

Special Edition Newsletter

DEAR PARENTS AND FRIENDS

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

Cromwell Primary School Students continue to perform well in relation to New Zealand Curriculum expectations in Reading and Mathematics based on end of 2019 student achievement data. Read more inside.....

Roll growth means more staff. Meet the Cromwell Primary School Team for 2020 including some new faces. Check out their profiles inside.....

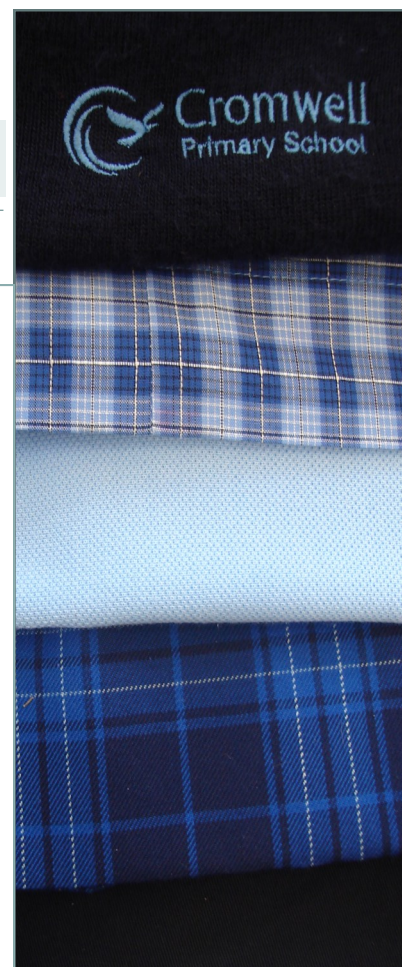
“Making a difference as confident, connected, actively involved life-long learners”. Our school mission statement is evident in our action packed start to the year that has included a great turn out by parents to our “Meet the Teacher Evening” and our mihi whakatau welcome. By working in partnership we can make a difference.

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REMINDERS

- **Fri 21 Feb, Full School Assembly at 11:40am. College Auditorium**
- **Fri 28 Feb, Senior Athletics, Years 3-6**
- **Mon 2 Mar, SOKs AGM 7pm in staffroom**
- **Mon 9 to Fri 12 Mar, Year 5 Camp Columba.**
- **Mon 16 to Fri 19 Mar, Year 6 Camp, Dunedin**



Meet the Team

Principal & Team Leaders



Wendy Brooks
Principal

I have enjoyed an extensive career in education and am still as passionate about working with children and teachers as I was when I first started teaching. My teaching career has included teaching students from Years 2-10. I have taught in a range of schools - contributing primary, full primary, private school, Intermediate and High School which has given me a great insight into teaching and learning across the sector. My school leadership began as the Assistant Principal of Balmacewen Intermediate in Dunedin for 7 years, followed by my first principalship at North Taieri Full Primary School. I have been Principal of Cromwell Primary School since 2004 and have loved working with this school community. I completed a Master of Education (Leadership) in 2006 and was

awarded the Otago Primary Principals' Prestigious Scholarship in 2010 that enabled me to travel to Australia to deepen my understanding of Restorative Practice in schools. I gained my Level 4 Certificate in Te Reo Maori in 2017 after completing two years of study. At the end of 2017 I was appointed as the Lead Principal of the Cromwell Community of Learning (CoL) and again in 2020 I will be working two days a week on community-wide education initiatives and challenges, alongside key people from our CoL. I remain fully committed to providing CPS children with the best possible learning opportunities and continuing my own learning alongside a very professional teaching team. My husband John and I love sport and can often be seen on the sideline during the winter sports season. I have two grown up children, Julie lives in Dunedin and is a senior accountant for Findex. My son Mark and his American partner Becki were married in Cromwell last November and currently live in Melbourne where Mark is Deputy Superintendent of the Riversdale Golf Club.



Danella Smallridge
Co-Team Leader Hārewa
Teacher Hārewa 2

I have been teaching at Cromwell Primary for 19 years. I trained to be a teacher as a mother of two young children. Prior to teaching I worked in Human Resource Management, Banking, Meat Processing and as a group leader at Roslyn Playcentre.

I try to ensure my students have lots of opportunities to explore, play and be creative. I am passionate about giving all students a successful start in reading, writing and maths, and I have a special interest in supporting students with learning differences such as dyslexia.

I am the Head of the Junior School and I teach Year 2 in the junior learning hub. I also lead Inquiry Learning and Staff Appraisal and Development.

I have two adult children, a computer crazy husband and two fur children. My first grandson will be 2 in March and I try to spend as much time with him as I can. Thankfully he lives in Cromwell.



Olivia Buckner
Co-Team Leader Harewa
Harewa 1

I am new to Cromwell Primary School this year, and so far have loved every minute of it. Prior to this, I was teaching at Arrowtown School for 5 years and Andersons Bay School before that. I went on study leave in 2017 and completed my PostGraduate studies with a focus on educational leadership and the transitions which occur during education. I became a fully qualified AustSwim infant and children's swim teacher during this year also.

