

School Calendar

31 July	Parent Information Evening - Team Harakeke - 5 30 pm in the Library
15 Aug	Whole School Assembly (Kauri Team led) 9.15am PTA discos: 5.30 - 6 30 pm, and 7 - 8 30 pm Theme: Space
20 Aug	Community Meetings
25 Aug	PTA meeting 3 15 pm in Community Room
22/29 Aug	Winter Sport ends at Hagley Park
1-5 Sept	Cultural Festival week
5 Sept	Whole School Assembly (Koru Team led) 9.15am
17 Sept	Film Festival iMovie Celebration - Hall - further details to follow
22 Sept	PTA meeting 3 15 pm in Community Room
24 Sept	Strum Strike Blow performance - practice during day, with evening performance at CBS
26 Sept	Whole School Assembly (Harakeke Team led) Term 3 ends
13 Oct	Term 4 starts
17 Oct	Whole School Assembly (Kauri Team led) 9.15am
20 Oct	PTA AGM - Community Room - all welcome
27 Oct	Labour Day - school holiday
7 Nov	Whole School Assembly (Koru Team led) 9.15am
13 Nov	Teacher-only day: school closed for instruction
14 Nov	Show Day - school holiday
25 Nov	Three-Way Learning Conferences
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28 Nov	Whole School Assembly (Harakeke Team led) 9.15am
10 Dec	Final Learning Celebration - Hall - 1 pm - all welcome
11 Dec	School Picnic at the Groyes
12 Dec	Term 4 ends (to be confirmed)

Vision/Purpose Statement

A Vibrant Inspirational Learning Community
in the Heart of the City

Our Values

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

1	Implement the Curriculum
2	Raise Student Achievement
3	Strengthen the Learning Community

Kia ora everyone,

There are so many great things happening at Christchurch East this year and this is also reflected in our schools growing roll which continues to increase as we welcome new families to our school.

I trust the school holidays are by now a distant memory as term three is well underway. As a staff we had some great in house professional development focusing on the teaching of writing, the implementation of our cultural festivals and also the planning for 2015. Our first week this term was a great start to term three and was capped off by an amazing learning celebration assembly run by Team Harakeke. Our theme for the term is 'In the Spotlight' and we have a number of activities and learning experiences planned to allow our students to showcase their talents.

This term we welcome Hanka Scott to the team at Christchurch East. Hanka has joined our school from Aranui Primary and is a great addition to our office team. Also Maria Goulter will go on Maternity leave for the remainder of her 2014 contract, we wish Maria and Danny all the best for their new arrival and also welcome Simon Puddle who will take over teaching duties in Room 9. Simon has already been in the school several times to meet the student and ensure the transition goes smoothly.

In term one of this year we had a team from the Education Review Office come to our school as part of our review cycle.

While this review process was complicated due to the fact the I was away on sick leave for a month which included the lead up time and onsite component of the review, we are pleased to say the report has been completed and is now available on the ERO Website. There is also a link on our school website on the Board of Trustees page to the review, this page also has our 2013 Analysis of Variance. As a staff we have reviewed the findings of the ERO Review and what this means for our school moving forward. The review will be one of the things we will share at our community meeting scheduled for the 20th of August and we look forward to your participation at one of these session on that day.

There are so many vibrant and inspirational events and learning experiences planned for this term for our students including move night, the culture festival and many others, I look forward to seeing you around the school or at one of these events.

Regards

Mike - Principal

**SCHOOL COMMUNITY MEETINGS will take place on
Wednesday, 20th August - more details to come.**

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

**Congratulations to Noah Smith and Noah Bean,
both of whom qualified to represent
Christchurch East School and the North East
Zone by finishing in the top 6 at the Zones Cross
Country event last term. They did us all proud at
the Canterbury Championships - well done
boys!**

**Many thanks to the Canterbury Rugby Football
Union (CRFU) for their kind donation of mouth
guards for our two rugby teams - it was
extremely generous of them and we very much
appreciate their support.**

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Further details from the school Office

SCIRT INFORMATION: wastewater repairs in Gloucester Street (between Barbadoes Street and Fitzgerald Avenue) will continue during night until late August 2014. Two way traffic will be maintained. On-street parking will be affected in the immediate work area. School and residential access will be maintained. To ensure everyone's safety please follow on site traffic signage.

What's been happening ...?

Eid-al-Fitr marks the end of Ramadan, which is a major event on the Muslim calendar. The end of the Ramadan festival is marked by prayers at mosques and festivities with friends and family, special food, sweets and presents. This year ChCh East celebrated Eid by making some decorations which were used in our class celebrations and we also created a can trail. The cans of food will be donated to those in need within our local community.



Planet Protectors Club

Monday was the first meeting of the Planet Protectors Club at Christchurch East. 22 students came to learn how they can help make a difference to community, environment, Our aim is to Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle as much rubbish as we can, so that we put less into our landfills.



Members of the Planet Protectors Club will receive a membership card, and after a month of attending the club, students will receive a badge to celebrate that they are qualified to look after the environment at Christchurch East School. Upon completing a series of tasks, the students will be awarded a certificate at the end of the term.

Throughout Term 3 we will be focusing on improving our school's recycling system, as well as establishing a worm farm, using scraps from our lunch boxes to feed the worms. The Planet Protection Club meets every Monday at lunchtime (1.15) in Room 5.

Discovery

From the beginning of this year Team Koru have been running Discovery sessions once a week on Monday morning. Discovery brings our school curriculum alive through hands-on learning experiences which are specifically designed to meet the needs of our diverse learners. With a weekly focus on one of our school Learner Qualities this is a fantastic opportunity for students to develop vital skills in a range of areas. This term we are even more excited about Discovery after purchasing a wide range of cooking equipment. The purchase of these resources has allowed us to provide even more exciting, language-rich experiences for our tamariki.



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