



CHURTON PARK SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 24

Term 3 Week 8

15th September 2021

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

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa. Greetings to you all. We are celebrating Te Wiki o te Reo Māori this week.

It's been fantastic to be back at school and see all the smiling faces eager to learn. I'm incredibly proud of how well all the children have settled straight back into school life. Thank you again for your support and understanding of the Level 2 protocols we have in place.

Drop off and Pick up

Thank you to everyone for staying with your vehicle when parked in the drop off zone and moving on quickly and carefully in the mornings. At the end of the school day please try to time your pick up with the staggered finish times. We have parents trying to pick up their children at 2.50 pm and cars are waiting in the pick zone for their children that finish at 3 pm.

To help reduce congestion outside the school consider picking up your children further down Churton Drive or Halswater Drive and letting them walk.

Playground Update

We were scheduled to have a pre-start meeting in September with the playground company (Playground Creations), however, they are based in Auckland so of course, this is on hold until there is a change in Alert Levels up there. We are hoping this will not delay things too much and the playground will be finished in November but it's out of our hands at the moment. Fingers crossed for a good result with this.

Building Update

Yesterday was meant to be the completion date for the construction work on rooms 14-17 but of course, once again Covid got in the way. Everything going well from here on, we are looking at the completion of the rooms by the end of the term and moving in over the term break.

Alert Level 2

As you are well aware, we are still at Alert Level 2 and we continue with fundamental public health measures:

- Physical distancing (not touching and not breathing on each other at Alert Level 2)
- Hand hygiene
- Cough and sneeze etiquette
- Regularly cleaning and disinfecting high touch surfaces
- Please use the QR code posters at our entrances every time you come onsite.

Cohort Entry Community Notification

Thank you for your feedback on Cohort Entry. There was overwhelming support for Churton Park School to introduce Cohort Entry. Therefore, the Churton Park School Board has ratified Cohort Entry to be implemented from term 1 2022.

There will be two entry points per term:

- one on the first day of term
- one at a mid-point during a term.

Cohort entry does not replace the legal requirement that a child start school at age six. Parents, caregivers and whānau can still choose to not enrol their child before then. If a child has already been enrolled at another school, and is moving to Churton Park School then cohort entry does not apply.

Āraia te kino and protect yourself, your whānau and your whakapapa.

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

WELCOME TO OUR CHURTON PARK SCHOOL FAMILY.....



Join
Kenepuru Stream

Learning Celebrations



Our three way conferences are coming up on Tuesday 21 September and Wednesday 22 September from 3.15 -7.30pm. With the current COVID restrictions we are offering the option of face to face or virtual interviews.

Families are invited to a meeting which consists of 10 minutes with your child's home teacher and 5 minutes meeting the other teachers in the collaborative space.

Also, due to COVID restrictions we ask that you arrive just before your scheduled meeting and socially distance while outside. We will be sticking strictly to 15 minute interviews due to these restrictions.

Children in Mrs Burvill's class do not need to book an interview. Mrs Burvill will contact parents to arrange your six week catch-up.

To book your conference visit www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and use the code r7uzj

BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE

It was great to be able to meet in person this week – even if we were socially distanced apart! A big thank-you to parents, teachers, support staff, whanau and others in your bubble for supporting our Tamariki and each other through these Alert Level Changes.

We reviewed the survey responses for adopting a Cohort Entry for New Entrants. Of the responses received 93% were in favour of the change. The Board ratified this and the Cohort Entry will start from Term 1 2022. The Year 6 camp in November has been approved. Spending three nights at Camp Makahika in Levin is part of our EOTC programme and provides excellent opportunities for growing our students, particularly in resilience, leadership, self-managements, teamwork, and problem solving.

CPS is part of a Kahui Ako – a cluster of 11 schools across the northern suburbs, with a purpose of being better together. Tania Horton is an Across School Leader and she led a presentation to the Board detailing the work the Kahui Ako is doing, particularly with Well Being and developing Confident, Capable, Empowered Learners.

Noho Ora Mai, Your School Board.