I am the Year 1 and 2 Team Leader and I am teaching in Harewa 1. I love working collaboratively and am excited to be working with Danella Smallridge and Cath McLellan in the Hub. I have a passion for literacy and phonics and aim to bring this into my role as Literacy Lead for 2020.

My fiancé, Justin, and I have lived in Cromwell since 2018 and love the lifestyle that comes with living in Central Otago. In summer we can be found hiking and in winter we spend our weekends up the mountain.



Rachel Peters
Team Leader Karerea
Karerea 1

This is my first year teaching at Cromwell Primary School and I am very excited to be here. I have more than 11 years experience teaching in New Zealand and England. I trained to be a teacher when I was in my late twenties, after deciding corporate life wasn't for me. Prior to teaching I worked in Marketing for Procter and Gamble, in Geneva, Switzerland.

I have just returned from maternity leave and fulltime to the classroom, after 2 years as principal in Mossburn, Southland. I have also taught in Invercargill and Christchurch.

In the classroom, I try to ensure my students enjoy being at school. We work hard and I try and create lots of opportunities to explore their passions and be creative.

I am passionate about ensuring all children get the opportunity to make the best possible progress in my class. I love teaching Science, Maths and Writing.

I am the Kārearea Team Leader and I teach in the K1 classroom. I also lead Assessment in the school alongside Mrs Haig.

I have a 15 month-old boy and 3 wonderful step sons so my life is busy with every sport under the sun. I also coach cricket on a Saturday morning during the summer and am looking forward to the school ski trips.



Louise Haig
Co-Team Leader Ako
Ako 2

I have been a teacher at Cromwell Primary for the past 14 years, although during this period I had some time off to start my family. Prior to that I taught at Clifton Primary in Invercargill, where I was lucky enough to do my Reading Recovery training. I have also been fortunate enough to do some post-graduate study in maths education and have spent the five years in a Maths Support Teacher (MST) role. This year I am co-team leader in Ako with our Year 5 and 6 students, and very much looking forward to a year full of new and exciting challenges and experiences. I am passionate about children enjoying their learning and having every opportunity to be successful. I firmly believe in children being confident in their abilities and using what they already know to work out what they don't. Outside of school I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, coaching cricket, and going for walks/bike rides with my boys.



Jayne Fitzgerald
Co-Team Leader Ako
Ako 1

I have taught in a range of schools in various roles from classroom teacher, deputy principal and acting principal. I am currently sharing the team leader role in Ako with Louise Haig. I am thoroughly enjoying working collaboratively with a great team in Ako who are committed to providing the children in our care with a diverse and innovative curriculum. Four years ago I completed a Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Practice (Digital and Collaborative Learning). Last year I was awarded a NZ teachers Study award which enabled me to complete a Masters of Education (Mathematics) Degree. When I left Ireland I travelled extensively working in a variety of jobs over a period of ten years. I met my Kiwi husband Dave in Israel and came to live in Dunedin where we both trained to be teachers. Together we have two children, Ben who lives in Dunedin and Zoe who is currently living in Japan.

Ako



Andrew Ede
Ako 1

I have been teaching for 16 years, six of these at Cromwell Primary School. This year I'm teaching a Y5-6 class in Ako 1. I have responsibilities within the school as Lead Teacher in Health/PE and EOTC. I have a new role with-in the school this year as Lead Teacher/Mentor School Health & Wellbeing. I'm looking forward to working alongside some students and hopefully making a difference to their learning. I am the staff representative on the schools BOT and NZEI staff representative.

I enjoy building relationships with both students and Whanau, making connections that help in the classroom as I believe students learning is a partnership between home and school. I like to make my learning fun. I challenge my class to express themselves and I enjoy watching students' confi-

dence grow throughout the year.

I am passionate about Health and Physical Education and the benefits these subjects give to the 'well being' of students at CPS.

Outside of school you will usually find me out coaching on one of the many sports fields around Cromwell.



Sarah Luke
Ako 2

I am brand new to CPS this year and after teaching in a small school I am really excited to be joining the CPS family. I am especially enjoying my wonderful AKO team.

I have well and truly been bitten by the travel bug and have lived and taught in England, Scotland, Russia and Ghana. I returned to NZ at the end of 2013 and had my daughter, Gracie, in Alexandra.

We lived with my parents who were running Carrick Lodge Motel before I returned to Dunedin where I've spent the last 4 years at Portobello School on the beautiful Otago Peninsula. I taught a class of Year 5-8 students and am really excited to be teaching in Ako this year. Senior students are my favourite!

I love sport, art and music. It's been a while but I'm hoping to brush off my tennis racket and netball shoes! In the weekends I am currently often found on Lake Wanaka soaking in the sun and water. I'm also looking forward to winter and can't wait to hit the mountains!

Kārearea



Claire Lincoln
Kārearea 2

I was fortunate enough to join the CPS teaching team in 2003. It's a dynamic, respectful, supportive and innovative school committed to the highest educational outcomes for children - and that's why I'm still here! The challenge of working with and supporting students in their learning never gets old! I am passionate about science, conservation and environmental education, visual and performing arts and tikanga maori.

