

22nd October 2025

Term 4. Week 3.

Principal's Corner - te iwi tahi tatou - we are one family



Kia ora e te whānau



Empowering Connected Lifelong Learners

You may have seen in the media, talk of the NZEI teacher union member strike on Thursday 23rd October. We have now had formal notification that the strike will be proceeding. As we will not have enough non-union staff to safely look

after our pupils the Board of Trustees have decided that the school will be closed to all pupils on Thursday 23rd October. Thank you for making alternative arrangements for your children. We understand this is inconvenient and we appreciate your support.

Matt Stanley

Principal Churton Park School.

90 Churton Drive

Churton Park

Wellington 6037

Phone 04 478 4282

Contact School

Heelys at School

We have noticed an increasing number of children wearing Heelys at school. These shoes are a safety hazard in the classroom. If your child wants to wear their Heelys please

make sure they have another pair of shoes for wearing in the classroom. Heelys are only to be worn when the children are playing outside at morning tea & lunchtimes.

Northern Zone Athletics

Congratulations to all our ākonga who competed in the Northern Zone Athletics competition on Monday. You all gave it your best in challenging wind conditions, with some amazing results.

We are so proud of all of you. Thank you to all the parents for transporting and supporting everyone and a hugeTHANK YOU to Sarah Brown for all the organisation involved.

New Scooter Track!

Over the weekend we had a new addition to our school for the tamariki - a scooter track! Our tamariki will be able to put all their driving skills to the test with roundabouts, intersections, give ways, stop signs and pedestrian



The track runs in both directions around the school hall and is designed for scooters only (sorry, no bikes during school hours). Children must wear their helmets while riding their scooters.

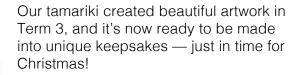








Home & School Association - Fundraising - Orders Close Tonight





You can order your child's artwork printed on a range of products, including:

Calendars - \$16 Cards - \$16

Diaries - \$19

Mouse Mats - \$17

Sketch Pads - \$17

These make wonderful gifts for whanau

and friends, while also supporting our school's fundraising efforts.

Order online by 11:59pm, Wednesday 22nd October.

Thank you for supporting the Home and School Association in raising funds for our school. Every order helps us provide the best resources and opportunities for our tamariki! If you would like to see some samples of the products before making an order, you can visit the school office.

Term 4 Policy Review

Health, Safety and Welfare All reviewers

- 1. Visit the website https://churtonpark.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm
- 2. Enter the username (churtonpark) and password (learningforlife).
- 3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- 4. Read the policy.
- 5. Click the Start your review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- 6. Select the reviewer type.
- 7. Enter your name (optional).

- 8. Follow the prompts to show that you've read the topic and enter your feedback if you'd like to comment.
- 9. Agree to the privacy statement and click "Submit review".

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

Canterbury University Kiwi Competition Results

Every year, our Year 5 & 6 students are offered the opportunity to participate in the Canterbury University Kiwi Competition Exams in English, Maths & Science.

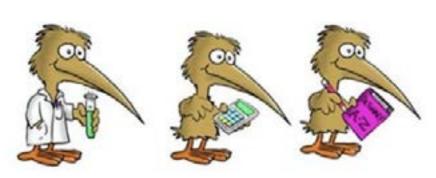
We are very proud of all our students and are thrilled to share their results with you.

Well done to everyone.

Distinction 99.5+ Excellence 90-99 Merit 75 - 89 Achieved 50 - 74 Participation 0 - 49

Angela Deng

Allison Su



English	Maths	Science
Excellence	Excellence	Excellence
Urvit Karlekar Tessa Rodgers Dominic Wilson	Alex Dowle Advaith Mylapur Angela Deng Joshua Li	Alex Dowle Advaith Mylapur Richardt Pretorius
Merit	Merit	Merit
Gemma Eggleton Elena Harrison Arielle Hendra Advaith Mylapur	Urvit Karlekar Mayesha Jaiswal Alva Kern Aadya Anath Kumar	Tessa Rodgers

Edward Li

Tessa Rodgers Keiichi Usama

Urgently Seeking Road Patrol Volunteers for Wednesday Afternoons!

We're putting out an urgent call for parents to help with road patrol on Wednesday afternoons. Our dedicated team of volunteers is currently short-staffed, and we need your support to ensure the safety of our students crossing the road after school.

