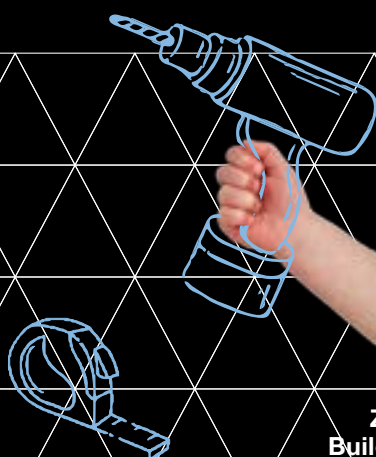
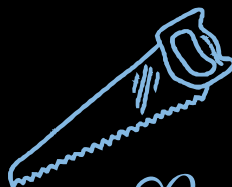


for our

Family Friends & Whānau

of **Churton Park
School** ESTD
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Zoe, 5
Builder in
the making



administration.

8th October 2025

Term 4. Week 1.

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

Empowering Connected Lifelong Learners

Kia ora e te whānau

Welcome back to Term 4 and welcome to the many new families joining our whānau this term.

We have a lot happening this term with our Year 0, 1 & 2 ākonga participating in swimming lessons every Friday from this week, our Year 5 tamariki preparing for their overnight zoo trip and of course our book character dress up day this Thursday for the whole school - we are looking forward to seeing all the costumes!



Matt Stanley

Principal
Churton Park School.

90 Churton Drive

Churton Park

Wellington 6037

Phone 04 478 4282

Contact School

Strategic Plan Survey Reminder - closes this Friday

Churton Park School is starting the development of its new strategic plan. A strategic plan sets the direction for the school and identifies the priorities the board expects the principal to be leading. We want to get your input and feedback to help us develop our new strategic plan for 2026-28

Our Vision- Empowering Connected Lifelong Learners

The strategic plan is the key-planning document for the school. It includes strategic aims and annual plans which:

- reflect the goals and aspirations our community has for our school and our students for the next 3 years

- outline how our school is implementing the government's priorities as set out in the National Education Guidelines and the National Education and Learning Priorities
- identify the key areas our board will focus on, both in the longer term and the coming year, to improve the progress and achievement of all of our students.

We invite you to complete the survey to help shape our school.

The survey will close on Friday 10th October. <https://forms.gle/mphTNuh1yPAQ5Zpb6>



Planned Strike Action - Thursday 23rd October



You may have seen in the media talk of a NZEI teacher Union member strike on Thursday 23rd October. This is not yet official as the formal notice has not been presented to school Boards but an informal notice has been made. If an official strike notice is presented the Board have to decide if there are enough non-union members to remain open. The Board have

decided to close our school on Thursday 23rd October if the strike goes ahead. For now please make arrangements for the care of your children on this day. If the strike does not proceed school will be open as usual.

Ice Blocks change of date

If the planned strike day goes ahead on Thursday 23rd October we will give the ice blocks out on Friday 24th October instead so no one misses out.



**Welcome
to our
new
kaiako**



**Emilia Carlson
joins our teaching team in
Kenepuru Stream**



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**Welcome
to our new
Ākonga**



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Ponga Grove

Home & School Association - Fundraising

Our tamariki created beautiful artwork in Term 3, and it's now ready to be made into unique keepsakes — just in time for Christmas!

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

Order online by 11:59pm, Wednesday 22nd October. Children will bring home on order form later this week.

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.



New Zealand Shake Out 2025



Our school will be taking part in the New Zealand Shake Out. New Zealand Shake Out is our national earthquake drill and tsunami hīkoi (evacuation). Shake Out 2025 is happening on Thursday 16 October!

This is a great time to think about how you and your whānau are prepared if there were an earthquake or tsunami to occur in New Zealand. Please take a moment to visit the Get Ready website <https://getready.govt.nz/>

[involved/shakeout](#) and see if you are ready!

On Thursday 16th October at 9.30am we will join the rest of the country and take part in an earthquake drill - Drop, Cover, Hold.

