

Newsletter

DEAR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

NGĀ MIHI NUI KI A KOUTOU KATOA. GREETINGS TO YOU ALL

Last week our Year 6 students enjoyed a visit from Year 7 college students, as part of the transition to college programme. Our Year 6 leavers are also very excited about their aquatics day next week when they will join their peers from Goldfields Primary for a day on the water based at the College Aquatic Centre at McNulty Inlet.

On Monday more than 50 of our Years 5/6 students headed to Alexandra for their “Sticks & Stones” Fun Day alongside several other local schools. This group is “by young people, for young people”. Sticks and Stones creates programmes, opportunities, workshops and events for 8-18 year olds that empower them to have the skills, confidence and connections to be themselves and support their peers to feel accepted and respected and for bullying to be a thing of the past. Our recent “Pink Shirt Day”, organised by the Sticks and Stones Group, was to help promote a bully-free school environment at Cromwell Primary School.

This week Kārearea Team students were excited that they were finally able to experience kayaking at the Cromwell Swim Centre. Next week our Year 4 students head to Te Rau Aroha Marae in Bluff for their annual overnight stay. Both these EOTC events were postponed due to the Lockdown in Term 1. We know that the wait has been well worthwhile, as both these experiences offer challenge, fun and lots of new learning. Thank you to the College students and parents who helped.



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REMINDERS

- **Thurs 26 Nov, Year 6 Parent Evening, Cromwell College Auditorium, 5.30-6.30pm**
- **Fri 27 Nov, Year 6 Visit to College—9.30am-12.30pm**
- **Fri 27 Nov, Sports Awards, 2pm in Ako**
- **Wed 2 Dec, Year 6 Aquatics Day**
- **Wed 2 Dec, Hārewa Christmas Show—5.00pm to 5.30pm**
- **Wed 2 & Thurs 3 Dec, Marae Trip, Year 4**
- **Thurs 3 Dec, Year 3 Duathlon, 9.20am**
- **Thurs 3 Dec, Sausage Sizzle**
- **Fri 4 Dec, Teacher Only**

Yesterday we formally welcomed all new Term 4 students and their whānau to school with our mihi whakatau. Sarah



Luke accompanied the manuhiri who were welcomed in by our Kapa Haka Group chanting our school mōteatea. This tradition is a very special part of our school culture which acknowledges our new families and helps to connect them not only with our school, but to other new families as well.



Today our Years 0-2 Annual Athletic Sports were held. The energy levels and excitement were high as our youngest athletes competed in a range of events including running, jumping and throwing. Thanks to the organising team of teachers and also to all the parents who came along to support their children.

IMPORTANT END OF YEAR DATES

- **Friday 4th December TEACHER ONLY DAY**
- Monday 7th December: Highlands “Battle of the Year 6s”.
- Monday 7th December 5:30pm BOT Meeting
- Monday 14 December - End of Year Reports sent home
- Monday 14 December – 6:00pm Year 6 Leavers Function, Presbyterian Church
- Wednesday 16th December Final Day of Term 4 – 1:00pm finish

PARENTS’ FREE GOOGLE WORKSHOP

Well done to the small group of parents who attended this free workshop on Tuesday afternoon. We initially organised this in response to feedback from parents who had experienced IT challenges during Lockdown and Home Learning or others who simply wanted to learn more about the Google Suite. Lara Kirk, our Digital Technology Facilitator, thought this was a great initiative, as she believes that today’s communication between home and school and active involvement in a child’s education requires parents to be digitally connected and savvy. Parents in attendance commented that this was a great opportunity to learn alongside a qualified Google Trainer.

Enviro CoL Exhibition

Tuesday 1 December 1-4pm Ako Senior Learning Hub

Celebrating Lake Dunstan through the eyes of local preschool and school students from our “Cromwell Community of Learners”.

Come along and see what a great asset Lake Dunstan is for our community. Projects, special trips, photos and movies will be on show.