I love being involved with children in big hands-on projects involving authentic problem-solving, leadership, messy cooperation and creativity - 'learning adventures' by any other name!

Family, animals, children, walking and travelling - are things that keep me busy outside of school. So much to love about Central Otago!!



Shona Hamilton
Kārearea 3 (K-Hub)

This is my second year living in Cromwell and I can honestly say 'life is good' in the South! Otago continues to offer the magnificent outdoor lifestyle I always hoped it would. My partner Dave and I enjoy weekend mountain climbs and we're looking forward to cross country skiing this winter.

I have been teaching for over 15 years and have taught every year level at primary, which I believe gives me a holistic picture of how a student learns. After a great year in Ako last year, I have now moved to the Kārearea Team. Along with Belinda Thomlinson, we are responsible for the K Hub classroom. This year sees some exciting challenges for me, taking on the Special Education Needs Coordinator role. I have also been

successful in gaining the role of Across School Leader for our Community of Learning. I am released for 2 days a week to fulfill this role so I am now sharing my classroom responsibilities with Karen Huffadine.

AKO represents a teaching and learning relationship where the teacher is also learning from the student. Ako is grounded in the principle of reciprocity and also recognizes that the learner and whānau cannot be separated. Knowledge is shared amongst the teacher and the learner.

Kārearea is the name of our NZ native falcon, one of our most spectacular birds. Kārearea features in our school logo and our school whakatauki and refers to little birds taking flight (our children taking off as learners).

Hārewa means to take off. In Hārewa, we are taking off with our learning. Hārewa also links to our school whakatauki "Iti kārearea kahikatea ka taea" which means the smallest chick can fly to the top of the tallest tree. In learning this is about our young children being able to reach their goals with hard work and the right attitude.



Belinda Thomlinson
Kārearea 4 (K-Hub)

After 19 years teaching I can honestly say I still love teaching as much today as the day I graduated, if not more! I feel very privileged to be a part of an amazing and inspiring teaching team. This year I am lucky enough to be a part of The Kārearea Hub Team teaching Year 3 and 4 students in the Junction Suite with Shona Hamilton and Karen Huffadine.

I love being creative and I'm passionate about the visual arts and dance. I love opportunities to learn from the children and families/whanau which provides such rich learning experiences and knowledge.

I have been back in New Zealand for 16 years after returning from England where I taught and travelled around the Mediterranean.

I am married to Rob and we have 3 gorgeous children Bella(12), Mischa(9) and Hunter(6). I feel so lucky to bring my children up in such an amazing place as Central Otago.



Barbara Caughey
Kārearea 5

After teaching in Southland for the past 25 years it was time to come and live in sunny Central Otago and I am loving it here. I have held various roles in a number of different Primary and Intermediate schools throughout Invercargill and Southland and still love teaching as there is never a dull moment and I love to support all students in their learning journey.

I am thoroughly enjoying working with such a dedicated and passionate staff at Cromwell Primary.. I am particularly enjoying the EOTC aspect of CPS and am excited to be doing biking, walking and kayaking with the Karearea Team. Keeping fit and healthy and being active in the outdoors is key to our wellbeing- it helps keep me feeling young. Camping and tramping in the outdoors has always been a highlight of our family holidays

I have three children who have recently flown the nest and are travelling, studying and working. My husband has recently given up his career as a Saw Doctor to learn how to brew beer in Cromwell.

I have many interests outside of school but travelling and exploring the many beautiful parts of the world and experiencing the different cultures is what really excites me just now. You may see me walking my two dogs through the Greenways which I am loving!

Hārewa



Katharine Grigor
Hārewa 3

I have been teaching now for 16 years. I have taught in England, Canada and here in NZ. Most recently I have been working in Auckland where I was the Y0/1 team leader at Remuera Primary School. I also have some Early Childhood experience and have a real passion for the Junior school.

I recently moved back to Central Otago after nearly 20 years away. My parents live just outside Luggate in the Queensberry area and I grew up there and in Dunedin so it has been a real homecoming for me.

My husband Paul and I have two wonderful boys – Angus (soon to be 5) and Owen (2 years old). Most weekends are spent out and about with the boys going on adventures, biking, swimming and enjoying our new surroundings.

The move south has been a really positive change for my family and I am very excited to be part of the Cromwell Primary School family!



Sabrina Waite
Hārewa 4

I was born and raised in Auckland and moved down to little old Cromwell 4 years ago. I followed my husband down here for his job and have never looked back since. I absolutely love life in Central Otago and couldn't think of any place I'd rather be.

I have been a teacher for 8 years, previously teaching at Hawea Flat, and Dawson Primary before that. I love how every day brings something new. New challenges, new friendships, new experiences and a whole lot of fun. You'll find me walking my fur child Luna along the lake, up a mountain on a snowboard, at the local yoga studio or on a plane travelling somewhere different and exciting.



