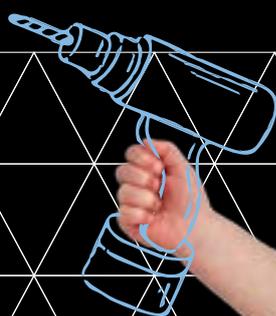


for our

# Family Friends & Whānau

of **Churton Park School** ESTD 1975



Zoe, 5  
Builder in the making



## administration.

4th February 2026

Term 1. Week 1.

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

#### Empowering Connected Lifelong Learners

Kia ora e te whānau

#### Welcome Back

Welcome back & welcome to our new families. We hope that you have all had a happy & relaxing holiday break. It has been wonderful over the last few days to see all the happy, smiling faces returning for another fun year.

Thank you to all the families who joined us for Whānau Morning on Thursday, this was a great opportunity to meet your teacher, explore your classroom and drop off your stationery ready for the first day of term



**Matt Stanley**

Principal  
Churton Park School.

90 Churton Drive

Churton Park

Wellington 6037

Phone 04 478 4282

Contact School

# Welcome to our new kaiako/ teachers



**Fiona Boag**  
joins our Kenepuru  
Stream Team



**Georgia Avery**  
joins our Ponga  
Grove Team



**Maddie Boyes**  
joins our Lower  
Tōtara Ridge Team



**Sharon Gibson**  
Joins our Lower  
Tōtara Ridge team  
as Hub Leader for  
Yr 2 & 3



**Madison Bole**  
joins our Pukehuia  
Team



**Carina Tiffen**  
joins our Pukehuia  
Team as Hub  
Leader for Yr 4 - 6

## 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](mailto:absence@churtonpark.school.nz)

Web - [www.churtonpark.school.nz](http://www.churtonpark.school.nz)

Hero - download the app

# Welcome to our new Ākonga



Kenepuru Stream



Kenepuru Stream



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Kenepuru Stream



Kenepuru Stream



Ponga Grove



Ponga Grove



Pukehuia



Pukehuia



Pukehuia



Pukehuia



Upper Tōtara Ridge



Upper Tōtara Ridge

## Congratulations



Congratulations to Christy Robinson who celebrated the holidays by getting married!

The weather was perfect and everyone enjoyed a fun time celebrating with the happy couple.

We wish Christy & Michael all the best and much happiness for their life together.

# Our School in 2026

**Principal** - Matt Stanley

**Deputy Principal** - Liz McLean

**Assistant Principal** - Lynsey Burvill

Hubs:	Room No:	Teams:	Classes:	Location:
<b>Year 1</b>	1 2 3	Fiona Boag Christy Robinson Lynsey Burvill - Hub Leader	Yr 1	Kenepuru Stream
<b>Year 2/3</b>	5 6  8 9 10	Georgia Avery Kelly Shakes & Megan Ferguson  Carla Mcleod Sharon Gibson - Hub Leader Maddies Boyes	Yr 2   Yr 3	Ponga Grove   Lower Tōtara Ridge
<b>Year 4/5/6</b>	14 15  16 17  11 12	Madison Bole Carina Tiffen - Hub Leader Aoife Dowdall Nicki Stempa  Merryl Scott Nicola Donovan	Yr 4/5     Yr 6	Pukehuia     Upper Tōtara Ridge

<b>Learning Assistants</b>	Lorraine Hawkins Tracey Anstiss Mei Chan Marie-Eve Bouffard-Boulais Emma Cuttle	<b>Part-time/release teachers</b>	Sarah Brown Victoria Bernard Tara Congdon Megan Ferguson Kath Leach
<b>ELL Teacher (English Language Learners Teacher)</b>	Amy Sarniak-Thomson	<b>Office</b>	Jo Ryan Charmaine Weir
<b>SENCO</b>	Keryn Deller	<b>Library</b>	Hue Ng

## Touch Rugby Term 1 2026 - Registrations close Monday 9th Feb



If your child is interested in playing Touch Rugby in TERM 1 2026, please complete the Google Form below, the form will close off on Monday 9th February @ 3pm. Please note there will be a cost for all players, which will be based on the number of teams registered.