Supporting our local "Guardians of the Lake Group"

CURRICULUM CORNER: END OF YEAR REPORTING PROCESSES

This week testing has continued in classes and teachers have been working very hard compiling end of year reports and assessing students against the appropriate NZC levels by making judgements that are consistent and comparable. In our school this means that teachers working with students from the same year levels get together with students’ work samples and compare their assessment marks. The

second process is called “**OTJ**” – **overall teacher judgement**. An OTJ involves drawing on and applying the evidence gathered up to a particular point in time, in order to make an overall judgement about a student’s progress and achievement. We call this triangulation which means teachers will use at least three different sources of information to support their judgements. For example in reading teachers may use a score from a nationally referenced test such as PAT or STAR Reading Test, a running record or probe reading test completed by the student, a comprehension activity completed in class, information located by a student for a presentation or inquiry and/or a discussion about a book with a student to help make their judgement about where the student is at in terms of NZC expectations. It is a very complex and time consuming process because our teachers want to ensure that they are making well-informed and accurate decisions. This process provides important information about student achievement and progress over the year and information is also used to identify students requiring additional support in 2021 and those students who would benefit from enrichment or extension programmes.

CENTRAL OTAGO PRIMARY SCHOOL TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our Cromwell Primary School competitors had an outstanding day at the triathlon championships held in Cromwell last week. There were some outstanding performances by our athletes with several achieving top three placings. Well done to everyone who qualified for this Central Otago Championships Event – **Individual** George L & **Teams** Caleb E, Georgia S, Pax K, Kalea N, Ali H, Lucia W, Charlie L, Jahziel L, Rocco P, Seth C, Jack M, Koby G, Zoe O, Gaby B, Lily G-J, Leah P, Harper R, Dani A. Special congratulations to the following competitors for



placing in the top three of their races: **George L (2nd Y5 Individual Boys), Caleb E, Georgia S, Pax K (1st Mixed Team Y6), Jahziel L, Rocco P, Charlie L (1st Boys Y6 Team)**. Thanks also to Amber Team Manager, Dave for helping to set up the course and cook the BBQ and Andrew who coordinated the running section of the race and was part of the overall organising team.

SATURDAY MORNING MUSIC IN CENTRAL 2021

Ministry of Education funded music lessons will be available again in 2021. Lessons will be available for Flute, Clarinet, Violin and Cello over a 32 lesson year.

Lessons are largely funded by the Ministry of Education, however parents are asked to contribute towards the other costs this enhanced service provides. Classes are held at school and the students have the opportunity to perform in an orchestra in Term Four at the Annual Central Otago Saturday Morning Music Concert. Please call at the office if you are considering this for your child in 2021.

Hire instruments are available

Violin \$80 for the year.

Flute, Clarinet and Cello \$100 for the year.

Contacts details are as follows:

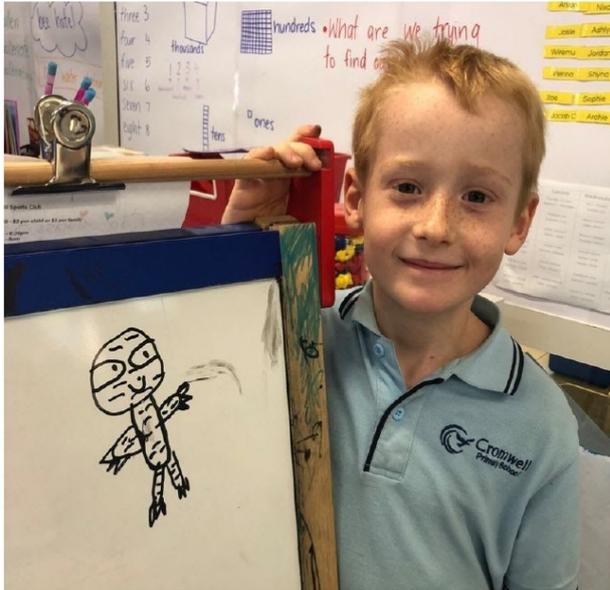
Wendy Brooks at the school office: tel: 445 0264 or email

katem@cromprimary.school.nz **OR**

Johanna Hansen – 022 130 545 or email johannahansen0@gmail.com

Hārewa 1 & 2 Students Teaching Their Peers

Last week Hārewa hub students found out what it is like to be a teacher. These Year 2 classes had a week without any of the normal timetable. The children have swimming lessons every day and had an "outside the box" week planned. The students were given the opportunity to run workshops for their peers. Here are a few of the workshops.