Cheryl Stuart
Hārewa 5

I have been teaching for 23 years this year and can honestly say I still love it and get a thrill when my wee New Entrants take off on their reading and writing journeys. I am a trained reading recovery teacher and love the challenge of getting children to read and write with success.

I have taught in Whangarei (My home town), Melbourne and London where I was the Special Needs Co-ordinator and teacher. I have travelled extensively while based in London for 3 years. I have taught at CPS in a variety of roles since 2008.

I am the New Entrant Transition Leader and enjoy liaising with the Early Childhood Centres and welcoming new families to our school.

I am married to Kirk and our weekends are busy with supporting our children's sport, fishing and boating. I am a proud Mum to Flynn (soon to be a teenager) and Ava (8).



Hayley Joyce
Hārewa 6

This is my fourth year teaching here at Cromwell Primary School and I absolutely love it. I'm originally from Dunedin but I really love living in Central Otago and enjoy all it has to offer. Before Cromwell Primary, I was working in my hometown of Dunedin. While living in South Korea for three years, I taught kindergarten in an international school in Seoul. From here, I moved to London to travel and work as a nanny. I really enjoyed being able to travel the world and experience other cultures and cuisines.

I am teaching a new entrant class in Hārewa 6 this year. I am passionate about helping children build independence, and take ownership over their own learning. I aim to provide children with choice in the classroom, and to foster a growth mindset that will enable them to persevere and challenge themselves in their learning. I have particular interests in literacy, science, and the environment, as well as coaching the Year 1-2 Netball team.

You will often find me in the nearest coffee shop!

Part-time Teachers



Julie McGregor

I am an experienced teacher who has taught in all Year levels from New Entrants to Year 8 in a wide range of schools (from country to city) for many years. I have also taught overseas. As well as my teaching qualifications I have a B.Ed degree and I am Reading Recovery trained.

I teach on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, taking on the role of Learning Support Teacher. I will be teaching groups of children for Literacy Bridge (Quick Sixty Reading Programme) and for MST (maths support). I release some classroom teachers in the afternoons.

I am passionate about all aspects of teaching and children's learning, especially literacy, numeracy and science.

I have been involved in lots of sports and currently love to swim, play table tennis, social golf, go boating, snow ski-ing, ride my bike and go for walks with our dogs. I belong to a book club and garden club. My husband and I have a large family and we love to spend time with them. We really enjoy travelling and our busy life.



Cath McLellan

I began my teaching career in 1991 in Bell Block, New Plymouth. I have taught in the U.K. and the U.A.E. I have been lucky enough to be in a team teaching role for the past seven years at C.P.S. This year I am teaching in a year 2 class, alongside Danella Smallridge and Olivia Buckner in the Harewa Hub. I enjoy working with this age group and catering for their various learning styles. It is amazing to watch the progress at this stage of their learning. Literacy is my absolute passion, particularly writing and the implementation of oral language.

I enjoy, particularly at this time of year, the little heads popping in from last year and sometimes years previous, to touch base and simply just have a conversation. We are very lucky in this way at C.P.S. In the weekends, I spend as much time as I can with family and friends... it seems before we know it they will have moved on to their next adventure. Sport, water activities and cycling keep us busy and connected.



Karen Huffadine

I've taken a step back this year and now part time teaching. However I am still inspired and motivated to create the best possible relationships with and learning environment for the students.

I am passionate about the difference visible learning can have on student learning and mindsets. I love the creative challenge of helping students make connections with their learning.

I will be releasing Shona Hamilton in the Kārearea Hub.

On a personal level, I enjoy attempting to keep reasonably fit and enjoying our hills and environment.



Nicole Fraser

This is my eighth year teaching and I haven't had a day yet where I don't want to come to school. This is my second year teaching at Cromwell Primary. I am very fortunate that I am a part of the CPS team.

I love using my imagination to think outside of the square, to hook the children into learning. I love seeing them interested and excited about their learning and want to take their learning further. My classroom programme reflects the culture and values of those within it and I strive to make students' personal experiences integral to their learning outcomes.

I have a particular interest in mathematics, visual arts and physical education and enjoy coaching sport. Outside of school I can also be found playing sport, swimming down at the lake or spending time with my family and friends.



Christina Crossan

I started working part time at Cromwell Primary last year, alongside Andrew Ede in the junior area. My husband and I moved to Cromwell in 2016 with our three children Isabella (6) Jack (5) and George. I began my teaching career in South Otago back in 2001 before travelling overseas in 2005, teaching in London for the following three years. I met my husband while travelling in Germany and we moved to Switzerland where we lived for three years before moving home to New Zealand in 2011. We enjoy many activities as a family including hiking, and water sports, so the move to Central Otago has been very positive, making the most of having the lakes and mountains close by.



Erin Hall

Hi, I have been a primary school teacher for thirty five years, in a variety of roles, while raising four lovely daughters. My husband and I owned a kiwifruit orchard in the Bay of Plenty and after selling it decided to semi-retire and relocate to Central. We are loving it! We enjoy sharing the cycling, tramping, wining, and dining with our friends and family.