Measles Cases in Aotearoa

Recent measles cases linked to overseas travel have been reported in Te Tai Tokerau and Queenstown. Cases were active in the community while infectious and there is a risk of measles circulating there, and more widely in Aotearoa.

- Measles is very contagious and can make people of any age very sick.
- Watch for measles symptoms – fever, cough, runny nose, sore eyes and a blotchy rash.

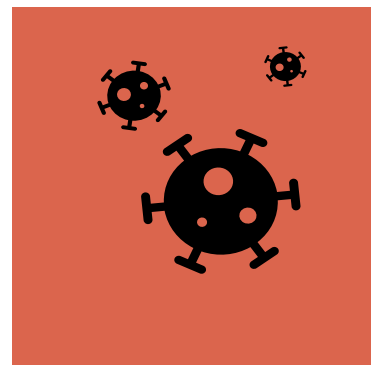
[Measles: Locations of interest in Aotearoa New Zealand – Health New Zealand](#)

- If anyone in your whānau has measles symptoms keep them home and contact a doctor or Healthline urgently on 0800 611 116.
- Vaccination is the best protection from measles. Check all whānau are immunised.

[Measles immunity – Health New Zealand](#)

[Measles, mumps and rubella \(MMR\) vaccine – Health New Zealand](#)

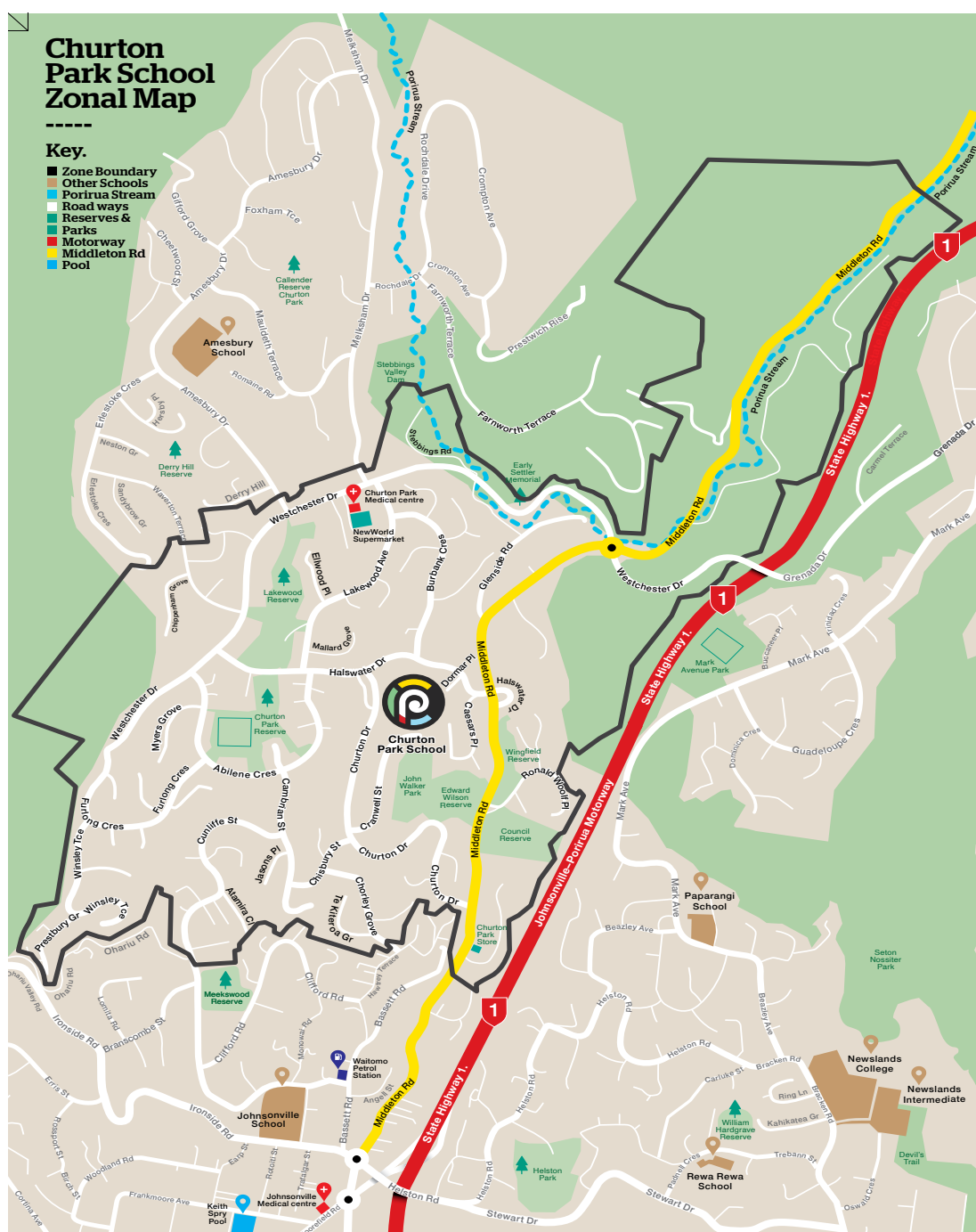
Anyone closely exposed to measles who has not received two MMR vaccinations cannot attend their school | kura for at least eight days.



