



CHURTON PARK SCHOOL

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

Empowering Connected Lifelong Learners

Kia ora koutou e te whānau

Farewells



We have some staff to farewell as this school year comes to a close. Wendy Van der Molen, is retiring and has been at Churton Park School since 2005. We are grateful to Wendy for all her work at CPS over those years and wish her and her husband all the very best in their retirement.



Carolyn Player has been at CPS off and on since 1994. She has taken up an exciting opportunity to be an RTLB (Resource Teacher for

Learning and Behaviour), we wish her all the very best in her new career.

Dr Tim Markwell, has taken a position at Queen Margaret's College. He has been associated with the school since 2006 when his eldest child started here. We are appreciative of his work here over the years and wish him well.



We have 48 Year 6 students preparing to move on to intermediate in 2023. My thanks to them for the contributions they have made to our school and we wish them all the best for the future.

Welcome

We are very pleased to have Lucy Smith and Mikayla Renor join our team in 2023.

Mikayla will be in the Year 3/4 team and Lucy in the Year 5/6.

Hubs & Locations for 2023

Hub 1/2	
Kenepuru Stream	Ponga Grove
Lynsey Burvill (Yr 1) Grace Esquilant (Yr 1) Brydie Wolfe (Yr 1/2)	Tania Horton (Yr 2) Charmaine Carlaw (Yr 2)
Hub 3/4	
Pukehuia	
Vic Sharp (Yr 3/4) Mikayla Renor (Yr 3/4)	Nicki Stempa (Yr 3/4) Peter Sim (Yr 3/4)
Hub 5/6	
Lower Totara Ridge	Upper Totara Ridge
Ash George (Yr 5/6) Francie Martin (Yr 5/6) Jenny Brown (Yr 5/6)	Nicola Donovan (Yr 5/6) Lucy Smith (Yr 5/6)

The reason we have changed some of the year groups to different buildings is to cater for the sizes of the year groups. The reason we have some composite classes is to create the best student to teacher ratio that we can. This has no influence on the teaching and learning in those classes. The needs of students and levels are catered for regardless.

Consultation Feedback

Thank you again to those that took the time to attend the consultation sessions during the learning conferences and completed the survey sent out in term 3. The school has used this information to help develop our new three year strategic plan which we will share with you in the new year.

Attendance

There has been a lot of talk lately in the media that only 40% of children in New Zealand attend school regularly. It's important to put some context around this. The data for this was from Term 2 and if you had more than one week off during that term, you were considered to not be attending school regularly. Considering that students who have COVID were required to stay home for 7 days, it's not surprising that there are so many students "not attending school regularly". We receive termly reports from the Ministry of Education and as I've mentioned in previous emails, our attendance figures are in the 90% range. One area we could improve on are students coming to school late. It's best if students can be here 10-15 mins before the start of school so they can get organised and settled into the day ready to learn.

A reminder that our final day of school this year is Friday 16th December and school will close at 12.30 pm

Messages from the board

I'd like to acknowledge and thank Kevin Brown who is stepping down from the presiding member role and the Board at the end of this year. Kevin has been on the Board for the last 5 years and presiding member (formerly board chair) for the past 3 ½ years. Kevin has provided excellent leadership through a challenging couple of years, he brought a wealth of knowledge and experience to the role and leaves the school in a very healthy position.

Work on the Engagement & Communications Plan has started and will continue into the new year. Part of this work includes updating and refreshing the school's identity. At the moment, we have several versions and variations of logo and school colours. We want to bring this all together for a cohesive and strong identity. Keep an eye out for some ideas and concepts for an updated logo consultation soon.

Matt

School wide Christmas themed day on Thursday 8th December – Tomorrow!

Help us to celebrate the school value of FUN! We encourage everyone to dress Christmassy - a hat, a headband, a t-shirt, a jersey etc - to get into the Christmas spirit!





School Library Book and Summer Reading Adventure

Please search all nooks and crannies in the classroom and at home for any school library books and return them to the library by Monday 5th December 2022 for stocktaking. We continue to encourage student reading for pleasure this summer. All students who will be returning to Churton Park School in 2023 and are keen to choose up to ten books to read over this holiday have received the parental-permission slips to take home.

Summer reading books will be issued on Monday and Tuesday 12-13th December. Please provide each student with a reusable bag to take these books home and return the books to the school library in the second week of Term 1, 2023.

Wellington Public Libraries invite the tamariki, rangatahi and pakeke of Wellington on a **Summer Reading Adventure**, Starting on 1st December to 31st January 2023. Pick up the Adventurer's Guide from your local library or visit wcl.beanstack.org to get you started.



Save the Date

Our Year 6 Leavers celebration will be held on Wednesday 14th December at 6pm in the school hall. Families of our Year 6s are invited to attend and help us celebrate with these wonderful students!