Sloth drawing workshop run by Isaac W



How to play Monopoly with Ashlyn F



Programming Blue-bots with Summer H



Making paper monsters with Hunter T



Drawing diggers on Ipads with Jacob P



Skipping with Josie M

Get Cracking with Walnut Selling!



FOR SALE



Class treat for the class which sells the most walnuts.

Encourage your family and family friends to buy walnuts

- Christmas gifts
- Use in recipes for cooking and baking
- Fresh and locally grown

Donated to school so we can benefit from the profits.

Help make that happen.

\$10 per kilo—money to the school office in an envelope with your name and class number on the outside.

ENVIRO SCHOOL HUI

Six enthusiastic garden club members were given the opportunity to attend the Enviro School Hui held at the Memorial Hall in Cromwell.

After thinking about their favourite area of local fresh water they were given the opportunity to write about it. This is the Cromwell Primary School group effort.



“Precious Water”

I begin in Glenorchy. I have been trapped in an icy glacier for thousands of years and the sun finally let me melt. I travel down past Queenstown watching tourists on the Lady of the Lake admiring my beauty. My coldness and deepness keeps me clean. As I leave Lake Wakatipu I change my fabulous name to the Kawarau River. There I meet my dirty old friends the shotover sewage treatment. As I come down rushing through the Kawarau Gorge, a place that was once mined for gold, I join the Mata-au - The Clutha at Old Cromwell. From there I meet Lake Dunstan. I slow to a gentle flow after being a rushing river. I come to a rest at the Clyde Dam and as the gates open I continue my journey to the next resting spot in Roxburgh Dam before I head to the sea past Balclutha.



Written by Jack, Meike, Henry, Grace and Sophia

The Garden Hui was at the Memorial Hall. Seven schools were there: Miller's Flat School, Clyde School, Poolburn School, St Gerards School, Shotover Primary, Glenorchy Primary School and some more.

We learnt about water and how not to waste it. We were told the difference between saltwater and freshwater. Freshwater is in lakes, human made lakes, ponds and streams (from large rivers to small creeks) canals, (human made lakes and streams) and fresh wetlands. When we were split into two groups one group went down to the Kawarau River and were given a worksheet with things that were made by nature and that were made by humans. Ms Caughey and some of the garden club were at the garden hui, Ms Caughey told all the students a tale about Kōpuwai.



By Sophia Kimpton



Southland Touch Reps

Well done to Neeka P and Ava S (U11 girls), Lily G-J (U12 girls) and Jahziel L (U10/11 boys) who have been playing for Southland Touch Reps this season

ICT TRAINING

Year 3's learning how to be awesome ICT helpers for our 2021 Year 3's when they get their new school Google Accounts.



ICT Facilitator Lara Kirk from UTB working with our 2021 ICT Leaders.



Techie training for Year 3's who will be ready to help their new Year 3 classmates with their logins in 2021 .



SPORTS UNIFORM AMNESTY

Could all students that have a CPS sports shirt at home please return to Mr. Ede ASAP please.

NEW ARRIVALS - WELCOME

We have welcomed Dani G, Chloe M, Jack M, Brodie C & Skyler B to school recently. We hope you enjoy your time with us at Cromwell Primary.

KAHIKATEA PLAYGROUND VALUES AWARDS

Ella G (2) Fin C (2), Harper N (2), Lauren M (2) Eva O (2), Poppy S (2) Meya B, Charlotte W, Jake H, Preston DV, Peyton E (H4) Chloe M (H5), Neeka P, Ara R (K1), Eden K, Izabel W, Peyton B (Khub) and Carter S (K5).