Changes to our Enrolment Zone

Recently the Ministry of Education reviewed our school enrolment home zone. This is the first review of our home zone since it was first put in place and a lot of the land to the north of our school was un-developed farm land. As a result of this review there have been a couple of changes to our boundaries. These changes have resulted in Prestbury Grove, off Winsley Terrace, being included in our zone and Farnworth Terrace and all streets leading off Farnworth Terrace being removed from our zone and included in Amesbury School's zone.

For families living in the streets that have been removed from our zone and currently have children attending Churton Park School nothing changes, the change will come when the child's siblings begin school. These children will have to be part of the out of zone ballot but because there is already a family member attending our school they will have a higher priority in the ballot system. Full details of the Out of Zone Priorities can be found on the school website churtonpark.school.nz/our-school/enrolment/



Urgently Seeking Road Patrol Volunteers for Wednesday Afternoons!

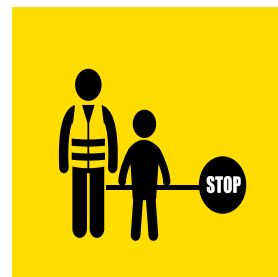
We're putting out an urgent call for parents to help with road patrol on Wednesday afternoons. Our dedicated team of volunteers is currently short-staffed, and we need your support to ensure the safety of our students crossing the road after school.

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.

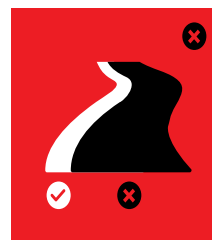
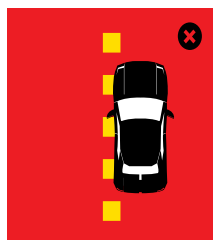
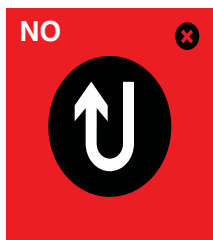
Please consider lending a hand. Your support is vital for keeping our school community safe. If you can help, please contact Liz McLean as soon as possible.

Thank you!



Contact Liz

Keeping Our Streets Safe and Accessible



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.htm>



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

Introducing an initiative created by the school Greenie Leaders: Mindi, Yuna, Ariel, Ryan and Kenudi.

