selling each Friday from 8.30am outside the CHOICE Room



Christmas Holiday Library Books

These are now well overdue and must be returned to the library.

Please help your children find these books and return them.

Children cannot issue any more books when they have overdue books.

Thank you for your help with this

Mrs Stevenson, Librarian

OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIVEMENT

The Surf Lifesaving 2017 South Island Champs were held in Dunedin this last weekend. Lucas (pictured right) won three medals! Gold for Sprint Relays, Gold for Board Relays and Silver for the Run Swim Run event. Well done Lucas – fantastic effort!





Enviro News



Left to right back row - Oliver, Bradley, Shelby, Jessie

Left to right front row - Rosa, Mia, Flynn

These are 2017 Enviro FERNs leaders

This year Waitakiri School is "Going for Silver

We will be focusing on establishing sustainable practices.

This is a whole school initiative. It requires our school community to be involved and support us through out the year.

Look out for our updates in the school newsletter and in our Blog

FERNs stands for **F**riends of the **E**nvironment. We show **R**espect for **N**ature and **S**ustainability. The fern grows on the **land (Whenua)**, It requires **Water (Wai)** to grow into the **Sky (Rangi)** around us.

Like us, the fern starts life small (Koru) and gets bigger (Frond) and bigger. (Fern)

The children begin as "Koru of the Fern" and as Y5 they become the "Fronds of the Fern". Our Y6 Enviro Leaders represent the Fern.

We want all Waitākiri children to become Friends of the Environment and show Respect for Nature and practise Sustainability.

NOOD FOOD HEROES

Look at these awesome 'Nood Food' kids! We are aiming for an Enviroschools Silver award this year.....and what a great start! Keep going with that Nood Food everyone!





Treasure our Children



Children's Day 2017
Mufti Day

When: Monday 6th March 2017

We are having a mufti day on Monday 6th March to raise money for our sponsor child Irene. Irene lives in the Eastern part of Kenya with her mother and two sisters, her mother struggles to make enough money to support her family. Your gold coin donation will help her Mum to provide food, blankets and water to keep her family alive. Please give your donation to your homebase teacher and the Student Council will come round and collect them after school starts.

WAITAKIRI SCHOOL FUND RAISER PHOTO SHOOT!

NZ Family Portraits are holding a photo shoot at Waitakiri School!



DATE: Sunday 5 March 2017

We have arranged to take your 10x13" (253x330mm) colour or black/white Family Portrait normally valued at \$70.00 for only **\$15.00** This is absolutely Great Value!! Other Photos are available. Family, friends, neighbours, relatives all welcome, even the family dog may like to join in.

The venue is Waitakiri School. We will confirm your appointment time. It is important to keep to the appointment time to ensure minimal delay. An adult member of the family or group must be in the photo. Viewing and collection of your portrait will be approximately 10 days later.

For Bookings and Enquiries –

Shoot Coordinator – Amie Lines - text only - 021 1092 027

Email – amie.lines@me.com

The bearer of this voucher is entitled to receive one 253mm x 330mm (10" x 13") **FAMILY PORTRAIT**. Please note – customers must view their own portraits or offer is void, no refund will be made if you fail to keep appointment.

Important : this voucher may NOT be used to photograph children unless taken with parent or guardian

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Please register by returning this voucher with \$15.00 ASAP to the shoot coordinator.

Name _____ Address _____

Phone _____ Mobile _____ Email _____

If you would like a paper copy of this notice, please collect one from the PTA notice board
In the CHOICE Room

SPORTS NEWS



There will be a meeting spot for Waitākiri School students who are participating in the Weetbix TRYathlon at Jellie Park on 26 February. Look for our tent and flags when you get there! All the best to our fantastic TRYathletes who are “Giving it a TRY!”

Cowles Miniball Competition Term 1 2017



We’ve split teams into Four Pools to try and give each team competitive games each week, with all teams playing once each week **(except for a highlighted team, which will play twice)**. The Lakers will play twice this week for me to see which grade is more appropriate for them.

Dates of Play:

23 February
16 March

2 March
6 April

9 March
13 April

A Grade	Tall Blacks and Tall Ferns Pool	Breakers and Sirens	Rams and Wildcats Pool
Marshland Magic	Bromley Bulls	CBA Hoops Squad	Banks Ave Bouncers
Queenspark Gold	Marshland Makos	Banks Ave Slammers	Bromley Breakers
Waitākiri Breakers	Te Pā	Queenspark Blue	Queenspark Maroon
Waitākiri Lakers?	Waitākiri Lakers?	Shirley Thunder	Waitākiri Bulls
Format:	Format:	Format:	Format:
Double round robin.	Double round robin.	Double round robin.	Double round robin.

