

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



# **Empowering Connected Lifelong Learners**

Kia ora koutou e te whānau



Welcome to term 4. We have a very busy and exciting 10 weeks left in the school year. Packed into this term we have the usual amazing learning happening as well as, Yr 1 & 2 Swimming, Northern Zone Athletics, Yr 5 Zoo Overnighter and an author visit.

#### **Matt Stanley**

Principal of Churton Park School.

90 Churton Drive

Churton Park

Wellington 6037

Phone 04 478 4282

**Contact School** 

#### **Welcome to our new School Board members**

Welcome to our new board members, Aaron Broadbent, Carla Macleod (Staff Rep) and welcome back to Stephen Clarke and Amanda Hossack. I'd like to thank you for putting your names forward and I look forward to working with you over the next three years to make Churton Park School the best we can.

The full School Board is:

Stephen Clarke, Amanda Hossack, Matt Stanley (Principal), Aaron Broadbent, Josh Isaac, Carla Macleod (Staff Representative), Nicole Hodgson, Chris Rodgers.

#### **Sun Hats**

Please remember that all students need to be wearing a sunhat outside in term 4. School hats can be purchased from NZUniforms.



### **Term 4 Policy Review**

Health, Safety and Welfare All reviewers

- 1. Visit the website <a href="https://churtonpark.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm">https://churtonpark.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm</a>
- 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.

# 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.



# Scholastic Books - Book Orders





LUCKY BOOKS ISSUE 7
ORDER closing date Monday
20/10/2025. Click here To view
Issue 7 brochure.

Remember to use the \$5 promo code from Issue 6 before it expires. The FREE BOOK OFFER is back to make gift-giving easy and affordable. For every LOOP order over \$25, you will receive up to three free books! Plus, you will earn another \$5 promo code to spend on Issue 8 by ordering from this Issue.

Did you know that every purchase you make on Book Club earns our school 15% of the order value in Scholastic Rewards? We use these to purchase more books and educational resources for the school. Issue 6 has contributed \$207 reward points for our school library.

Please use the Book Club Loop Linked Online Ordering & Payment option only by visiting mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz. Click to find out how Loop orders work.

# 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 <a href="https://getready.govt.nz/">https://getready.govt.nz/</a>

<u>involved/shakeout</u> and see if your 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

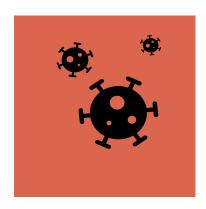
Recent measles cases linked to overseas travel have been reported in Te Tai Tokerau and Queenstown. Cases were active in the community while infectious and there is a risk of measles circulating there, and more widely in Aotearoa.

- 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.

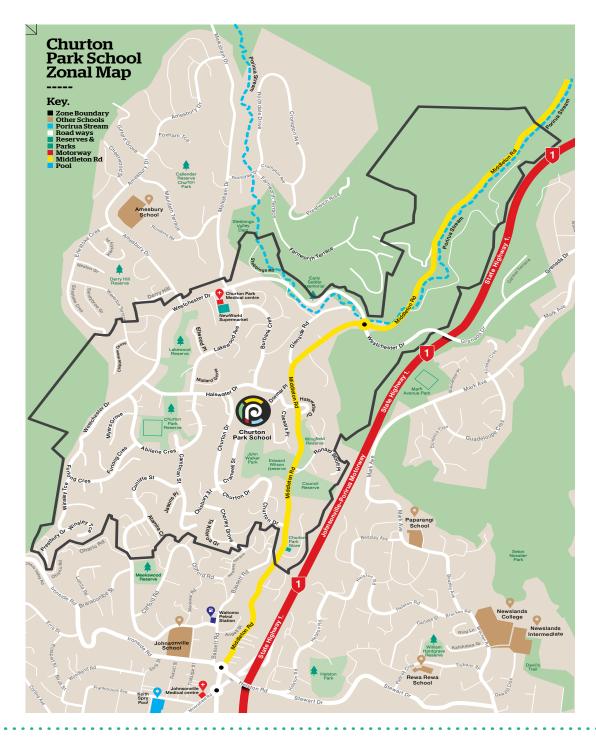
Measles immunity – Health New Zealand Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine – Health New Zealand Anyone closely exposed to measles who has not received two MMR vaccinations cannot attend their school | kura for at least eight days.



# **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 <a href="mailto:churtonpark.school.nz/our-school/enrolment/">churtonpark.school.nz/our-school/enrolment/</a>



# **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.

Contact Liz



Keeping Our Streets Safe and Accessible







Thank you!