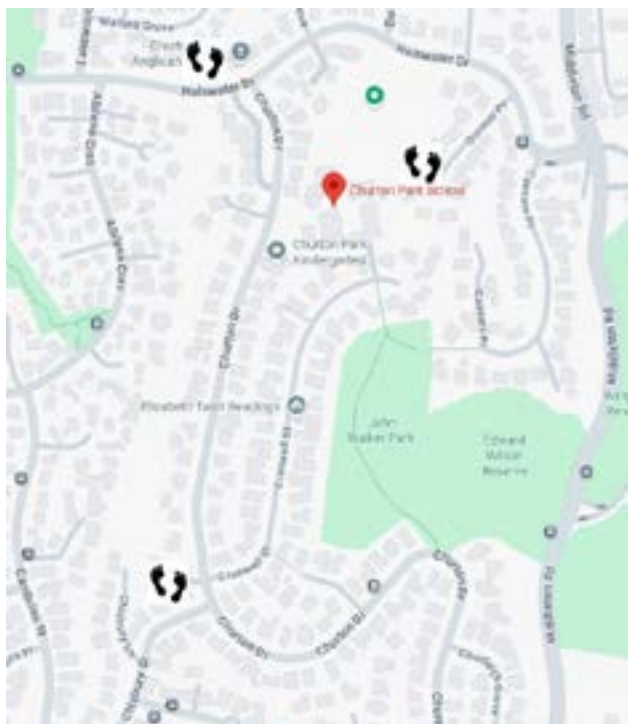
Walking Wednesdays

What is Walking Wednesdays?

The Greenies want children to walk 🚶, scooter 🛹 or bike 🚲 to school on Wednesdays. It is a good way to reduce Co2 emissions. This is similar to Moving March but it's on for Wednesdays for the first half of Term 4 (Weeks 1-5).

Benefits

- More time with your friends.
- More time to admire nature.
- Getting more independent.
- Less use of cars producing carbon dioxide.
- Less climate change.
- Save money.



Drop off points

We know some children live too far away to walk, scooter or bike to school. If this is your family, caregivers please stop at one of the drop-off points and you can all go from there. The suggested drop-off points are marked on this map. We have spray painted footprints at the drop off points so you know where to start from (with support from the WCC).

Rewards

Like Moving March the Greenies made a little something similar. Every Wednesday if you walk, bike or scooter to school you get a stamp on your card. If you do this 4 times over all the Wednesdays you get a seed packet. The Greenies will be outside Ponga Grove every Wednesday before school. Come and get your card stamped and earn some prizes!



**THANKS FOR SUPPORTING
OUR PROJECT!**

Is your child turning 5 in 2025, 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 2025 or 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 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 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 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:



- Wednesday 8th October - Out of Zone Enrolment applications for 2026 close at 3pm
- Thursday 9th October - Dress as your favourite book character
- Friday 10th October - Swimming begins for Years 0, 1 & 2 every Friday until 21st November
- Monday 20th October - Northern Zone Athletics - Newtown Park
- Thursday 23rd October - Teachers Strike
- Thursday 30th October - Year 5 Zoo Overnight Trip
- Friday 14th November - Newlands Intermediate Orientation Day for enrolled students
- 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

Contact School

Visit Website

School times and Signing In or Out

01



**Arrive by
8:50 am**

Please have your bag hung, ready to start

02



**Home time
3:00 pm**

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



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

Manaakitanga
- Respect

Eke Panuku
- Success

Hauora
- Wellbeing

Pou
manawaora
- Resilience

Ngahau
Fun

Public Notices Section. 1



skylight

Skylight Trust

Matika

Register now!
Free Eight-Session Bereavement Programme for Tamariki aged 6-12 years old

Term 4 2025 Wellington
Term 1 2026 Lower Hutt
Term 2 2026 Wellington
Term 3 2026 Porirua
Term 4 2026 Kapiti

All enquiries welcome!

Register your interest: programmes@skylight.org.nz



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School of Creativity and Art

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AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES

- CERAMICS
- DRAWING
- PAINTING
- TEXTILES
- SCULPTURE
- AND MORE

In our fun & vibrant setting, your children can spend an exciting term getting a snapshot of multiple creative disciplines. Each week, they'll get to experiment with different materials & techniques while creating imaginative, one-of-a-kind artworks that reflect their growing skills & ideas.