I work with Ako students during their teachers' 2 non contact days each term, and enjoy day to day relieving.

After a career of sports coaching, supporting families in crisis and encouraging students to strive for their goals, I am able to solely focus on students wellbeing and self-confidence. I enjoy a quiet conversation with each child, while supporting their learning. I really appreciate the opportunities that Cromwell Primary School offers me.



Jen Chamberlain

I have been a teacher all my life, starting with primary training in Auckland and I then trained in teaching English as a foreign language. It was fun teaching adult lawyers from Saudi Arabia and many other countries. When I returned to NZ I set up my own language school which I ran for almost 20 years. After that I returned to Christchurch where I was born and did my SPELD training. Then I worked for 8 years at Hillview Christian School in Christchurch establishing their junior and senior site learning needs centres. Finally I made a huge lifestyle decision to move South so here I am in Cromwell. I cover Management Release in Ako and Karearea. Every Wednesday I teach the high level thinking children at One Day School in Alexandra. My life is varied and rich because I love teaching and I also volunteer in the community at Arthurs Cinema, Cromwell Community Patrol and St Andrews Anglican Church. I am a licensed minister and love taking the church service at Ripponburn Rest Home each week plus helping with pastoral care of anyone who comes across my path. Thank you for having me in your school community!

'You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose'

Dr Seuss

Teacher Aides



Sue Collins (and Afterschool Care)

I have been at Cromwell Primary School since 2002 when I began by supporting a child with Autism. This led to picking up a few hours working with other children with special needs and gradually I became full time in class as a support person which I really enjoy. Three years ago I was given the opportunity to take on Afterschool Care which in that time, has grown rapidly. I really enjoy getting to know those children in a more informal and relaxed setting.

I am married to Bruce and we have three sons. Tim, the oldest, is married to Charlotte and they now have their own wee son Harrison(3) and a little girl, Bronte(1). They live in New York so I am a Skype Granny. Simon is in Queenstown and is enjoying his work as a fishing guide. Jared the youngest lives in Dunedin where he is a heating and ventilation technician.

In my spare time I enjoy walking, sewing and keeping in touch with family and friends. I have loved being part of the CPS team because I have been given so many opportunities. Everyone is very supportive, caring and grateful for the help I can give.



Kate McFadgen

I started off my career at Cromwell Primary as a parent helper when my step-daughter and two girls started primary school. I spent a year in class training for my Teacher Aide certificate and have been a Teacher Aide for approximately ten years, mainly in the junior block.

I live in Tarras with my husband and two teenage girls although one is about to move to Christchurch. We have a small farm with chickens, turkeys, ducks and quails. We also have sheep, dogs, cats and too many wild rabbits! In my "spare time" I enjoy craft activities and making jewellery.

I love being a part of the Cromwell Primary team, everyone is so supportive and the atmosphere is always warm and welcoming. The students make me laugh everyday with their strange antics and funny stories!



Rachel Anderson

I have been living in Cromwell for 6 years now after being a southlander all my life. I have 3 children. Before I became a mum I was a nanny and have always enjoyed working with young children, especially anything creative. I started working as a teacher aide nearly 3 years ago at CPS, based in the junior classes. It is the perfect job for me, every day is different and it's great to be part of such a fun and supportive team of teachers.

In my spare time I enjoy painting, having fun times with my kids, and exploring the scenery on my 3 wheeled road bike.



Amelia Mulligan

After taking a number of years to travel, I decided to return to my home town where I started at Cromwell Primary School in 2017. This year I am working alongside the team in Ako in the wonderful environment they has created in Karearea Two. When I am not busy working at Cromwell Primary, I am completing a Bachelor's Degree in Education and working towards a Music Teaching Diploma. My love of music began at a young age when I started learning the piano. Since the age of six, there has not been a day where I

haven't loved playing. I knew from a very young age that I wanted to teach and feel very grateful for the opportunity to absorb as much knowledge as I can from the wonderful teachers at Cromwell Primary School before I become a qualified teacher myself.



Emma Whitworth

Hi, my name is Emma Whitworth. My husband Ben and I moved to Cromwell in 2011. We have two boys, Zach (6) and Josh (4). I have a passion for sport and children.

I studied Education Support I'm 2019 and am now a qualified Teacher Aide working at CPS this year.



Emma Everett

Hi, I'm Emma Everett, Mum of 7 year old twins Ethan and Milly. My husband and I are new comers to Cromwell, moved to this lovely part of New Zealand June last year from Auckland and loving it!

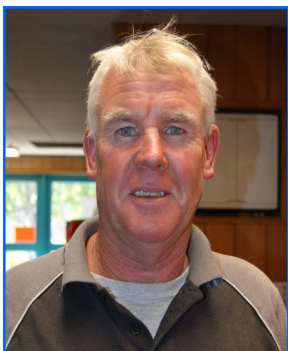
Previous to being a teacher aide here at Cromwell Primary I was a Teacher Aide at Marlborough Primary School North Shore , Auckland.



