

Equipping Learners to Explore and Thrive Together

Wednesday 2 September 2020 Term 3 Week 7

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Tena tatou katoa e te whänau

Every year, feedback from parents about our Student Led Conferences evening expresses enjoyment by all. This year was no different. One parent shared, "I didn't know he was doing so much! I didn't know he could navigate a Chromebook and log into a Chrome account!" As teachers and Teacher Aides, seeing our learners proud of their knowledge and skills is a rewarding experience. We have been focusing on students furthering their learner capabilities: Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Creativity, Curiosity and Resilience. I hope that you observed a progression in these.

Children came to school today more polished than normal. I do have to giggle each school photo day seeing so many children suddenly aware of which way their hair is parted and ensuring their lunch is carefully eaten. Parents, you'd be proud! The Alert Level 2 restrictions for school allow for the photos to go ahead but with measures beyond the normal. So that children are not facing the 'moist breath zone' of others, the photos will be more traditional. The taking of our Year 6 and staff photos will be delayed until Alert Level 1.

I have been informed of the Spellathon efforts by children and donating whānau and friends. I am in awe of the support out there! Our Home and School will join me in expressing gratitude for the donations.

As Alert Level 2 continues on I know the extra measures to life may seem tiresome. I want to thank all of the staff for their constant messaging that sees hygiene routines followed. I have seen a good number of parents and caregivers waiting outside the gate, careful to not increase numbers on our site. I can imagine patience is tested too as some of you await your child's rather *drawn out* journey to the gate. I remain grateful to you all! These are all things we are experiencing together. One thing I learned from listening to my Grandmother who lived through nearly a century of events, life won't be like this forever and when life is out of balance, you are provided a story to tell.

Ngā mihi - acknowledgements Kate Christie

COMING UP...

- *Assembly Friday 25 September to be confirmed
- *Dress up Day Friday 11 September (gold coin donation)
- *Library Family Evening Thursday 16 September

Please note that at the time of this newsletter we are still in Level 2. The assembly and library evening will not be able to take place if we are still in Level 2 over the coming weeks.

HAERE MAI - WELCOME...

A warm haere mai to all those parents and children who are new to our school. We look forward to getting to know our new student. **Olivia** (Y3).



TODAY'S ROLL NUMBER - 329

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Interzone Cross Country: Ka pai to our speedy runners, **Leo, Matilda, Abbey, Phoebe** and **Tom W** who won through to the Interzone Cross Country Finals held last week at Grenada. All our runners competed well. Fantastic achievement from Abbey (3rd in the Year 6 girls) and Phoebe (8th in the Year 4 girls) with both going on to Regionals. Ka pai.











Band performance: Last week our students were treated to two band performances. Our school band, *Electric* performed two pieces of music while our development band, *Magical Musicians* performed three pieces. Ka pai to our musicians, you were all amazing. Big shout out to **Sean** who works super hard with the bands. It was fantastic to see so many of our students watching the performances and dancing.



DRIVEWAY

We would appreciate it if parents/caregivers would not drive into the school driveway between the hours of 8am and 4pm. This includes driving in to turn around. We have children walking to school and staff members trying to enter the car park to park their cars and it doesn't take much for an accident to happen.

You may have seen our fancy new gates. Our latest instalment is at the top of the drive which is an electronic gate across the drive. This gate will stay closed.



STUDENT COUNCIL DRESS UP DAY AND SPORTS BANK

Our Student Council has been very busy lately and are currently organising a collection of sportswear for the Sports Bank. Thank you to everybody who has contributed. *Check out the photo below.*

The Student Council are also organising a dress up day on **Friday 11 September** with a hospital theme. This is to raise money to purchase a television for the new Children's Hospital. **Please bring in a gold coin**. They are attempting to raise \$800 from the dress up day. The money will go to the new Children's Hospital and on one of the TVs it will say kindly donated by Cashmere Avenue School.

DRESS UP DAY!