📞 0800 278 768
🌐 www.ltc.co.nz
📍 The Learning Connection

5-10 YRS	11-15 YRS	16-18 YRS
TUESDAYS 14 OCT - 9 DEC 3:30 - 5:30pm	TUESDAYS 14 OCT - 9 DEC 10:00 - 12:00pm	THURSDAYS 18 OCT - 11 DEC 3:30 - 5:30pm
YOUNG ARTISTS	HOME SCHOOL	TWEEN ARTISTS

BOOK NOW TO UNLOCK YOUR CHILD'S INNER CREATIVE



PLAY CRICKET THIS SUMMER



JOHNSONVILLE JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

CRICKET REGISTRATION

OPEN 1ST SEPTEMBER TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2025

We have cricket options for boys and girls aged 5 and over.
Come play with your friends.
To find more details and register go to: www.jcc.org.nz

CLUB SPONSOR
JOHNSONVILLE FAMILY DENTIST



Johnsonville SOFTBALL CLUB

2025/26 SEASON REGISTRATIONS OPEN

U7 T-ball
U9 Mini Pitch
U11 Rookie Sox
U13 - U17 Softball



About Us

Johnsonville Junior Softball is a lively, community-oriented programme offering a path from fun introductory play at U7 right through to competitive junior grades up to U17. The club emphasises enjoyment, skill-building, fairness, and inclusion in every grade. Whether you're new to the sport or hoping to find a welcoming and fun environment for your child, it's all about nurturing a lifelong love of softball.

Why play softball?

Softball is fun, fast, inclusive and packed with transferable skills! It helps kids stay active, build confidence, learn teamwork, and make friends — all while being part of a supportive family and community club.

Junior Pre Season Training for New and Existing Players - All Welcome

When:	Where:
Saturday 27 th September Saturday 4 th October Saturday 11 October	Howlands Intermediate School Bracken Road Howlands
Time:	Why:
U7, U9 and U11 10am - 11am U13, U15 and U17 11am - 12pm	Sitting on the fence? Come have some fun, learn some new skills and meet new people!

Email: johnsonvillejuniorsoftball@gmail.com
Facebook: www.facebook.com/jelliesjunior/
Website: johnsonville.softball

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



Big Energy? Then Big-Air is for You!

BIGAIR
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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.



Spring Into Action!

Term 4 Sports Programme

Wednesday's 3.05PM-4.05PM FOR 8 WEEKS
CRICKET, T-BALL, BASKETBALL, FOOTBALL
2 WEEKS OF EACH SPORT!!
STARTS WEEK 2 OF TERM 4!

BOOK ONLINE AT

 **KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ**

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

Dance Pointe

Academy New Zealand

DancePointe Academy

Ballet/Tap/Musical 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/RlpXDh7>.

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

SCALE MODELS EXPO'25

- displays/IPMS Nationals competition/trade stalls... at **HobbyEx**



● ASTROMECH DROID R5-D4



BAD MOON ORK BOY ●



● GUNDAM OO RAISER CUSTOM



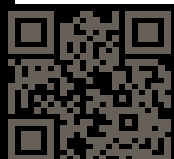
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SAAB DRACKEN RF-35 ●



FERRARI F40 GTD ●



10AM-4PM 18-19 **OCTOBER** 2025
WHIRINAKI WHARE TAONGA (FORMERLY EXPRESSIONS)
836 FERGUSON DRIVE, **UPPER HUTT**

scalemodelswellington.org.nz/expo

SCALE MODELS **WELLINGTON** IPMS



Our Public Notices Section. 6

KELLY SPORTS

FOOTBALL
5-A-SIDE
Ian Galloway Park,
Wilton

NETBALL
Samuel Marsden
School & Karori
Normal School

SUMMER SERIES
2025 2026

TEAM ENROLLMENTS NOW OPEN!

SCAN ME

kellysports.co.nz/football2025

SCAN ME

kellysports.co.nz/netball2025

Does your child like to sing, dance, act and perform?

Would you like your child to build more confidence and make more friends?

Performing arts classes led by a London West End performer!

After school and weekend classes in Actea, Johnsonville, Karori, Newtawn, Lower Hutt, and Upper Hutt!

Two-week trials available.

For more information, please visit www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz

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