The season is six weeks long and starts on the 24th February and is played on Monday afternoon

at Alex Moore Park, Johnsonville between 3.30pm and 6pm. Register your interest here <https://forms.gle/F2U4xzDqVeHfYqbn8>

To find out more about go to <http://www.totaltouch.org.nz/>

## School Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons will begin for our Year 3-6 students as follows:  
Years 4 & 5 - Wednesdays from 11/2 - 1/4  
Years 3 & 6 - Fridays from 13/2 - 27/3 then Tuesday 31/3  
Our Year 1 & 2 students will have their swimming lessons in Term 4.

Swimming lessons and water safety are an important part of the school curriculum and it is important for children to learn how to swim and how to be safe in water.

Please make sure your child has their named togs, towel & goggles in a bag on their swimming day.

Please do not order a school lunch on your child's swimming day as we can not guarantee that their lunch order will arrive before they leave for swimming.

Payment details can be found in the Hero app.



### Important Details

**What:** Swimming lessons

**Where:** Keith Spry Pool, Wanaka Street, Johnsonville

**When:** Wed 11/2 - 1/4

**Who:** Wed Yrs 4 & 5, Fri Yrs 3 & 6

## Seeking Road Patrol Volunteers for 2026!



Contact Liz

We're putting out an urgent call for parents to help with road patrol on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 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 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.

Thank you!

## Netball Clinic - for Years 5 & 6

Northern Suburbs has announced a change to the playing format for 2026 and Year 5 and Year 6 will be moving to 7 aside. Please complete this form to register for the preseason clinic and ensure you include your email address.

<https://forms.gle/ob1xZv4gHuz6brzb9>



## Mini Polo / Water Polo - Term 1 2026

We are looking to see if there is any interest for Year 3-6 students to play Mini Polo/Water Polo in term 1 of this year. Mini Polo runs from Friday 13th February to Friday 27th March. Entries to register close on Tuesday 10th February so we would like responses by Friday 6th February 2026. Games will be played at the Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre in Kilbirnie. Games consist of two 10 minute halves, 6 children play at a time (1 goalie and 5 outfield players).

There will be a cost to pay for team entry into the league and then a \$4 pool entry cost each week. Cost will be advised once we determine if we have enough interested to make a team. The shallowest depth of the pool is 1.2m deep. We have a parent who would coach/manage the team. If your child is interested please complete this form.

<https://forms.gle/medcwwLA1s6twhAe6>

## Seesaw



Over the past 6 months our school has been moving all our communication to the Hero app. As part of this process we are no longer using Seesaw to share work in the classroom and notices. Seesaw have sent us the following information if you wish to save any of your child's work.

*To maintain a record of student work, here are instructions for [students/families](#), to download archives of student work before your dashboard is shut down.*

## Stationery Lists - Do you still need to purchase stationery?

We have supplied our stationery lists to the following companies and by using the links in this newsletter or at the bottom of the stationery lists on the school website, you can order your stationery online and have it delivered to your home.

[Link to our school website stationery lists](#)



Warehouse Stationery

Qizzle

OfficeMax

Tawa Books & Post

## New World Club Card Partnership

Thank you for shopping at New World Churton Park. During October to December **\$1583.04** was raised for the school from parents registering their cards and shopping as normal.

Thank you New World Churton Park for supporting our school and thank you to our whānau for supporting New World Churton Park.

### An easy way to help us raise funds

Have you registered your New World Club Card yet? Fundraise for Churton Park School simply by linking your New World Club Card to the school and shopping at Churton Park New World. For

every \$100 you spend \$1 will be donated to Churton Park School. By linking your Club Card there is no impact on your card benefits. Simply complete this form <https://forms.gle/BNm175pNYmsJKdDq7> and continue shopping.



## Home & School Association Meeting - Monday 9th February



The Home and School Association will hold its first meeting on **Monday, 9 February at 6:30pm in the staff room**. If you've been considering getting involved,

this is a great opportunity to join the team. It's a meaningful way to give back to our school, and we always welcome fresh ideas and helping hands.