On Friday 11th September, dress up

as if you need to go to the hospital

You could be:

- Nurse
- Visitor
- Patient
- Doctor
- Surgeon
- Ambulance Officer

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BOARD ELECTIONS - DECEMBER



Interview with Simon Blunt, Board Member since 2014

What inspired you to put your name forward to be elected on our school board? I wanted to be more involved in my local community and this was a great way.

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What life experiences did you have to bring to the role?

After growing up in New Zealand and then travelling, living and working in multiple countries and organisations, this has given me a broad experience base which I could apply to the BOT role and what CAS means to the local community. My working background is within finance and accounting, and these skills are helpful in the governance areas of planning, risk and financial management.

What has surprised you?

How well the Board, school leadership and local community work together to give the best education to the children that they can.

What has been a highlight?

The successful manner in how the continual changes have occurred at Cashmere Avenue, and how these changes continue to improve the children's education.

What advice could you give new trustees?

Have an open mind, ask questions and embrace the power of a cohesive Board.

HOME AND SCHOOL

SPELLATHON: Did you know that you have blown us away?! **Thank you** to our amazing tamariki for their superstar spelling efforts and thank you to our incredible CAS whānau and community for your unbelievable generosity in supporting this fundraiser.



The spellathon prizes will be awarded at our Assembly, Friday 25 September.

Any donations/sponsorship money still floating around can be dropped to the office or deposited into the **H&S bank account: 03-0525-0016355-000** (*please use your child's name and 'spell' as a reference*). The last day to get this in will be Friday 4 September. We'll share our final tally with you so far it's pretty outstanding! Thank you.

The prizes are...

- A book voucher for one child in each syndicate who really did show 'superstar' effort.
- A free choice voucher for the class who get the most correct spelling words on average in each syndicate. A free choice voucher can be 'cashed in' with the class teacher for some serious fun - free time, a movie, an art session, games... the options are (just about) endless.

Again, THANK YOU for your support!

CALENDAR ART: How impressed were you with your mini Michaelangelo or Banksy's masterpiece at Student-led Conference night? Fantastic mahi! And it's very nearly time to place your orders.

The artworks are currently winging their way to the clever people at Kids Art Works who will load them all up on their website. Within the next week or so a notice will come home from school with details on how to order your 2021 calendars, diaries, greeting cards, sketch pads and mouse pads. We will let you know when exactly to expect it once we know, along with prices.

Orders will be made directly online (so easy!). You will be able to re-see your child's artwork on the website. If online ordering doesn't suit, you will still be able to order manually – details to come.

Orders will be delivered mid Term 4, so there will be plenty of time to post or wrap for Christmas presents.

Calendar Art is one of our key fund-raising initiatives every year and more important than ever this year. Thanks for your patience – we'll be back in touch – keep those ordering fingers poised!:)



INSPIRE PHOTOGRAPHY 17 & 18 OCTOBER: As you know we are having classroom photos taken today. However, for family photos we have arranged this year to bring in the unique talents of Simon Elwell of Inspire Photography to make your annual photos even more special.

On 17 and 18 of October our Home and School Committee are holding a family photo shoot weekend at Cashmere Avenue School.

We will send out an email this week with details on how to book a 15 minute slot for your own personal photography shoot with Simon. Cost is \$20 which goes entirely and directly to our school and we will also receive 10% of all prints ordered.

Simon is well known for his ability to capture amazing photos using natural light, resulting in bright photos with happy kids. If you haven't already come across Simon's work, you can check it out at www.inspirephotography.co.nz.

Save the date – 17 or 18 October 2020. Look out for our Inspire Photography email.

YUMMY APPLES TIME AGAIN

The "Healthy Eating, Healthy Living" "Yummy" sports promotion has sports money for schools with \$200,000.00 OF FREE SPORTS GEAR! Over the past few years the school has received a huge amount of sports equipment from this promotion including balls, bats, hoops, cricket gear, etc.

