



## CHURTON PARK SCHOOL

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Term 4 Week 6

18<sup>th</sup> November 2020

### Deputy Principals Corner – te iwi tahi tatou – we are one family...

#### Ode to Camp Makahika

Education Outside the Classroom is an important time of year  
Time to organise ourselves and face our challenges and fears

We prepped the kids and talked a lot to make sure they were aware  
That camp is such a special time, a great way to end the year.

The flying fox was quite scary, high above the trees  
Floating through the air was great, screaming in the summer breeze.

We packed up all our day packs and headed for the hills,  
We crossed all the flowing rivers, and in the mud there were some spills.

Marshmallows round the campfire, as the smoke got in our eyes  
Sleeping in the bush hut tents - goodnight girls and guys.

Making bivvies in the bushes and crossing rivers as a team  
Leaving no challenges yet undone, we are living the dream.

Thank you to the helpers who made the camp so real for all  
We've loved every minute, Camp Makahika we all had a ball.

Thank you to all who helped to make Camp Makahika 2020 such a success.  
To Evan and Sanja our parent helpers, to our parent transport helpers, our fundraising teams and to our wonderful teachers - Hannah, Peter and Leanne who worked so tirelessly for the week.

Regards  
Maree Goodall  
Deputy Principal



#### **Karim day**

Karim Day is next week (Thursday 26th November!) To raise funds for our school's sponsor child Karim there will be a market gala where students can buy crafts and food items to raise our \$600 target. All students can participate in bringing small change to buy products. Each item will be 50c, \$1 or \$2 at 12pm during class time. Thank you for your support!

***PLEASE GIVE US A HEADS UP ... if you know that your child is not returning to Churton Park School next year, we would appreciate you advising the office, so that we can complete organisation for next year with all the information needed.***

**Whakatauki: Ma whero ma pango ka oti ai te mahi - *with red and black the work will be complete***

## Report Information

Last week I shared the achievement, progress and effort section of the report with you. This week it is reading, writing and maths. It will look like this in the report.

READING
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WRITING
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MATHEMATICS
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There will be 3 bullet points that tell you what your child can do and has achieved in each of these curriculum areas.

Next week will be the other areas of the curriculum.

Liz McLean

## Road Patrol helpers



We would like to thank our wonderful dedicated Road Patrol Parent Helpers who have supported our students after school to cross the roads safely - Penny Malden, Gabi Tankersley, Serena Naughton, Donna Yee and Yingchun Zhou. In all weathers they have offered their services for which we are very grateful. We are looking for a new team for 2021 Term 1 to give these wonderful volunteers a break. This could be either before school from 8.30 to 8.55am or after school 2.50-3.10pm. The role is to ensure the road patrollers feel supported in their role and that all students can cross the roads safely. If you are available to commit for Term 1 please email [mareeg@churtonpark.school.nz](mailto:mareeg@churtonpark.school.nz). We would love to hear from you. We will take it one term at a time as a year long commitment is a big ask and circumstances can change. This would really help us out and be much appreciated by all.

## Netball

Early in Term 1 we will be looking for someone or a team of people to take over as our Year 5/6 netball co-ordinator/s. They will work with Mrs Goodall to select, organise teams and uniforms and attend Northern Zone meetings to ensure we have the best information for our players. If this is something you would like to help us out with please contact Mrs Goodall [mareeg@churtonpark.school.nz](mailto:mareeg@churtonpark.school.nz). We have folders of information and documents already formatted so there is plenty of help available.



Later in Term 1 we will be needing another group of parents to organise the Year 3/4 players. If you think this is something you could contribute to please contact Mrs Goodall [mareeg@churtonpark.school.nz](mailto:mareeg@churtonpark.school.nz)



# Camp Makahika 2020



The year 6s spent four days away at Camp Makahika last week. They were all challenged physically and emotionally. Every day brought new experiences and new opportunities to challenge themselves. Our time at camp helped bring us closer together and also helped boost and top up the different areas of our Hauora. What a great experience that we can all remember forever!

## High in the Mountain

As soon as I sat down I could tell I was going to scream but I was left quiet, only screaming in my head. I could see everything from up here! From the corner of my ear I could hear Room Two cheering, "Go Jack!" I felt scared, worried but excited. Half way down I was terrified that I would fall straight to the ground at the speed of light. My heart was pounding with blood until Mrs G grabbed the tip of my shoe.



Jack



**Board of Trustees Election Update:**

Six nominations have been received for the three vacancies on the Board of Trustees and therefore a postal election will be held. Candidate statements and voting papers have been sent out to all eligible voters last week. All votes must be returned in the addressed envelope provided, and only one voting paper per envelope. These can either

- be placed in the Ballot Box in the School Office during school time (8.30am-3.30pm daily) and must be received by 4pm, Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December
- or posted back to: The Returning Officer, 90 Churton Drive, Churton Park

If posting, post it as soon as possible – New Zealand Post has reduced the frequency of its mail delivery service. Your vote will not be counted unless the envelope is postmarked before the date of the election (9<sup>th</sup> December) and received by the returning officer not later than five dates after the date of the election.

Signed Adrienne Hilton  
Returning Officer



**PARKING!!!! PARKING!!!! PARKING!!!!**

This is an urgent message and plea to all parents/caregivers who are picking students up from school. The congestion and inconsideration of many drivers has meant irate neighbours, danger to other drivers and significant hazards for our students.

You must not double park under any circumstances, stop on yellow lines or block driveways of neighbours properties in Churton Drive, Dormar Place & Cranwell Street. If you cannot find an immediate park please drive up or down the road and find a park elsewhere. Students are fit and healthy and can spot your car from afar and are quite capable of walking to vehicles. Sometimes delaying your pick up time till 3.10pm could mean you get a much closer park and gives students time to get down the driveway.

**Lost Property**

At the end of each term it is concerning to see so many good quality items of clothing being taken to the second hand shop from our lost property basket. Already this term the basket is overflowing. If items were labelled we could return them immediately to their rightful owner. Please ask your child to check the basket inside the hall foyer for sweatshirts, raincoats etc. It would be great to reunite clothing with its rightful owner.



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School term dates for 2021.

- Term 1 - Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> April
- Term 2 – Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Fri 9<sup>th</sup> July
- Term 3 - Mon 26<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Oct
- Term 4 – Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Dec