Thank you for making a difference in our playground!



It's a.... BOY!!

Congratulations to Ms Joyce who is expecting a baby boy in April



FINANCES

- School Costs will be billed to your child's account. A statement will be sent out monthly that shows the items billed and payments made.
- Please pay by internet banking (03-1735-0004162-000). Please put name and what it relates to as the reference and/or e-mail Tegan to advise. If you are unable to pay by internet banking, payment can be made by cash or cheque. Please place cash/cheque in a named envelope and specify what the payment is for on the envelope. The envelope can be given to the classroom teacher to come to the office in the purple bag. If dropping the envelope to the office, please put envelope in the post-it slot. **We do not have eftpos.**
- We have limited cash, so please endeavour to pay the exact amount of cash.**
- You can pay regular amounts to cover costs e.g \$5 per week if NE-Y2, \$10 per week if Y3&4, \$15 Y5&6.**

Should you require assistance to meet school costs, please contact the principal or Tegan in the office as

UNIFORM

New Uniform can be purchased from Tanya at Metrografix. Tanya is in the Metrografix office from 9am until 2:45 daily. If uniform is needed outside this time please call and arrange a time that suits.

E-mail: tanya.metrografix@xtra.co.nz, telephone 03 4454533, cell: 027 6213582.

- House T-shirts are available for \$20
- Highlighter Vests can be purchased for \$10 each
- Boys School Socks, lovely quality nice dark navy - available in twin packs \$9.00 per pack (so \$4.50 a pair).
- School hats with the house colours (\$20) - available now.

Second-Hand can be purchased on-line on the "Cromwell Primary School Second-Hand Uniform Buy/Sell Page.

[Second-Hand Uniform Link](#)

SCHOOL LUNCHES...

Heat Ups:

There will be no heat ups until further notice.

Subway Tuesday:

Please **order and pay online.** Visit

www.subwayexpress.co.nz

(you will need to register if you haven't already) and click on the School lunch option.

Choose Cromwell Primary School from the drop down list. Choose your sub and then work down the list to select or deselect cheese, salads etc. On the last page is a box where you can make additional notes (eg..no sauce). The subs ALL come with sauce by default. You will have to do a separate order and payment per child. At this stage you can't order school lunches via the app.

"Kumi's Sushi at Highlands" Fridays:

Vegetarian or Teriyaki Chicken, Tuna & Mayo —\$6 for 6 pieces or \$7 for 8 pieces. Exact money & details in a named envelope. Please use purple bag service.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

LEADING EDGE MENTORS
IN MUSIC & LANGUAGES

Piano & Vocal

DIRECTED BY CHAZ BARCENILLA

STUDENT RECITAL

13 December 2020 | 3pm

Queenstown Performing Arts Centre (QPACT)
Corner Ballarat/Henry Streets

Tel. 021-0852-1712 | LeadingEdgeMentors.com

PERFORMERS

Dielle Ann Baramida
April Haze
Clara Obermoser
Jasmin Obermoser
Stella Potter
Harry Ramsay
Bella Thomlinson
Mischa Thomlinson
Myffy Wood

Some work well with families, includes parents every step of the way and is very patient with young students, helping them to learn in an open and encouraging environment.

— Aquatica Dance Studio
John Sago, California

Messy Christmas

Donations / Koha welcome

29 November 2020
5 - 7 pm

Cromwell Presbyterian Church

PLEASE BOOK AT
www.cromchurch.co.nz
(before 25 Nov 2020)

INCLUDES a meal

TARRAS SCHOOL PRESENTS

Hey Ewe!