Crunch your way through "Yummy" Apples, collect the "cut out" labels from the 2kg bags of apples or individual Yummy apple stickers (each 2kg bag "cut out" is worth 10 stickers!) Bring your stickers to school for your class chart. Get going, start collecting your "Yummy" 2kg cut out labels and stickers now! Let's see how many stickers we can get by **Friday 18 September.**

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS TO THE END OF TERM THREE

Week 7	Wednesday	2 September		School Photos
	Thursday	3 September		
	Friday	4 September		
Week 8	Monday	7 September	7.30pm	Home & School Meeting
	Tuesday	8 September		Amesbury Cross Country-Juniors cancelled
	Wednesday	9 September		
	Thursday	10 September		
	Friday	11 September		
Week 9	Monday	14 September		
	Tuesday	15 September		
	Wednesday	16 September	6.00pm-7.00pm	Library Family Evening - (TBC) All welcome
	Thursday	17 September		
	Friday	18 September		Sausage Sizzle
Week 10	Monday	21 September		
	Tuesday	22 September	7.30pm	Board of Trustees - staffroom
	Wednesday	23 September		
	Thursday	24 September		
	Friday	25 September	2.00pm	Assembly (TBC) - Cochran Hall - All welcome End of Term 3

TERM DATES 2020				
Term 3	Monday 20 July 2020 - Term 3 Begins Friday 25 September 2020 - Term 3 Ends School holidays: Saturday 26 September - Sunday 13 October			
Term 4	Monday 12 October 2020 - Term 4 Begins Tuesday 15 December 2020 - Term 4 Ends School Holidays Wednesday 16 December Teacher only day Friday 23 October; Labour Day Monday 26 October			

HOME AND SCHOOL LUNCHES

Place your order by Tuesday evening – lunch delivered on Wednesday

Given our new play, eat, learn system, it is a good idea for your child/ren to have a few snacks just in case as lunches won't be delivered until 1.00pm.

Please place lunch orders before 9am on a Wednesday. Don't forget to postpone / cancel your order in

case of sickness. Remind your child that lunch orders can be collected from the hall at 1.00pm. *Pita Pit*: Orders must be paid in advance via www.lunchonline.co.nz. – select preferred options. *Lunches Unlimited*: The menu is on our school website: www.cashmere-ave.school.nz Email orders to lunchesunlimited@gmail.com. Please include your child's name and class number. Payments to: 12 3223 0196593 00.

Sushi - ezlunch: Place your order for WEDNESDAYS via the Kindo Shop on your school website (or via www.ezlunch.co.nz).

COMMUNITY NOTICES

These are provided as a service to the community and may not reflect the policies and practices of the school.

https://www.cashmere-ave.school.nz/information/community-notices/

Lunchtimes At Cashmere Avenue School

Guitar & Keyboard - Tuesday to Thursday; French - Monday; Chess - Tuesday

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL!

ONSLOW COLLEGE ROWING CLUB BOOK FAIR





Raising funds to support our coaches, rowers & coxswains

Fiction | Non-Fiction | Children's Books



9.00am-5.00pm SAT 12th & 9.00am-12.00pm SUN 13th SEPTEMBER

To be held in the Student Centre, Onslow College, Burma Road, Johnsonville – drive on up!

Sausage sizzle. EFTPOS available.

[PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR FAIR WILL NOT BE PROCEEDING IF WELLINGTON IS STILL IN LEVEL 2]

YMCA AFTER AND BEFORE SCHOOL PLACES IN TERM 3

We have been notified that YMCA has spaces available **before** and **after** school. If you go to work early then **Before School Care** is a good option. It's open 7.30am - 8.30am and the cost is \$10 per session. To book please visit ymcawellington.org.nz.

OUR VALUES











TOP 10 BEHAVIOURS

These are the 'Top Ten' that you may have heard about through your child's discussion on school business!

Building Positive Relationships

The 'Top 10'

- 1. Control and manage our feelings
- 2. Have meaningful conversations PATCH IT
- 3. Invite and include others
- 4. Cooperate, share, take turns
- 5. Use good manners and friendly talk
- 6. Accept that others may think and feel differently
- 7. Use humour (be funny) without offending others
- 8. Be kind helpful and sympathetic
- 9. Negotiate and problem-solve
- 10. Admit to mistakes and apologise when in the wrong