The road patrol plays a critical role in keeping our children safe. Without enough adult supervision, we run the risk of not being able to operate the patrol effectively, which puts our ākonga in a vulnerable position.

If you have some time to spare on Wednesdays, your help would make a huge difference. You'll be trained on everything you need to know, and the commitment is only for a short time from 2.50pm - 3.10pm.

Please consider lending a hand. Your support is vital for keeping our school community safe. If you can help, please contact Liz McLean as soon as possible.



Keeping Our Streets Safe and Accessible







Thank you!







The area outside the school on Churton Drive is a Drop-off and Pick-up zone only from 8am - 9am and 2.30pm - 3.30pm. This means you are not allowed to park and leave your vehicle during this time. If the zone is full please do not wait in the middle of the road with your indicator on as this blocks other traffic and causes more frustration. Please drive farther up the road and park or go around the block and try again. We all want to keep our streets safe for everyone.

We've heard from many residents in Cranwell Street and Dormar Place about a recurring issue that's causing significant frustration: illegal and inconsiderate parking. We know that school drop-off and pick-up times can be hectic, but we're seeing an increasing number of parents parking on yellow lines or blocking neighbors' driveways.

This isn't just an inconvenience;

it's a safety hazard. Parking on yellow lines obstructs the flow of traffic, making it dangerous for children and other pedestrians. Furthermore, when driveways are blocked, it can prevent residents from leaving their homes for essential appointments, work, or emergencies. This can be incredibly stressful and frustrating for your neighbours.

Please take a moment to consider the impact of your

parking choices. We ask for your cooperation in keeping our community safe and accessible for everyone. Please make sure you are not parking on yellow lines or blocking driveways. By parking responsibly, you'll help ensure a smooth and safe experience for all of us.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sunhats, T-Shirts & Hoodies

As part of our Sunsmart policy all children at Churton Park School are required to wear a sunhat when they are outside during Terms 1 & 4.

Order your items now

Sunhats can be purchased from NZ
Uniforms either online or at their Porirua
shop. Please make sure you have a school
sunhat for your child. If your child has
the old style sunhat they can continue to
wear them but if your child still needs a
school sunhat, please make sure you have
purchased one as soon as possible.
Sunhats, T-shirts & Hoodies can be
purchased using this link https://churtonpark.nzuniforms.com/catalog/uniform-1107113.htmx







Order Here

Please remember to advise us of Absences



Please keep us in the loop

This year we must report any absences to the Ministry of Education daily.

This means that if you do not tell us why your child is away they will be marked as truant.

If your child is going to be away from school for any reason - illness, appointments, travel, funerals etc - it is very important that you let the office know, so we can account for all our students.

The office will let the classroom teacher know your child is absent. Often teachers can be away sick or on

a course and do not have access to their emails.

If you receive a text from the school looking for your child, please respond. You are able to report an absence in several ways:



Ways to report an Absence

Call - 04 4784282 ext 1

Text - 0274 295 477

Eml - absence@churtonpark.school.nz

Web - www.churtonpark.school.nz

Hero - download the app



ALL WELCOME Thursday 30th October 9:55am in the Hall for our final KAPA HAKA PERFORMANCE



Ākonga Māori

Our Māori students enjoy time together singing waiata, practicing ti rākau/stick games, poi and sharing their mihi/speech (where they are from and their name).

This week we had a special guest Adam Rikihana. He was one of our kaiako/teachers for Kapa Haka a few years back and returned from Australia to visit his mokopuna; Isaiah & Elliana.

The Kapa Haka ākonga/students thanked Adam by performing the Haka written by our Kapa Haka kaiako/teacher Matua Todd and performed at the recent Kapa Haka festival.



We welcome any interested parents who would like to join us on Monday 12-12:30pm.

Email or talk to Whaea Mac: carlam@churtonpark.school.nz





Is your child turning 5 in 2026 or 2027?



Help us to plan ahead

To help with our planning for the rest of this year and next year please let the school office know if the following things apply to you:

- Live In-Zone and have a new entrant child who turns 5 in 2026 and you are yet to preenrol with the school office
- If you live In-Zone but have a child attending another school but intend to enrol at Churton Park School in 2025 or 2026
- If you live Out-of-Zone with a child enrolled at Churton Park School and have a child turning 5 in 2026 or 2027
- If you have a friend, family member or neighbour that does not recieve these newsletters but may fall into one of the above catergories,

please ask them to contact the school as soon as possible by either dropping in to the office, by phone 04 478 4282, email office@churtonpark.school.nz with their child's name, date of birth and your address or by completing an online enrolment form on our website www.churtonpark.school.nz
This information is crucial as we plan for the future.

