

School Calendar 2016

- 25 July Term 3 starts
- 9 Aug PTA meeting in Community Room (Room 3) - all welcome - 3 15 pm - children will be supervised during meeting
- 9 Aug Board meeting - 6 pm
- 17 Aug Team Harakeke trip to Margaret Mahy playground
- 19 Aug Whole School Assembly - Hall - everyone welcome - 9 15 am
- 25 Aug Strum Strike Blow concert at Horncastle Arena - student practice during school hours
- 25 Aug Strum Strike Blow concert at Horncastle Arena - 7 pm; entry by donation for whānau
- 2 Sept Kapahaka Cultural Festival practice (am) and performance (pm) at Horncastle Arena
- 5 Sept Kids for Kids rehearsal (am) at Horncastle Arena
- 5 Sept Kids for Kids concert at Horncastle Arena - 7 pm
- 5-9 Sep Whole school art gallery trips - please ensure student activity contribution paid
- 6 Sept PTA meeting in Community Room (Room 3) - all welcome - 3 15 pm - children will be supervised during meeting
- 9 Sept Whole School Assembly - Hall - everyone welcome - 9 15 am
- 13 Sept PTA **Quiz Night** fundraiser - 7 pm - Ferrymead Speights Alehouse - get a team together - register at the school office from Week 3 Term 3
- 20 Sept Board meeting - 6 pm
- 23 Sept Term 3 ends
- 10 Oct Term 4 starts
- 24 Oct Labour Day - school holiday
- 1 Nov Board meeting - 6 pm
- 11 Nov Show Day - school holiday
- 29 Nov Board meeting - 6 pm
- 16 Dec Term 4 ends (to be confirmed)

Vision/Purpose Statement

A Vibrant Inspirational Learning Community
in the Heart of the City

Our Values

Excellence Equity Integrity Sense of Community
Te Ririte Te Ririte Ngākau Pono Nohonga Tahitanga

Strategic Goals

- 1 Teaching and Learning** - To provide great teaching and learning opportunities with strong links to our curriculum and the wider community
- 2 Relationships** - To be characterised by positive relationships within and beyond the school, based on our school values and restorative approach
- 3 Environment** - To work towards site development, meeting the current and future needs of students, staff, parents and community

Kia ora everyone

Welcome back to another action-packed term at Christchurch East School. It has been great to see all of our students return to their learning as we **Learn with Heart** together! I would like to welcome new families who have joined our school; it is great to have you as part of our learning community.

This term our school-wide learning focus is **Aotearoa's Place in this World** and our staff have spent a lot of time preparing and planning for vibrant inspirational experiences related to this topic. We have a number of students representing the school in the performance areas, and there will be opportunities for you to attend the public performances of our kapahaka group and our choir and music groups in the near future.

At the end of last term you would have attended a 3-Way Learning Conference with your child to discuss their **learning progress and next steps**. Please continue to come in and talk to your child's teacher about their learning progress. Staff make themselves available in the classroom most days before and after school for this purpose.

I would encourage all parents looking for a way to support our school to come along and join our **PTA**. Mel and the team do amazing things to support our school in so many ways. Even if you cannot attend the meetings, contact Mel and the team and

they will find a way in which you can be involved. Hopefully I will see you all at their **Quiz Night** later in the term.

This term we have a couple of staffing changes. Firstly we welcome **Deb Palmer** back to the school office. It is great to have Deb back and I am sure you will make her feel welcome. On a sad note, later this term **Miss Chambers** in Room 5 will be leaving us. We are currently in the process of finding a replacement for Leona, and



with the school's ever-growing roll we could possibly be opening an additional classroom this term as well. We will keep you up-to-date as things progress.

Finally, the steady stream of students who proudly come to share their



learning with me is a always a real highlight. It so rewarding to see their smiles and pride in the way they are **Learning with Heart** by either **Living the Values** or displaying the **C+O+O+L Factor**

through the **Learner Qualities**. Well done, everyone!



Thank you all for your continued support of our **Vibrant and Inspirational School in the HEART of the City**. I look forward to catching up with you around the school.

Regards

Mike, Principal

Community notices

We anticipate that all community groups advertising in this newsletter will be following best practice guidelines.

After school art: on Mondays 3 30 - 4 30 pm, for 5 - 9 year olds, and Tuesdays - Thursdays 3 20 - 5 30 pm, for 10 year olds and up. Saturday arts and crafts sessions in Opawa. Contact Ira on 0274 489 932.

iraartist@hotmail.com www.artbyira.net

Botanic D'Lights: Take the family to this week's spectacle at the Christchurch Botanic Gardens. Over five nights, Botanic D'Lights transforms the Gardens with illuminated artworks and innovative light installations. Come along on 3 - 7 August 2016, from 7 - 9 pm.

The event is designed for families of all ages to enjoy, with plenty of hot drinks and street food available to purchase on site, as well as lighting merchandise available from three 'pop up' shops. Families are advised to dress warmly and bring a torch. Entry to the event is via a gold coin donation, the proceeds of which will go to revitalising the Children's Garden. View bethere.co.nz for more information.

Found pet rabbit: a white and black medium sized rabbit has shown up in a Worcester Street neighbour's garden. If you think he's yours, contact the school office and we'll pass on contact details for you to claim him.

Cultural Festival 2016

This year our Senior Kapahaka Group is performing on 2 September 2016 at the matinee show at Horncastle Arena from 12 30 pm - 2 30 pm. Tickets can be ordered through Ticketek if you wish to come along and support our tamariki from Christchurch East School. We look forward to celebrating and showcasing our Senior Kapahaka group at the Cultural Festival 2016.



News from Team Harakeke ...

Our major learning focus across the school last term was

Reaching Out. In Harakeke we looked at what we thought were the major issues facing Christchurch, what others have

done

to

add value to our

community, and how we

can add value ourselves. In

the last few weeks of last

term, we had visits from

Constable Meg, with the

Christchurch Police, Emily



from All Right?, Belinda and Val from the Christchurch City Council's graffiti programme, and Elissa from Junior Neighbourhood Watch, and have learned that we can all positively impact our community in small

ways, such as reporting graffiti, getting to know our neighbours, being friendly to each other, and getting out and enjoying our wonderful community!



CHRISTCHURCH EAST SCHOOL

WEEK 2 TERM 3 2016

3 August 2016

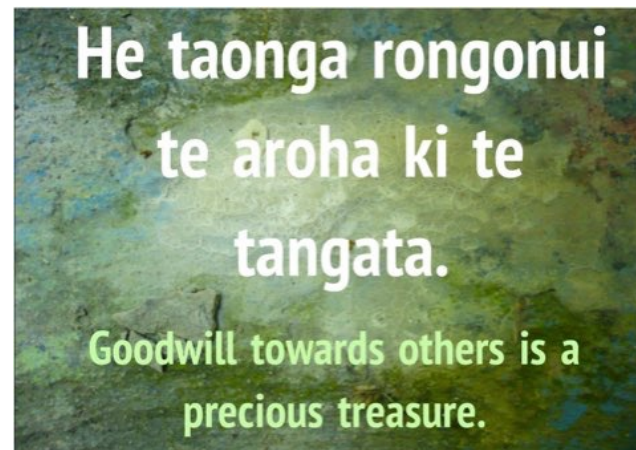
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This term's whakataukī