A TRADITIONAL NATIVITY
SEEN THROUGH THE EYES
OF A SHEEP

THURSDAY 10TH DECEMBER

WHANAU PERFORMANCE AT 1PM

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE AT 7PM
ENTRY BY KOHA

TARRAS COMMUNITY HALL

Boat or aerial based spraying of aquatic weed in Lake Dunstan using the herbicide diquat is planned to commence **Monday 30th November 2020** and may continue through to **Friday 18th December 2020**. The following sites may be targeted for treatment:

- Champagne Gully Ramp & Ski Lane
- Pisa Moatings
- Bendigo Boat Ramp & Approaches
- Lowburn Inlet
- Weatherall Creek & Burton Creek
- Old Cromwell Town & Boat Ramps
- Cromwell Swimming Beach
- Bannockburn Inlet
- McNulty's Inlet
- Northburn Ski Lane
- Annan Inlet
- Dairy Creek
- Lowburn Boat Harbour
- Jacksons

This work is dependent on suitable weed, water and weather conditions and may be subject to delays. Advertisements have been placed in the Otago Daily Times to notify the public of this operation. We recommend a 24 hour stand-down on swimming, fishing or taking water for irrigation or domestic supply once the spraying is complete. We'll look to update you on progress later this week. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us on 0800 638 943. Or check out the LINZ website.

**NAU MAI
HAERE MAI**

**Manuherikia Kapa haka
rōpū**

A fun and interactive session for preschoolers and their whānau / caregivers, celebrating Te Reo Māori with waiata and karikani.

We are back! - Kua hoki ki muri!

When: Fortnightly in Term 4
19th October, 2nd November, 16th November, 30th November, 14th December.

10.30am - 11.30am

Where: 'Church Lounge' next to Alexandra Community House, 12 Centennial Avenue.

Questions: Central Otago REAP 03 448 6115 or pm via or facebook page.

**Nau mai, haere mai whānau,
All welcome!**

Join our Facebook page - Manuherikia Kapa haka rōpū

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A CROMWELL COMMUNITY PROJECT

STARRING
THOMAS TRAIN
MRS CLAUS
SANTA
AND MORE!
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CENTRAL
OTAGO MODEL
TRAINS AND
LIONS CHARITY
TREES

TICKETS
\$15 PER FAMILY
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A PHOTO
WITH SANTA
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PRESENTS
**SANTA'S
MOVIELAND**

COME ALONG TO 'SANTA LAND' AND ENJOY THE FESTIVE FAMILY CELEBRATION OF THE SEASON!

DATES

THUR 10 DEC	4.30 - 8PM	SAT 12 DEC	9 - 3.30PM + 4.30 - 8PM
FRI 11 DEC	4.30 - 8PM	SUN 13 DEC	1 - 5PM

VENUE: CROMWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HALL, 10 ELSPETH ST.

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central

new classes...

- Speech and Drama
- Public Speaking and Communication
- English for Speakers of Other Languages
- Theatre in Action
- Speech NZ examinations

Chatterbox Central is new to Central Otago, and will be launching exciting new classes in February 2021. Heather offers speech and drama lessons to build self-esteem, communication skills and creativity in a supportive environment.

Each term's lessons will develop performance through role play and improvisation, articulation and vocal skills, public speaking, presentation of poetry and reading aloud.

enrol today!
Heather is now taking bookings for February 2021 with limited spaces available... Enrol your child(ren) today!

for more information...

Contact Heather Harries
phone 027 240 0499
or email heatherchatterbox@gmail.com

Speech Communication Association

CENTRAL OTAGO REAP EDUCATION
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Seasons for Growth
Seasons for Growth Parent Program:
Supporting your child following separation and divorce

Parent Invitation

Central Otago REAP is delighted to be offering a new program for parents this term – the **Seasons for Growth** Parent Program: Supporting your child following separation or divorce.

Central Otago REAP offers the highly successful **Seasons for Growth** program for children and young people. For many years, parents whose children have participated in the **Seasons for Growth** Young People's Program have been asking 'is there a program that can help parents, too?'

The **Seasons for Growth** Parent Program has been developed to meet this need. The programme provides an opportunity for you to reflect on the experience of separation and divorce from your child's perspective, and to explore ideas and strategies that might help you support your child/ren through the changes happening in your family.