## Term Dates & Staff Only Days 2026

### Term Dates

Term 1: Mon 2 Feb - Thu 2 Apr

Term 2: Mon 20 Apr - Fri 3 Jul

Term 3: Mon 20 Jul - Fri 25 Sep

Term 4: Mon 12 Oct - Wed 16 Dec

### Teacher Only Days & Public Holidays

(school will be closed on these dates)

#### Term 1

Thur 2 April - MoE Curriculum Day

#### Term 2

Mon 27 April - ANZAC Day observed

Mon 1 June - Kings Birthday

Tues 2 June - Northern Zone Cluster Expo

#### Term 3

Fri 21 August - MOE Curriculum Day

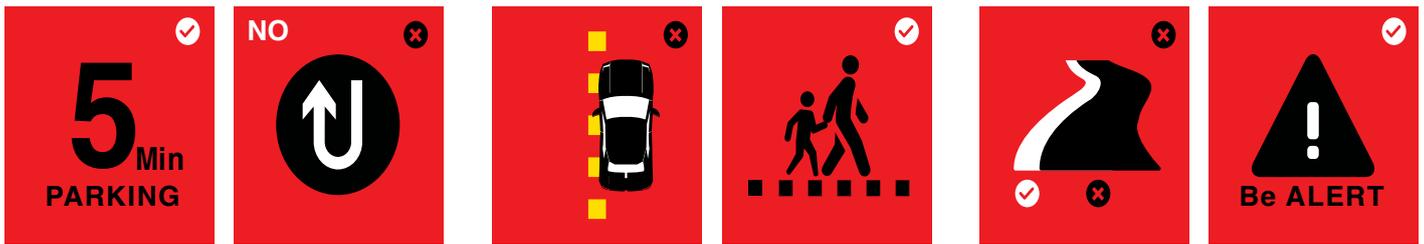
#### Term 4

Mon 26 October - Labour Day

Tues 27 October - Teacher Only Day



# Keeping Our Streets Safe and Accessible



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.**

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.htm>

**Order your items now**



**Order Here**

## 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 pre-enrol 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 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 receive these newsletters but may fall into one of the above categories,

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](mailto: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](http://www.churtonpark.school.nz)

This information is crucial as we plan for the future.

[Contact School](#)

## Upcoming Events & Reminders for Your Calendar:



- Fri 6th February - Waitangi Day Holiday
- Monday 9th Feb - Home & School Association meeting - 6.30pm, staffroom. All welcome
- Wed 11 Feb - Year 4 & 5

Swimming lessons begin

- Fri 13 Feb - Year 3 & 6 Swimming lessons begin
- Friday 20th Feb - Family Fun Night , 4pm - 6pm
- Thur 2 April - MOE Curriculum day
- Thur 2 April - End of Term 1
- Mon 20 April - Term 2 begins
- Mon 27 April - ANZAC Day observed - public holiday
- Mon 1 June - Kings Birthday

- Tue 2 June - Northern Zone Cluster Expo
- Fri 3 July - End of Term 2
- Mon 20 July - Term 3 begins
- Fri 21 August - MOE Curriculum Day
- Fri 25 Sept - End of Term 3
- Mon 12 Oct - Term 4 begins
- Mon 26 Oct - Labour Day Holiday
- Tue 27 Oct - Staff Only Day
- Wed 16 Dec - End of Term 4

[Contact School](#)

[Visit Website](#)

## School times and Signing In or Out

01



**Arrive by  
8:50 am**

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Please have your bag hung, ready to start

02



**Home time  
3:00 pm**

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It's home-time or after school care-time

### 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 - new name same suppliers



### EZLunch.co.nz

School Lunches can be purchased online at [ezlunch.co.nz](http://ezlunch.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](http://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

