

for our

Family Friends & Whānau

of **Churton Park School** ESTD 1975

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the making

newsletter.

6th August 2025

Term 3. Week 4.

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

Empowering Connected Lifelong Learners

Kia ora, ni hao, malo e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, namaste and greetings to everyone.



What a stunning day - amazing how uplifting a sunny day can be.

As we head to the middle of the term I wanted to acknowledge (as I have done before) the values in action in our school

- Manaakitanga - children listening carefully to what they are being taught and waiting their turn to ask questions
- Eku Panuku - Yr 6 children sharing their school camp experience with their whānau

in great detail and with such enthusiasm

- Hauora - children talking about what Harold and the Life Education teacher had taught them during their sessions
- Pou Manawaroa - Kenepuru Stream learners learning how to pass and catch a ball and practising until they were able to do this correctly
- Ngahau - the buzz of chatter and laughter as our children learn and play together

Liz McLean

Deputy Principal of
Churton Park School.

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Contact School



Learning Celebrations

It is the time of the year when we celebrate the learning your child or children have done. Our Learning celebrations are coming up and are on

Wednesday 3 September - 3.15pm - 7.30pm
and
Thursday 4 September - 3.15pm - 7.30pm

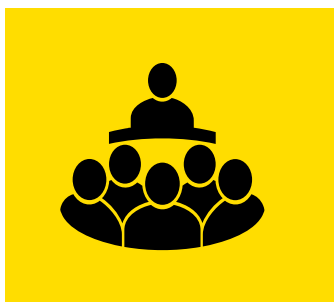
This is an opportunity for whānau, teachers and ākonga to come together to celebrate the learning and achievements that have been happening. It is a chance for your child to share what they have done and what they are proud of.

You will have a 15 minute time slot which includes a 10 min conference with your child's home teacher followed by the opportunity to talk with other teachers in your child's learning space for 5 minutes. Each whānau can remain in the learning

space with their child showing them around and there will also be some activities that your child is familiar with that you can join in doing with your child if you choose.

You will receive a notification through Hero when bookings have been opened. To book your Learning Celebration time please use the School Bookings icon in the HERO app. This will take you to the booking options for your child. Select the "Manage Bookings" option and this will show you the times available for your child's teacher, select the time you would like then select confirm. This will secure your spot. If you are booking for more than one child, Hero will make sure that you have enough time to get from one teacher to the next. It will not let you book your appointments back to back.

NZEI Paid Union Meetings



There will be Paid Union Meetings (PUMs) for NZEI members on the afternoon of Monday, August 19th and Thursday, August 22nd. These meetings are occurring across the country, and our teaching staff who are union members will have the opportunity to attend.

The school will remain open on these days, but there may be some small disruption to our normal classroom programmes to ensure we can provide adequate supervision for all students. We appreciate your understanding and support.

Have you downloaded the HERO App yet?

On HERO you can:

- Advise an Absence
- Access NZ Uniforms to order t-shirts, sun hats & sweatshirts
- Order school lunches from Lunch On Line - (you will need to set-up an account for your child)
- Quick link to our school website & calendar
- View school policies
- Access our school facebook page
- View term date
- Access your financial details - see what you have paid & what is still due as well as download your own

tax receipts

- Update your contact details
- And very soon you will be able to:
View/download your child's school report

Coming next month we will be changing how you can book your Learning Celebrations. This will only be available through HERO, we will send a notice through HERO to advise when the bookings are open.

Download the app now so you don't miss out!



Cellphones & Smartwatches at School

Last year the Government introduced regulations that require all state schools to put in place school rules regarding the use of phones. The regulations mean cellphones & smartwatches either do not come with the student to school, or are switched off and kept in their bag when students enter the school grounds. The phone or watch must remain switched off for the entire school day.

If your child is unwell during the day the school will contact you.

Please view our [Cellphone and other Digital Devices policy](#) by using the link to School Docs and entering
username: churtonpark
Password: learningforlife



Road Patrol Help Urgently Required

We are currently looking for an amazing person to volunteer to help our wonderful road patrollers on Wednesday afternoons from Term 3. Please contact Liz McLean if you are able to help us out.

Thank you in advance.

Please contact lizm@churtonpark.school.nz for more information or to volunteer.



Contact Liz

Board of Trustee Elections



Nominations for the Board of Trustees elections have now closed. We have 3 places available and we have received 8 nominations.

Nominees are:

- BROADBENT, Aaron
- CLARKE, Stephen
- FISHER, Laine
- HARRISON, Roselle
- HOSSACK, Amanda
- JONES, Tracy
- RAVINDRAN, Kiruthikaa
- REES-THOMAS, Samuel

The Returning officer will be emailing or posting out, for those who have requested this option, voting instructions this week. **Voting will close on Wednesday 3rd September at 4pm.**

Traffic Around The School Gates

Please remember U turns near the school entrance are dangerous for students and other drivers. Please drive further up the street to turn around.