Contact School

Upcoming Events & Reminders for Your Calendar:

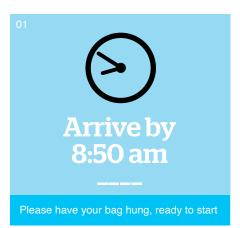


Friday 10th October Swimming begins for Years 0,
 1 & 2 every Friday until 21st
 November

- Thursday 23rd October Teachers Strike - school closed to all students
- Thursday 30th October Year
 5 Zoo OvernightTrip
- Friday 14th November -Newlands Intermediate
 Orientation Day for enrolled students - Bus leaving
 @8.40am from CPS
- Monday 24th Friday 28th November - Pack The Bus is coming

- Thursday 11th December -Year 6 Graduation evening
- End of Term 4 Wednesday
 17th December 12.30pm
- Term 1 2026 begins Monday 2nd February

School times and Signing In or Out





School Hours -

Children can arrive at school from 8.30am and should be at school by 8.50am so they have time to put their bags away and get settled ready for school to begin at 9am. If your child arrives after 9am or you are collecting your child for any reason before 3pm they must sign in or out on the IPad at the office.

Save time order lunches online





Lunchonline.co.nz

School Lunches can be purchased online at Lunchonline.co.nz, Families: Take the hassle out of your morning rush and order a school lunch with us. Find out how by scanning the QR Code seen left. Our menu's consist of products from suppliers in our vicinity including, sushi, bakery foods, fusion foods. Lunches are delivered to the school office for your child to collect at lunchtime.

Our KellyClub Before/After school-care programme

Time to join the club:

At Kelly Club Churton Park, we provide quality before - and after-school and holiday programme care. Our programmes are packed with fun activities including cooking, discovery, sports, arts and crafts. We also offer flexible payment plans and same-day booking and cancellations. Visit www.kellyclub.co.nz for bookings and any further information. Click the link below.

KellyClub













Our Values

At CPS we believe and practise the following values daily at school



Eke Panuku - Success



Pou manawaora - Resilience

Ngahau Fun Have you ever wondered how you can help your community and those in dire need?

Have you wondered how to meet community-minded people and have your own efforts supported and magnified?

Lions may be the answer!

Do you care about your community and wish to help others?

Meet Karori Lions

Wednesday 19th November 7.30 – 8.30 pm At the Karori Park Sports Club 400 Karori Road

Light refreshments

Admission free



Find out

- Who we are
- What we do

Tell us what more we can do Let us know if you wish to help Maybe think about joining us 😊

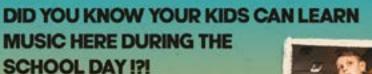


Karori Lions are a diverse group of men and women of all ages with a common interest in helping those in need and help our community thrive. We are part of a worldwide network of Lions Clubs.

Lions - Ordinary people making an extraordinary difference

Our Public Notices Section. 2





LEARN: Guitar, Ukulele, Drums, Keyboard – or try them all in our Intro to Music class (Y1–2)**

GROUP LESSONS: Up to 5 students, with personalised teaching & fun with mates.

INTERACTIVE WORKBOOKS: Created by our musicians for easy at-home practice.

\$225 PER TERM*
YOU'LL LEARN ON OUR MUSIC BUS OR IN A SCHOOL SPACE
VISIT: WWW.GTMA.CO.NZ



Big Energy? Then Big-Air is for You!

BIGAIR GYMSPORTS & CHEERLEADING

Ready to flip, tumble, and soar? Bigair Gym is the ultimate destination for kids who want to learn cool skills, achieve and build unstoppable confidence! Whether it's cartwheels, flips, tramp tricks, or parkour, Bigair Gyms action packed classes combine fun, fitness, and focus, in a safe, supportive space.

Classes to Help Your Child Shine:

Crashmat Kids Sessions (walking-4 years) – Great for little ones to become familiar with the gym.

Pocket Rockets Gym Classes (3-4 years) – Start building coordination and confidence early!

Gravity Busters Gym Classes (5+ years) – Learn the fundamentals of gymnastics and tumbling.

Team Extreme Gym Classes (Advanced) – Take your skills to the next level!

Free Running (5+ years) – Parkour + flips = epic agility and body control.

Trampoline (5+ years) – Boost spatial awareness and acrobatic abilities.