Linda Bell

My involvement with Cromwell Primary stems back over 18 years to 2002 when the first of my three children started school. Over those years I became a very proactive parent within the school joining the SOK's committee and always being available for supporting roles within the school environment. In 2018 I instigated a voluntary reading programme with my dog Gus which proved very popular with the children leading on to a more permanent position of Teacher Aide in 2019. I am fortunate now to be able to give back to Cromwell Primary School who I credit for the academic success of my kids having such a solid and well rounded foundation in their primary education has now lead them to studies at a tertiary level in architecture, speech pathology and law.

Caretaker



Dave Ellis

I love fishing, my cars and I love working here at the school. My family is number one.

I have farmed for 25 odd years and been in Cromwell for just over 4.

Making a difference is my motto for the work I do at Cromwell Primary School and I believe it's all about the kids. So I do whatever I can to make things better for them.

Sometimes I feel like I'm a magician because some of the things I'm asked to fix require a bit of magic. No, is not in my vocabulary. Yes is my middle name.

(Dave's humble statement has been "edited" by some very grateful office staff)

Office Staff



Amber Nepe

Tena Koutou Katoa
Ko Whangatauatia taku maunga
Ko Karirikura taku awa
Ko One-roa-a-tohe taku moana
Ko Tinana taku waka
Ko Te Rarawa taku iwi
Ko Tamaki Makaurau ahau
Ko Tirau taku kainga inaianei
Ko Nepe taku whanau
Ko Amon taku Tane

Ko Tiaan, Kalea and Timana aku tamariki
Ko Amber taku ingoa
Nga mihi nui ki a koutou

My name is Amber Nepe, my family and I relocated from Auckland to Cromwell September 2015.

I have worked at Cromwell Primary School in the office for over 3 years now. I have 2 children who attend CPS and 1 who now attends Cromwell College.

I have a passion for sports, music and kapa haka and thrive on challenges that are presented to me. I love being part of the community and culture at Cromwell Primary School.



Tegan Wilson

I work in the office at Cromwell Primary and have worked here for five years. My three children all went through Cromwell Primary, and I love the fantastic foundation it has given them, not only in the traditional sense of education, but also with all the other life skills especially around growth mindsets, self-directed learning and collaborative learning. I think the culture at Cromwell Primary is fantastic and the school community is so supportive of the school and staff.

I have done a variety of things prior to Cromwell Primary: studied at Massey worked in Banking, Insurance, Cafes, MAF at Queenstown Airport, and office/

booking work for a number of business. My husband and I have owned a Milk Run in Arrowtown, a Hydroseeding business and now a Bark Pumping Business.

I enjoy walking, biking, reading, music, being with friends and family and being involved with my kids activities.



Robyn Bisset

I have worked part time in the office since May 2019 starting with one and a half days a week before extending those hours for 2020. My husband Paul and I have two teenage daughters, Hannah (15) and Abbey (13). Our girls both started their education at CPS and we will be forever grateful for the fantastic primary education they received here. The amazing culture within the team and wider school community is one of the main reasons I have come back now my girls are well into their high school years!

Most of my spare time is spent chasing two very active girls around all their sports and you will normally find us lakeside in the summer supporting rowing or courtside in the winter supporting netball!

2019 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN RELATION TO NEW ZEALAND CURRICULUM (NZC) EXPECTATIONS

Reading:

- 84% achieving at or above NZC levels.
- 75/294 students exceeding NZC levels & 172/294 achieving at NZC levels.
- No significant gender disparity with 24.1% males and 26.9% females exceeding NZC levels.

Writing:

- 67% achieving at or above NZC level expectations. This is lower than in 2018 with 74.6% achieving the NZC level expectations. There are slightly more students exceeding the NZC levels 6.8% compared to 4.6% in 2018.
- Males continue to be over represented in the cohort of students not achieving NZC level expectations 71 boys (42.3%) compared to 26 girls (20.6%) which is 10% higher for males and 2.3% higher for females than in 2018.

Mathematics:

- 82% achieving at or above NZC levels
- 42/294 students achieving above NZC levels & 194/294 achieving at NZC levels.
- There is no significant gender disparity with 17.2% males and 14.3% females achieving above NZC expectations.

SUMMARY 2019 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT TARGETS

**To maintain or increase our 2018 levels of achievement for all students achieving or exceeding the NZC level expectations for Writing.
(Achievement & Progress Goal)**

- Target: To increase the percentage of students working at or above the NZC expected levels from 74.6% to 80%
- Outcome: -67% not achieving at the expected level. Target not achieved
- Target: To increase the percentage of boys achieving the NZC expected levels for writing from 70.1% to 78%.
- Outcome - 57.7% achieving at the expected level. Target not achieved.
- To increase the number of Maori students exceeding curriculum level expectations from 12.5% to 18%
- Outcome: Target not achieved - 3.4%. Target not achieved.

To maintain or increase our 2018 levels of achievement for all students

achieving or exceeding the standards for Mathematics.