Term Dates 2022

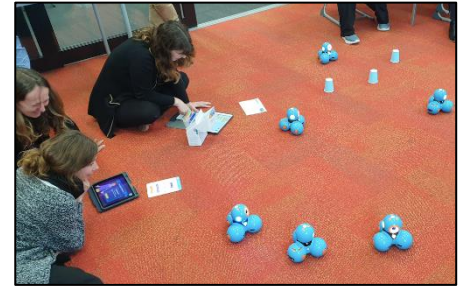
| Term | Dates | Public Holidays & Teacher Only Days |
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| Term 1: | Thursday 3 rd February – Thursday 14 th April | Waitangi Day - observed Monday 7 th Feb Good Friday - 15 th April 1 Teacher Only Day - TBC |
| Term 2: | Monday 2 nd May – Friday 8 th July | Queen's Birthday - Monday 6 th June Matariki - Friday 24 th June 1 Teacher Only Day - TBC |
| Term 3: | Monday 25 th July – Friday 30 th September | 1 Teacher Only Day - TBC |
| Term 4: | Monday 17 th October – Friday 16 th December | Labour Day - Monday 24 th October 1 Teacher Only Day - TBC |

Exciting News!!

Thanks to the support from Joanna Dowle who was able to secure us a grant from Pub Charities grants. A special thanks to 1841 Bar and Restaurant and 1852 Pub and Kitchen for their contribution.



We were able to purchase some new robots to support the teaching of the Digital Technologies curriculum. The teachers will be learning how to use the new technology in line with the computational thinking and designing and developing digital outcomes before introducing them to our learners.



The Dash robots have this week been incorporated into the Upper Tōtara Ridge phonics programme where learners are using them to learn about homophones. We are looking forward to sharing our creations!



A Message from the Home & School Association Committee

Kia ora e te Whānau,

Due to being at Alert Level 2, the Quiz Night has been postponed to Thursday 18 November. We look forward to seeing you all then.

See you soon for a night to remember!
Nashwa



Term 3 Policy Reviews

Please use the instructions below to give your feedback on the Behaviour Management and Concerns & Complaints policies.

Visit the website <https://churtonpark.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

1. Enter the username (churtonpark) and password (learningforlife).
2. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
3. Read the policy.
4. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
5. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
6. Enter your name (optional).
7. Submit your ratings and comments.
8. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

Upcoming Dates for your Calendar

(This is not an exclusive list but an attempt to give you some pre-warning to assist your planning)

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| 15 September | Year 6 parent camp meeting – 6.30pm, Lower Totara Grove classrooms |
| 21 September | 3 Way Celebrations |
| 22 September | 3 Way Celebrations |
| 22 September | School Photos |
| 1 October | End of Term 3 |
| 18 October | Term 4 begins |
| 25 October | Labour Day holiday – school closed |
| 26 October | Staff Only Day – school closed to all students |
| 18 th November | Home & School Association Quiz Night – 7pm Waiora Hub |



KELLY CLUB CHURTON PARK OCT HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Kelly Club Churton Park Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment.

This programme are packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned: **Dragons & Unicorns Day, Arty Party Day, Under the Sea Day and Battle Royale Day.** We have heaps of fun craft, lots of games, cooking and trips to Wellington Zoo and Mini Golf! Click on the link to see the activity planner - Kelly Club Churton Park Activity Planner

To enrol www.kellyclub.co.nz, email churtonpark@kellysports.co.nz or ph. 022 010 9972

Olympic Junior Athletics

Registration is now open for our Junior Athletics Season. Check out www.olympicjuniors.nz for information on what we offer, times, dates and membership fees. Athletics is a great sport for developing running, jumping and throwing for all ages.

Johnsonville Junior Softball - Register now for Softball 5 - 14 years

at <https://www.sporty.co.nz/jvillesc/> or contact johnsonvillejuniorsoftball@gmail.com, by the 26th September 2021. Check out Johnsonville Softball Club on Facebook, or contact johnsonvillejuniorsoftball@gmail.com or phone Sue on 0272760644 for more information.

Why not also come and join us for: **Have a go day!**

Sunday 19th September 2021, Newlands Intermediate, 12pm until 1pm (u7 / u9 / u11), 1pm until 2pm (u13 / u15), Free Sausage sizzle for kids!

- New & existing players welcome

Reminder

School Photos: Wednesday 22 September

End of Term 3: Friday 1st October 2.50 – 3.00pm

Staff Only Day: Tuesday 26th October – school closed to all students

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