Manaakitanga  
- Respect

Eke Panuku  
- Success

Hauora  
- Wellbeing

Pou  
manawaora  
- Resilience

Ngahau  
Fun



**KELLY CLUB**

# THEME: Kiwi Celebration

Term 1 Week 1, 2nd February 2026

Weekly Activities Plan  
Kelly Club Churton Park

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
7:00 - 8:15 am	Bubble Painting & Structured Free Time <b>Game: Chicken Tag</b>	Kelly Club Letters & Structured Free Time <b>Game: Staff Choice</b>	Homemade Muffins & Structured Free Time <b>Game: Musical Statues</b>	Lego Building & Structured Free Time <b>Game: Stuck in the Mud</b>
8:15 - 8:30 am				
3:00 - 3:10 pm	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time
3:10 - 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sausage, Bread & Fruit <b>Game: Zip Zap Boing</b>	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit <b>Game: Musical Statues</b>	Intro & Afternoon Tea Homemade Muffins & Fruit <b>Game: Crab Football</b>	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit <b>Game: Tug O War</b>
3:30 - 3:45 pm	<b>COOKING</b> Cheese on Toast	<b>CRAFT</b> Wall Display	<b>GAME</b> Fruit Salad	<b>SPORT</b> Bat Down
3:45 - 4:30 pm				
4:30 - 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up
4:35 - 4:50 pm	Snack Time Baking	Snack Time Popcorn	Snack Time Biscuits	Snack Time Raisins
4:50 - 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time
5:15 - 6:00 pm	<b>Game: Campers &amp; Tents &amp; Projects</b>	<b>Game: The Warm Wind Blows &amp; Projects</b>	<b>Game: Train Stations &amp; Projects</b>	<b>Game: Where's Wally? &amp; Projects</b>



## Public Notices Section. 1



**TIP OFF 2026** - Wednesday's from 3.05pm-4.05pm

The New Year is underway so let's JUMP in with a Kelly Sports Summer Multi Sport Programme! Come and try some new sports, sharpen some existing skills!

This weekly programme gives children 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 confidence to join sports clubs in the future!

For term 1 the sports we are focussing on are:

***Basketball, Football, Ultimate Frisbee, Rippa Rugby*** (2 weeks of each).

Classes start Wednesday 11 February 2026 and runs for 8 weeks

Go to [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz)

### **Music Centre – Newlands Intermediate School**

The music centre offers tuition to primary aged children to help develop their musical education outside school hours. Classes are held on weekdays during the school term and at the discretion of the tutor are taught in groups or on a one to one basis. An end of year concert is held and these evenings are an opportunity for students to entertain family and friends with their progress during the year.

Tuition is offered in violin, piano, guitar, flute and ukulele

Violins are available for hire.

For further information please ring Kaye 4788195 at the school.

The enrolment form is available on our [website](#). Enrolments close on Wednesday 11 February 2026

## Our Public Notices Section. 2

### LEARN MUSIC IN-SCHOOL!!!

**DID YOU KNOW YOUR KIDS CAN LEARN  
MUSIC HERE DURING THE  
SCHOOL DAY !?!**

**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](http://WWW.GTMA.CO.NZ)



**Goodtime**  
MUSIC ACADEMY

## 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 1 Before Spaces Run Out

at [www.bigairgym.co.nz](http://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](mailto:office@bigairgym.co.nz) at 10b Surrey Street, Tawa.

#### Email Big Air Gym

#### Book online for Term 1

Gym Classes at Big Air Gym

W. [www.bigairgym.co.nz](http://www.bigairgym.co.nz)

C. 04 232 3508,

E. [office@bigairgym.co.nz](mailto:office@bigairgym.co.nz)

A. 10b Surrey Street, Tawa.

## Public Notices Section. 3

### Dance classes for 5, 6 & 7 year olds

Discover the joy of dance at our Thorndon Quay studio, with dedicated ballet, jazz and hip hop classes for 5, 6, and 7-year-olds. Classes are available on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturday mornings,

helping young dancers build confidence and have fun. Looking for Khandallah classes? We also offer classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturday mornings.

See why Wellington families love dancing with us at [wellingtondance.co.nz](http://wellingtondance.co.nz).



KAT THEATRE PRESENTS

by Kathryn Schultz Miller & Barry Miller  
music by Bruce Bowdon  
directed by Archana Sahani & Megan Davies

kids' theatre - fun in the sun

SAT & SUN  
FEB 14, 15, 21, 22  
1:30 & 3:30

KHANDALLAH PARK,  
WOODMANCOTE RD  
BAD WEATHER - COCHRAN HALL

NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED  
ADMISSION BY KOHA  
EFTPOS AVAILABLE  
DETAILS AT [KAT-THEATRE.ORG.NZ](http://KAT-THEATRE.ORG.NZ)

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mothers network  
DRAW IT OUT

## Mothers Network & Draw It Out

A special collaborative morning

**Theme: Self-compassion**

Join a special Mothers Network morning tea combined with a Draw It Out workshop - You'll be guided through wellness drawings that help you support yourself, while connecting with other mums.

TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY ● 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM ● \$20

BOOK: [events.humanitix.com/mothers-network-draw-it-out](http://events.humanitix.com/mothers-network-draw-it-out)

2/105 High St, Lower Hutt. No art skills needed. [drawitout.co.nz](http://drawitout.co.nz)