Cranwell Street & Dormar Place

Cranwell Street and Dormar Place are very narrow at the ends where the school gates are located. The council have painted yellow lines around the cul-de-sac and these have been there for several years now.

Yellow lines mean you cannot for any reason stop or wait in this area. When cars are stopped on the yellow lines waiting for children this stops children having a clear view of the road to cross safely, stops cars being

able to turn without reversing and stops cars being able to leave the area safely.

Please do not park or wait on the yellow lines or over driveways.

Churton Drive

The area directly at the front of the school is a **Pick-Up / Drop-Off Zone**. This means you can not park your car in this area from **8am - 9am & 2.30pm - 3.30pm**. **The maximum time you may wait is 2 minutes and drivers must not leave the vehicle**. If your child has not come out in the allotted time, please move off and let others pick up their children. By the time you have gone around the block your child will be there waiting for you.

If you would like to park your car and go to your child's class to collect

your child, please use the parking space on the opposite side of the road where there is a **5 minute parking area** or park further up the road and walk back to school.

Please do not park or wait on yellow lines or over our neighbours driveways (or in their driveways without their permission)!

We are doing our best to take care of your children safely so please do not be offended if you are asked by staff or our road patrol parents to move your vehicle.



New World Club Card Partnership

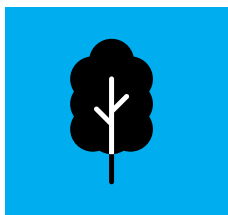
An easy way to help us raise funds

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/BNm175pNYmsJKd-Dq7> and continue shopping.



Plant Cuttings Required



Plant cuttings needed: We are looking for more plants for our Cherry Tree garden where we eat our lunch. If anyone has any cuttings or small parts of daisy bushes (Arctotis Daisy, Federation Daisy, Cape Daisy,

Marguerite Daisy, Osteospermum, Shasta Daisy, Gazania etc) that they can spare, it would be much appreciated. Please email jennyb@churtonpark.school.nz

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.

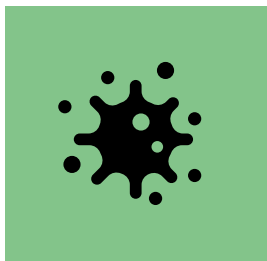
Sunhats can be purchased from NZ Uniforms either online or at their Porirua shop. Please make sure you have a school sunhat for your child. If your child has the old style sunhat they can continue to wear them but if your child still needs a school sunhat, please make sure you have purchased one as soon 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

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



Is your child turning 5 in 2025 or 2026 ?



Help us to plan ahead

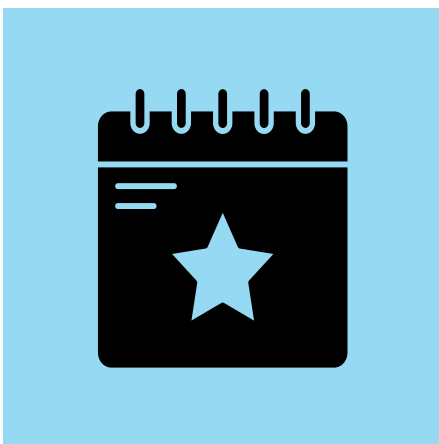
To help with our planning for the rest of this year and next year please let the school office know if the following things apply to you:

- 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 2025 or 2026
- If you have a friend, family member or neighbour that does not receive these news

letters 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:



- Tuesday 19th August - Mathswell Comp for selected Yr5/6 students
- Monday 25th August - 19th September - Bee Healthy Dental Van onsite
- Wednesday 3rd September Board of Trustee Election
- Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th September - Learning Conferences, 3.15 - 7.15pm
- Saturday 13th September - St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival, Newlands College
- Friday 19th September - End of Term 3
- Monday 6th October - Term 4 begins
- Thursday 30th October - Year 5 Zoo Trip
- Monday 24th - Friday 28th November TBC- Pack The Bus is coming

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Visit Website

YEAR 6

CAMP AFTERNOON

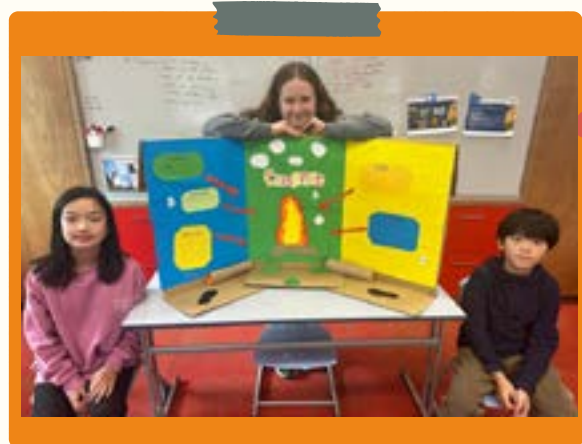
Thank you whānau!