Recreational Cheerleading (5+ years) – Strength, flexibility, performance—Cheer style!
Tumbling (5+ years) – Learn walkovers, handsprings & aerials—perfect for Cheerleaders and Dancers wanting to boost flexibility and stage skills.

Hurry – Book Online Now for Term 3 Before Spaces Run Out at www.bigairgym.co.nz! Don't miss out on the chance to help your child grow, achieve, learn, and have fun at Bigair Gym!

Contact us at: Bigair Gym Tawa: ph. 232 3508, e. office@ bigairgym.co.nz at 10b Surrey Street, Tawa.

Email Big Air Gym

Book online for Term 4

Gym Classes at Big Air Gym

W. www.bigairgym.co.nz

C. 04 232 3508,

E. office@bigairgym.co.nz

A. 10b Surrey Street, Tawa.

Public Notices Section. 3



SPRING INTO ACTION!

This weekly programme gives children the skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings, Giving them the confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future. Starts Wednesday 15 October 2025 for 8 weeks.

www.kellysports.co.nz

Public Notices Section, 4



DancePointe Academy

Ballet/Tap/Muscial Theatre after-school classes at St Francis are available to give your child the opportunity to have fun learning the joy of dance. Beginners welcome of all ages from 4 years old for Ballet. A new fun Tap class on a Saturday morning available for beginner girls & boys. Tap shoes available. Musical Theatre Class on a Thursday for 5 to 6 year olds. A free trial class for these two classes for Boys and Girls is available for the first class. Enroll now for term 4.

Contact Sharon
dancepointenz@gmail.com
www.dancepointe.co.nz
mobile 021-2151222



Join the Kids' Kaukau Challenge!

Come along to the Kids' Kaukau Challenge on Sunday 9th November — a 4.6km family-friendly run/walk for kids aged 4 to 18 to the top of Mt Kaukau and back, followed by fun, food, and festivities at Khandallah School.

Register now at https://events.barefootsport.co.nz/event/1205. Early bird registrations before 19th October include a personalised race bib. Find out more here: https://khandallah.school.nz/a/RIpXDh7.

There's a prize for the participants from the school with the most registrations, so get your friends together and sign up today!

Our Public Notices Section, 5





Public Notices Section. 6



Draw It Out Parents block course

For parents of neurodivergent children

Care for yourself so you can care for others by processing your emotions using a gentle powerful tool, Interactive Drawing Therapy.

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM 0 4 WORKSHOPS

THUR 13 NOV, THUR 20 NOV, THUR 27 NOV, THUR 4 DEC Metaphors for feelings | Uncovering needs | Self-compassion | Curiosity in direction

\$46 per session (\$184 total)

BOOK: events.humanitix.com/draw-it-out-parents-nov-2025

2/105 High St, Lower Hutt. No art skills needed. drawitout.co.nz



Draw It Out Teen workshop

Strengthening self-resources

Learn how to listen to your feelings & find guidance from within, using a gentle powerful tool called Interactive Drawing Therapy.

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM PTUESDAY 25 NOVEMBER

\$46 pp BOOK:

events.humanitix.com/draw-it-out-teens-workshop-25-nov 2/105 High St, Lower Hutt. No art skills needed. drawitout.co.nz.



FREE trial for the first 2 weeks.



LEARN NAM WAH PAI KUNG FU - Kung Fu (Chinese Martial Arts).

Learn a dynamic self-defence system, improve your fitness and flexibility. Great for families, children, teenagers and adults - all are welcome.

Where: Cashmere Ave School Hall (Khandallah Club)

When: Training times are Tuesday 6.00-7.30pm & Thursday 6.00-7.30pm

For more information please contact Brian Lee (6th degree/dan black belt, Deputy Chief Instructor NZ) on 027 432 0079 or Email: namwahpaikungfu@gmail.com to see a demonstration on youtube look up Brian Lee Nam Wah Pai Or alternatively, feel free to come to training.



NEUROSCIENCE FOR PARENTS

- Small groups DON'T MISS OUT
- Half-day seminar
- Practical, take home strategies
- Interactive and personalised

NOVEMBER 12[™]

- @ MARANUI CLUB LOUNGE, LYALL BAY
- 9-12pm Primary Aged Children
- 1-4pm : Adolescents
- Limited numbers 10 per group
- \$115 per person / per half day session

FURTHER INFO kathryn@engagetraining.co.nz