- Target: To increase the percentage of student achieving at or above NZC expectations from 85.5% to 90%
- Outcome: 82% Target not achieved.
- Target : To decrease the percentage of females not achieving the standards from 17.4% to 10%

CROMWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL ANNUAL GOALS 2020

- 1.To maintain or increase our 2019 levels of achievement for all students achieving or exceeding the NZC level expectations for Writing. (Achievement & Progress Goal)
- 2.To maintain or increase our 2019 levels of achievement for all students achieving or exceeding the NZC level expectations for Mathematics. (Achievement & Progress Goal)
- 3.Assessment/Reporting – to engage and inform whanau about their child's progress and achievement through real time reporting. (*Process Goal*).
- 4.Digital Technologies Curriculum– to show increasing integration and leverage of technology across the curriculum, especially in writing and supporting students with specific learning needs. (Process Goal)
- 5.Community of Learning: to implement the agreed action plan for Across Kahui Ako Lead Teachers linked to our endorsed achievement challenges. (Process Goal).
- 6.Property – Continue to progress the construction and redevelopment of teaching spaces - Modern Learning Environments - Old Ako Modernisation Project, toilets upgrade in Junior Block & playground developments linked to the School Master Development Plan. (Process Goal).

2020 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT TARGETS

Writing

- To increase the percentage of students working at or above the expected NZ curriculum levels from 67% to 72%
- To increase the percentage of boys achieving at the expected curriculum levels for writing from 57.7% to 65% through use of a multi-dimensional approach to increasing phonological awareness and leveraging digital.

Mathematics

- Maintain the 82% level of students working at or above the NZC Level expectations in Maths linked to our involvement in the Re-Form (DMIC) Maths Project this year.
- To increase the percentage of Maori, Pasifika and other diverse learners working at or above the expected curriculum levels through use of culturally responsive pedagogies associated with DMIC.

MIHI WHAKATAU WELCOME

Recently we welcomed new staff and students to our school at our Term 1 whakatau. It was lovely to have whānau join us for this special occasion. Mrs Thomlinson spoke on behalf of the manuhiri and our senior Kapa Haka Group performed their first haka for 2020.



HOME AND SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

How you can strengthen your partnership with school?

- Commit to attending opportunities to engage with the school. Every year is different even if you child has the same teacher or you have had other children go through the school. Your child does value your interest in what is happening for them at school.
- Attend Meet the Teacher & Curriculum Information Evenings, visit the school with your child, attend Goal Setting Meetings and Student Led Conferences with your child, join the SOKs Group (Support our Kids), check your emails and read the school newsletter, get to know the teacher and the principal, come along to a monthly Board of Trustees Meeting, read all school communications, volunteer your time and talents.
- Goal Setting Meetings will be held later in Term 1 when individual student learning goals have become more evident and when teachers know more about their students. Information will be sent home about this nearer the time, once dates have been set.
- The BoT Charter (Strategic Plan) 2017-2019 has been reviewed and after our community consultation process in Term 4 2019, a new Strategic Plan is currently being developed, based on the feedback we received. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this process as it has helped to set direction for the school for the next three years (2020-2023). We encourage you to continue to be an active partner in your child's education and to provide feedback at any stage of the school year, as we do value parent voice.
- By reading our "Special Edition Newsletter you have made a great start towards making a commitment to the home/school partnership that we know makes a significant difference to student progress and achievement and your child's general success at school.

SOK's AGM

Monday 2 March 7pm in Staffroom

All welcome

Apologies to soks@cromprimary.school.nz

'Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.'

Helen Keller



Winton Primary & District High School 150th Jubilee

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Cromwell Junior Football Player Registration 2020

Welcome to the 2020 Cromwell Junior Football Club season. The games get underway on the 15th March so we are keen to get registrations and trainings underway as soon as possible. This year we are doing our registrations via google forms as the previous system has caused many issues for both parents and our committee! We hope you find this a much smoother registration system.

The season kicks off on the 15th March and finishes up on the 28th June (back up day on the 5th July).

We are keen to get training happening earlier this year so once we get registrations underway you will receive information about when and where training will be for the different age groups.

There are a few changes this year to the age groups and team sizes and we will keep you informed about what these are and what they mean for our club as we progress. The first step is to get registrations in so we know how many kids we have in the different age groups and then we can make more informed decisions from there.

Registrations close on the 23rd February.



2020 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

All new Under 5 to Secondary School Players are invited to register for the 2020 Rugby Season


Register here - <http://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/102911>

Any enquiries please email - cromwelljuniorrugby@gmail.com

or phone

President - Brad Morton - 0276625857
Secretary - Carla Paranihi - 0275129795

Registrations close 28th February 2020

ALEXANDRA JUNIOR basketball
alexandrabasketball@hotmail.com

AJBC Brings to you....

Term 1 Summer League Basketball

Begins Monday 3rd February

Dunstan High School

Year 1-4 3:45pm-4:45pm
Year 5&6 4:45pm-5:45pm
Year 7&8 5:45pm-6:45pm

See our Facebook page for more details
<https://www.facebook.com/alexandrabasketball/>




NRG HEALTH & FITNESS

NRG'S Ninjas

Thursdays 3.30pm – 4pm
7-12yr olds
\$60 for a term

Our kids club is about having fun while being fit!