Last week, we invited our whānau to come see our awesome camp presentations.

In small groups, we created a display about a chosen activity from camp. We shared about what we did, the equipment needed, safety, and collected student voices from the rest of Year 6 about their favourite parts of the activity.

This was a great opportunity to reflect on the epic time we had at camp last term.

Thank you to everyone who came along to hear about our adventures. We also got to share a snippet of camp with the Year 5s. We hope you are excited for next year!



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

St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival



WHEN: Saturday 13 September 2025

WHERE: Newlands College

The festival starts with a Pōwhiri at 8am.

**Sausage sizzles, bake stalls, raffles
and more on the day**

Gold coin entry

Cash only event

Posters kindly sponsored by Steven Hogg at Squirrel

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027 755 4439 or steven@squirrel.co.nz

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Every parent matters. Every community matters.



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Ōtari School**



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St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival Programme

13 September 2025
Newlands College

8am - Pōwhiri

2 representatives per school to be seated on the manuhiri side
at the front of the hall

9-10am - BLOCK 1

Te Rōpū Kapahaka o Te Ao Mārama - Newlands College
Te Kōhanga Reo o Ngaio
Rāreo Normal Intermediate

10.10-11.10am - BLOCK 2

Te Whānau a Tarikākā - Onslow College
Te Kura o Ōtari
Cashmere Avenue School

11.20-12.30pm - BLOCK 3

St Benedict's School
Khandallah School
Te Kura o Hato Pirihiti - St Brigid's
Crofton Downs School

12.40-1.40pm - BLOCK 4

Te Kura Waenga o Horokiwi - Newlands Intermediate
Churton Park School
Amesbury School

1.50 - 2.50pm - BLOCK 5

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Te Kura o Ngaio

2.50pm - Poroporoaki

3pm - Clean up

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Our Public Notices Section. 1

Goodtime Music Academy

Make some Noise!!!

Get ready to ignite your child's musical passion! Goodtime Music Academy teaches at Churton Park Primary School and is offering award-winning in-school music lessons. Say goodbye to post-school commutes! Dive into the world of music in a vibrant group setting with the following instrument lesson: Drums, Guitar, Keyboard, Ukulele, or our

'Intro to Music' course. But the excitement doesn't stop there! Your child will have the chance to shine in our thrilling concerts. Act fast, as spots are limited. Enrol now at www.goodtimemusicacademy.co.nz/learn-at-school or call us at 04 568 2237. Your child's moment in the limelight awaits



Big Energy? Then Big-Air is for You!

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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
www.bigairgym.co.nz at 10b Surrey Street, Tawa.

Email Big Air Gym

Book online for Term 3

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.



KELLY SPORTS

Frosty Fun, Winter Sports Warm-Up!

CHURTON PARK SCHOOL

EVERY WEDNESDAY, 3:05PM – 4:05PM

Traditional Maori Games Athletics - Throwing
Football Athletics - Jumping

(2 weeks of each sport)

KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ

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 23 July 2025 for 8 weeks. www.kellysports.co.nz

Public Notices Section. 3

Samuel Marsden Collegiate School – Open Day for Year 7 entry in 2026

Marsden warmly invites families of girls entering Year 7 in 2026 to their final Open Day for 2025 on Friday 15 August, 8.45am–12.00pm. Please register at www.marsden.school.nz/news-events/experience-marsden/open-days

Māori & Pasifika Scholarships for entry in 2026 close 22 August 2025. For more information and to apply, visit www.marsden.school.nz/enrolments/scholarships



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.

● 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM ● 4 WORKSHOPS

TUES 19 AUG, TUES 26 AUG, TUES 2 SEPT, TUES 9 SEPT

Re-finding yourself | Caring for your needs | Self-compassion | Seeing potential

\$46 each ● BOOK: events.humanitix.com/draw-it-out-parents

2/105 High St, Lower Hutt. No art skills needed. drawitout.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 learn the joy of dance. Beginners welcome of all ages from 4 years old for Ballet. A new fun Musical Theatre Class on a Thursday is commencing for 5 to 6 year olds. A free trial class for this class for Boys and Girls is available for the first class. Enroll now for term 3.

Contact Sharon

dancepointenz@gmail.com

www.dancepointe.co.nz

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