Thursday, 23 February 2017

Tipoff Time	Cowles Court One	Cowles Court Two
3:30	Queenspark Gold	Waitākiri Breakers
	Marshland Magic	Waitākiri Lakers (Double Header)
4:00	Banks Ave Slammers	Bromley Bulls
	CBA Hoops Squad	Waitākiri Lakers (Double Header)
4:30	Queenspark Blue	Te Pā
	Shirley Thunder	Marshland Makos
5:00	Banks Ave Bouncers	Bromley Breakers
	Waitākiri Bulls	Queenspark Maroon

COMMUNITY NOTICES

HIGHLAND DANCING CLASSES



Highland Dancing classes for Boys and Girls are held at the Caledonian Hall, 5 Michelle Road, Wigram, commencing on Saturday, the 1st April. All new entrants should be at the hall by 9.30am for a starting time of 9.45am. Boys and Girls from Age 5 years upwards plus any that are due to turn 5 in the near future will be very welcome. This year we are making a special drive to attract more boys to join our many young female dancers. The learning of Highland Dancing contributes to children's bodily strength, musical appreciation and co-ordination, as well as providing the opportunity to socialise with their peers. Highland Dancing can become a life-time interest. All information on our classes can be obtained by emailing calyhighland@paradise.net.nz or c.cole@clear.net.nz or visiting our facebook page – Canterbury Caledonian Society Highland Dancing or the Canterbury Caledonian Society website – Highland Dancing. Our Caledonian Society Classes are kept at a minimal cost to accommodate family budgets. All enquiries will be welcomed.

HIGHLAND DANCING IS FUN!

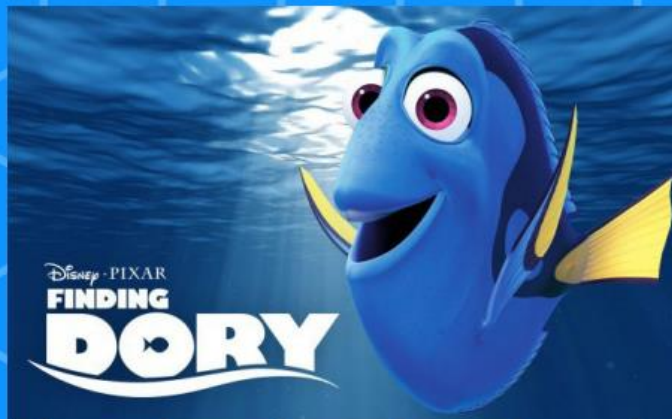
Family Movie Night

Saturday 25th February

Bring your own Dinner
from 5.45pm.

Movie Starts 6.30pm

Snacks and Drinks
available for purchase.



180 Queenspark Drive
Parklands

ASHGROVE
badminton
CLUB

ANY ability.
ANY skill.
ANYBODY.

EXCELLENT COACHING AND INSTRUCTIONS PROVIDED

Next Session: Starting 27th February
Juniors 7pm to 8 pm
Adults 8pm to 10pm

Location:
Aurora Girls High School Gym
180 Reynolds Drive
Christchurch

Juniors only during the school term
(6 to age of 16 years old)

DES GEE
021 035 0443
des1981@gmail.com
www.ashgrovebadminton.com



Christchurch Netball Centre are running an ANZ futureFERNs FUN Have A Go Day for all children in Years 1-6.

This event is free and showcases the ANZ futureFERNs programmes for Years 1-2, Years 3-4 and Years 5-6.

Parents, caregivers and potential coaches welcome.

Information about the programmes will be available as well as information about clubs in Christchurch and ways you can be involved in Junior Netball.

To register simply follow the link : <http://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/50158>

PARKLANDS BOWLING CLUB

For School children in years
5/6 and 7/8 and attending
school in the East of
Christchurch.

FAST DOUBLE 5
- 2017

Entry via Bowls Canterbury website:
http://www.bowlscanterbury.co.nz/Category/ActionView/Category_id=3050

Rnd 1 Sun 12th March 10am - 12pm
Rnd 2 Sun 19th March 10am - 12pm
Rnd 3 Sun 27th March 10am - 12pm

Canterbury Schools' Sailing Regatta

The Regatta is to be held at the Mount Pleasant Yacht Club on Monday the 3rd of April at 10.30am.

Students compete both for individual recognition and for the overall Top school Team Trophies for school with 3 or more entries.

Entries are made individually by the students online through the link in the attached Notice of race.

Further enquiries please contact Steve McIntosh on 0272797424 or email: macintoshsteve2@gmail.com