Yummy Stickers

Thank you for collecting the Yummy Fruit Stickers this year. We now have more equipment for our p.e. trolley.



Congratulations To Our Amazing Sports People



Alistair Bai competed at the Swimming Wellington Relay Championship over the weekend. He worked hard with his club team and together won two gold medals:

Boys 9&U 200 Metre Medley Relay 4x50m

Boys 9&U 200 Metre Free Relay 4x50m

Congratulations to Ovin Angamma who, after qualifying in the 800m race at the inter Zone Athletics meeting last week competed on Tuesday in Masterton at the Regional Athletics meet and came second.



OUR VALUES:

Manaakitanga
Respect

Pou manawaroa
Resilience

Eke Panuku
Success

Hauora
Wellbeing

Ngahau
Fun

As the Year 6s reflect on their time at CPS, here are the words that come to mind:



We have been thinking about the type of people we want to grow into. Here are some of our goals for the future!

I WANT TO BE:

JACK - HONEST, SPORTY, FUNNY
 DANIEL - KIND, FUNNY, ATHLETIC
 ZOE - HONEST, HUMBLE, LOYAL
 SENUL - LOYAL, TRUSTWORTHY, HELPFUL
 JESS - HONEST, LOYAL, SPORTY
 MACKENZIE - INDEPENDENT, KIND, TRUSTWORTHY
 SETH - SILLY, HAPPY, FUN
 GAO XING - HONEST, FRIENDLY, POSITIVE
 WILLIAM - HELPFUL, FUNNY, LOYAL
 CHARLIE - HUMOROUS, CONFIDENT, ATHLETIC
 RYEMA - HUMOROUS, FRIENDLY, KIND
 AARUSH - HUMBLE, CREATIVE, GENEROUS
 KATE - SELF-MANAGING, ENCOURAGING, FUN
 GINA - HELPFUL, KIND, TRUSTWORTHY
 TOBY - HILARIOUS, HONEST, FRIENDLY
 ELI - LIKABLE, LOYAL, HIGH ACHIEVER
 XAVIER - HELPFUL, LOYAL
 JOSH - LOYAL, HUMBLE, RELIABLE
 MATTHEW - ARTY, HILARIOUS, THOUGHTFUL
 ANISHA - TRUSTWORTHY, CREATIVE, KIND

ARTUR - SPORTY, SMART, HONEST
 TAANE - HILARIOUS, ATHLETIC, LOYAL
 BROOKE - GOOD FRIEND, ENCOURAGING, KIND
 KAYLA - SPORT, FUN, KIND
 ALICE - TRUSTWORTHY, HARD-WORKING, HONEST
 JAMIE - SMART, SPORTY, CREATIVE
 LUCAS - HELPFUL, HUMOROUS, ENERGETIC
 LIV E - INDEPENDENT, DETERMINED, FRIENDLY
 PIXIE - CREATIVE, HELPFUL, HONEST
 OVIN - LOYAL, ATHLETIC, FRIENDLY
 SOPHIE K - KIND, LOYAL, HARD-WORKING
 MINA - PET-OWNER, HELPFUL, KIND
 BLAKE - SPORTY, FRIENDLY, HONEST
 GABRIEL - FUNNY, HARD-WORKER, TRUSTWORTHY
 SOPHIE W - HELPFUL, HARD-WORKER, DEPENDABLE
 LACHIE - HAPPY, FRIENDLY, ATHLETIC
 DARPAD - TRUSTWORTHY, HELPFUL, SPORTY
 EVA - ATHLETIC, THOUGHTFUL, DETERMINED
 JUDAH - LOYAL, DETERMINED, CREATIVE
 ETHAN - HELPFUL, HONEST, FRIENDLY
 BELLA - CONFIDENT, BRAVE, PEACEFUL



Kelly Club Churton Park

Join us for a fun filled Pre-Xmas and January School Holiday Programmes, they are packed with lots exciting days including:

Pre-Xmas holiday Programme – Mon 19 Dec – Thurs 22 Dec

Super Summer Fun Day, Santa's Little Helpers Day, Xmas Party Day plus a trip to Laser force and lots of more Xmas fun!

Jan 2023 Holiday Programme – Mon 9 Jan – Tues 31 Jan 2023

Slimetastic Day, It's Game Day (with Inflatable & Giant Games), Movie Madness Day, Postively Pawtastic Day, H2O Let's Go Day, Child VS Wild Day, Wet N Wild Day, plus trips to: The Kelly Sports Carnival Day (held at Ngatittoa Domain, Porirua), Mini Golf, Bowling, Picnic in the Garden plus lots more!!

To Book go to www.kellyclub.co.nz

Goodtime Music Academy teaches at your school and is taking enrolments for In-School music lessons now. If you want your child to be a part of these award winning music lessons, and may not want to commit to taking your child anywhere after school, then in-school lessons may be the solution for you. Learn in a group setting, and choose between Drums, Guitar, Keyboard, Ukulele. Or try their 'Intro to Music' course. Please visit www.goodtimemusicacademy.co.nz/learn-at-school to enrol and enquire. You can also call them on 04 568 2237. Spaces are limited so get in quick!