The **Seasons for Growth** Parent Program: Supporting your child following separation or divorce is a small group program for 6-12 parents. It will be held over 2 x 2 hour sessions and is for parents only.

Dates: Wednesday, 9th and Wednesday 16th of December, 2020
Venue: Room A, Alexandra Community House
Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Cost: No Cost.

For more information or to express your interest taking part in the **Seasons for Growth** Parent Program, please contact Mandy Greer by telephoning Central Otago REAP 448 6115 or 021 544 894 or by email at mandy@coreap.org.nz.

Visit our website to enrol in this programme www.coreap.org.nz/courses

CROMWELL YOUTH TRUST

PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION EVENING

Tuesday 8th December, 6pm-7pm

Cromwell Youth Trust invites parents / caregivers to a free information session.

LOCATION:
5A Murray Terrace (opposite PaperPlus)

the HANGOUT

CHRISTMAS CAROLS IN THE PARK

20 DEC. 5 - 7 PM
ALPHA STREET PARK

Let's celebrate together with a BYO picnic and sing-along to Christmas carols and more!

(We hear someone special is coming to visit...)

ENTRY: Non-perishable food donation for the Cromwell Food Bank.

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CENTRAL OTAGO

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TERM PLANNER - TERM 4

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
1	12 October	13	14	15	16	17/18 Oct
12 October - 16 October	Term 4 Commences			Junior Cross Country - Year 0-3	Pink Shirt Day	
2	19	20	21	22	23	24/25 Oct
19 October - 23 October				Sausage Sizzle	Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED	
3	26	27	28	29	30	31 Oct/1 Nov
26 October - 30 October	LABOUR DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED		School Triathlon - Year 4-6		H1 & H2 Clip'n'Climb Whole School Assembly 11:30-12:30pm SOK's Halloween Disco	
4	2	3	4	5	6	7/8 Nov
2 November - 6 November	Soks Meeting	Ako Cafe	Dunstan Zone Triathlon - Year 5-6	Sausage Sizzle		
5	9	10	11	12	13	14/15 Nov
9 November - 13 November	BoT Meeting 6:30pm	Combined BoT & ECE Management Kahui Ako Annual Meeting, 7pm	Remembrance Day Service, Cromwell Cenotaph - 11am Year 6 Bungy Trip	H3, H4, H5 & H6 Wastebusters Trip, 9.00am-12.30pm		
6	16	17	18	19	20	21/22 Nov
16 November - 20 November	Hārewa Swimming	Hārewa Swimming	CO Triathlon, Cromwell, Year 5-6 Hārewa Swimming	Sausage Sizzle Hārewa Swimming	Hārewa Swimming	
7	23	24	25	26	27	28/29 Nov
23 November - 27 November	K Team EOTC Kayaking	K Team EOTC Kayaking Parent Google Workshop - 3-5pm	Whakatau 10.40am	Year 6 Parent Evening, Cromwell College Auditorium, 5.30-6.30pm	Year 6 Visit to College - 9.30am-12.30pm Sports Awards, 2pm in Ako	
8	30	1 December	2	3	4	5/6 Dec
30 November - 4 December			Year 6 Aquatics Day Hārewa Christmas Show - 5.00-5.30pm Y4 Marae Trip	Y4 Marae Trip Year 3 Duathlon, 9.20am Sausage Sizzle	Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED	
9	7	8	9	10	11	12/13 Dec
7 December - 11 December	SoKs Meeting BoT Meeting Highlands "Battle of the Year 6's"	Year 6 Open Day at The Hangout Youth Centre K Team EOTC Activity - Bannockburn Walking Track		Junior Athletics - Year 0-2 - morning	PP Date Junior Athletics	
10	14	15	16	17	18	19/20 Dec
14 December - 18 December	Reports Home Y6 Leavers Function Presbyterian Church Hall, 6pm Kārearea Team Dance Performance		Last Day Term 4 - 1pm finish			