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 <a href="https://churtonpark.nzuniforms.com/catalog/uniform-1107113.htmx">https://churtonpark.nzuniforms.com/catalog/uniform-1107113.htmx</a>







**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 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 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

- Monday 20th October -Northen Zone Athletics -Newtown Park
- Thursday 23rd October Teachers Strike
- 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 Wednesday17th December 12.30pm
- Term 1 2026 begins Monday2nd February

# Stories from Lower Totara Ridge



What a magical week we've had in Lower Tōtara Ridge! To celebrate Book Week, we dove into the wonderful world of picture books. Each teacher shared one of their favourite stories, and students got creative with activities like imagining alternate endings and designing a new broom stick. Thursday's Book Character Dress-Up Day was a real highlight, it was amazing to see everyone's fantastic costumes and all the excitement around books and reading! We'd also love to share some of the wonderful writing our students did about Book Character Day, they had so many fun and imaginative ideas!

On Thursday the whole school dressed up, not just Lower Tōtara! Wands waved, sparkly dresses glimmered in the sunshine. I dressed up as the Hobbit.

- Flynn

In the afternoon the year 4's came down to us. We did a drawing competition. Our team didn't win but I was still happy because my friend won. - Mila M

All the students were asking "Who are you meant to be?" Some were dressed up as Princesses, Harry Potter and many more. On Thursday, I was dressed up as Princess Sparkle. Some of them didn't recognise me just because of my wig. - Nidhi

I felt very excited because I knew I would be the only Love Puppy. I was Rosie the golden retriever dog. - Lara

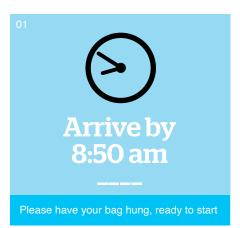
The school transformed and children cheered because it was finally dress up day and finally it was book week again. - Miranda

I dressed up as Hermione Granger from Harry Potter. We had a parade. I was so excited! There were dogs, cats, wizards, witches and lots more. - Katie

Last Thursday Stella wore an Elsa dress and she looked pretty and sparkly.

Also I saw Aliens. It looked like a kidnapping. - Rehmat

# 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 <a href="https://www.kellyclub.co.nz">www.kellyclub.co.nz</a> 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

# **Public Notices Section. 1**









## 2025/26 SEASON REGISTRATIONS **OPEN**

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



#### About Us

phreomite junior Softsall is a lively, community-oriented programme offering a path from tun introductory play at U7 right through to competitive junior grades up to U17. The club emphasives enjoyment, skill: building, fairness, and inclusion in every grade. Whether you're new to the oport or hoping to find a welcoming and fun environment for your child, it's all about



#### Why play softball?

softball is fun, fast, inclusive and pocked in transferable tablet it helps lode stay active, build confidence, learn transience, and make therebt — all white being part of a supportive family and community shulls.

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



Saturday 27" Septem Saturday 4" October Saturday 11 October



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613, 915 and 917 (1am - 12pm



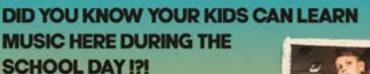
Sitting on the fence? come have some fun, learn some new skills and meet new





# **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 <a href="www.bigairgym.co.nz">www.bigairgym.co.nz</a>! 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 <a href="https://events.barefootsport.co.nz/event/1205">https://events.barefootsport.co.nz/event/1205</a>. Early bird registrations before 19th October include a personalised race bib. Find out more here: <a href="https://khandallah.school.nz/a/RIpXDh7">https://khandallah.school.nz/a/RIpXDh7</a>.

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**



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18-19 OCTOBER 2025 RINAKI WHARE TAONGA (FORMERLY EXPRESSIONS)
FERGUSSON DRIVE, UPPER HUTT

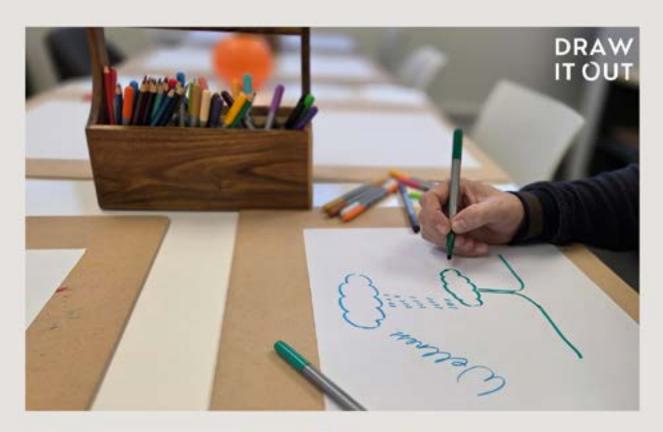
SCALE MODELS WELLINGTON IPMS



# Our 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
 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 TUESDAY 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



# NEUROSCIENCE FOR PARENTS

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

# NOVEMBER 12<sup>™</sup>

- @ 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