Johnsonville Junior Cricket

Would your son or daughter like to join a cricket team this summer?

We need a few more players for our Year 3 (soft ball grade) and Year 5 (hard ball grade) teams. (Your child must be in Y3 or Y5 at school NOW in Nov 2022)

Matches are on Saturday mornings starting at 8.30am, and training could be on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday nights depending on which team your child goes into.

Please email info@icc.org.nz to register your interest and we will be in touch.

This offer is only open until we get the number of players required for these Y3 and Y5 teams.

RĀROA MUSIC CENTRE REGISTRATION FOR 2023

Rāroa Music Centre offers Saturday morning group music lessons for primary and intermediate school children at low cost (\$70 per year + \$40 koha or parent volunteering). We offer music basics, cello, clarinet, drums & percussion, flute, guitar, keyboard, orchestra, recorder, saxophone, ukulele, and violin.

You are welcome to come along to see what it's all about. Orientation tours will be held on Saturday 3rd December between 10:00am – 12:30pm at Rāroa Intermediate School.

To register for 2023 visit our website and enrol online. Registrations close 18th February 2023.

www.raroamusic.org.nz



GREAT NEWS! Bigair Gym is holding its Annual Cheerleading Trials for next years 2023 teams! NZ Cheerleading is a mix of dance, gymnastics & tumbling. Don't miss out on this opportunity to find out more by signing up today via

emailing office@bigairgym.co.nz! Cheerleading is a rewarding individual & team sport that young people love and adore, and continue right through and into their teens, having a positive impact on their health and development. Your cheerleader will also create friendships that last a lifetime!

BIGAIR GYMS Drop & Shop December School Holiday Programme is running Mon 19th – Wed 21st December 2022! Full day and half day sessions are available. This is a wonderful opportunity for kids to keep active and to learn something new during the holidays! **BIGAIR GYMS January Holiday Programme will run Mon 9th – 27th Jan 2023.** Bookings will be open on Monday 28th Nov! Book through our online website: www.bigairgym.co.nz



Brain Play teaches online after-school science & technology classes to Kiwi kids aged 5 - 13, from right across the country! Online topics this term include 3D printing, coding, animation, STEM experiments, LEGO & more. Free trials available for new students. Get Term 1 2023 sorted! Check out our timetable on our website and use the form to get in touch - <https://www.brainplay.co.nz/>.

INVERLOCHY **Art** SCHOOL

Holiday and Term 1 Young Artists Courses

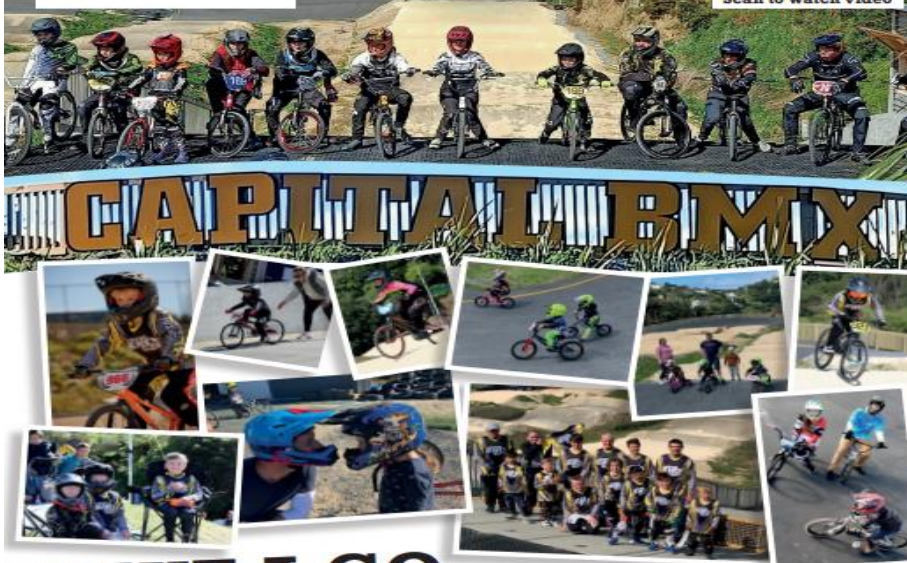
<p>Holiday Programme Jan 2023 Mon - Fri, 16-20 Jan, 9:30am-12:30pm Tues - Fri, 24-27 Jan, 9:30am-12:30pm</p>	<p>Term 1 2023 Mon, 13 Feb - 3 April (8 weeks), 3:30pm-5:30pm Tues, 14 Feb - 4 April (8 weeks), 3.30pm-5:30pm</p>
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