"NZSKI have not only kept the price the same as 2019 for season passes for our tamariki, but are now offering an instalment option as well. This means the pass can be paid of over 3 payments. The below links will take you to the website to purchase. Local school 3 Peak Passes for 2020 can be secured with two payment options:

1. Pay in full
 2. Purchase in 3 Instalments (before midnight 31st March 2020)
- Dates for 3 Instalments (If purchased by midnight 31st March 2020):

- First payment – at time of purchase
 - 2nd Instalment: 28th April 2020 – Tuesday
 - 3rd Instalment: 25th May 2020 – Monday
- <https://shop.coronetpeak.co.nz/qt-secondary-schools>
<https://shop.coronetpeak.co.nz/qt-primary-schools>

FAQS:

OPENING DATES:

Our scheduled opening dates for 2020 are:

- Mt Hutt – Friday 5th June
- The Remarkables – Saturday 6th June
- Coronet Peak – Saturday 13th June

WHAT IF MY CHILD ALREADY HAS A MYPASS CARD?

If your child already has a mypass card from last year, this will be loaded with their pass for this year, meaning they can head straight to the lifts! To make sure their correct pass is loaded, you can check the alpha-numerical code matches the one on the front of their pass via your online account here:

WHAT ABOUT PHOTOS?

Profile pictures can be taken on your child's first day on the mountain. Or, to avoid the queues, you can visit us at our Queenstown Snow Centre from 4th May, located at 9 Duke Street. If this is your first pass with us, you can upload a profile photo online

WHERE DO I COLLECT MY CHILD'S PASS?

If your child needs to be issued a new season pass, you can collect this from Guest Services on the mountain, or from our Snow Centers in Queenstown.

If you have any questions surrounding this information please contact NZSKI directly on info@nzski.com or 03 450 1970"



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Wanaka A&P Show Primary Schools Key Information

The 83rd Wanaka A&P Show will be held on Friday the 13th and Saturday the 14th of March this year at the Wanaka Show Grounds. All children 12 years old and under have free entry to the show, children aged 13 – 17 years inclusive are \$5 per ticket.

Animals and Displays – There will be plenty of cattle, sheep and horses on display including some unique breeds. The shearing display, wood chopping, and blade shearer will be all go as well operating in their various areas. It is very rare to have such a diverse range of animals and displays happening all in one place so make sure you come along and have a look!

New for 2020 is the inclusion of the Real Country Farm Experience with a great selection of farm animals to interact with including alpacas, a fallow fawn and a mini pony! Operating from 10am – 4pm on Friday and Saturday, we are sure this is going to be a real hit with the kids!

Fun for Kids! – Kahu Youth will once again be running a chill out zone with plenty of games to play.

Kids Stage – We have an excellent line up of children's entertainment at the Kids Stage located next to the Plunket tent and the Mt Iron Picnic Area. The line-up is as follows for both Friday and Saturday:

10am Animal Antics
11am Suzy Cato
12pm Sporty Susie
1pm Animal Antics
2pm Suzy Cato
3pm Sporty Susie

School Visits – If you are going to be attending the Show on Friday with your students as a school trip, please let us know so we can arrange drop off locations and gate entry to make it easier for you.

Park and Ride – Once again we will be operating a free park and ride system from out by the Medical Centre. Simply park your car in the free parking and catch the free shuttle bus right to the entrance of the Wanaka Show. The two shuttles will run continuously every 15 minutes from 8am – 5.30pm.

Facilities – We have free water and sunblock at select locations (marked on the map) around the show, just bring a drink bottle to keep refilling to keep everyone hydrated all day long.

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FUTURES FESTIVAL OF GOLF

Join us at the New Zealand Open!

Open to kids of all ages and skill levels, the Hyundai NZ Futures Festival of Golf will be a fun and festive day out for everyone.

Family SNAG Zone – Perfect for beginners!
Hit lots of targets at the driving range!
Putting and Chipping Games
Closest to Pin Challenge
Longest Drive Challenge
Play 3 holes on the Remarkables Course
Food trucks are on site!
Lots of spot prizes!

Saturday 29 February
Millbrook Resort, Queenstown
9:00am – 1pm
Free Entry

To register, please visit <https://nzopen.com/tournament-info/hyundai-futures-festival-of-golf/>

Please contact futures@nzopen.co.nz for more information



SUPERSTAR CRICKET ALEXANDRA

A fast paced, soft ball game for primary school cricketers!

Get 6 of your mates along and join the fun!

MONDAY | 4:15PM | MOLYNEUX PARK | YEARS 3-6 | TERM 1 | FEB 17TH - MARCH 16TH

REGISTRATION FORMS FROM YOUR SCHOOL OFFICE OR EMAIL SAM@TAGCOUNTRYCRICKET.CO.NZ



GIRLS SMASH!

FREE COMPETITION FOR GIRLS YEAR 3-8

No experience necessary! Come along and enjoy music, games, appearances by Ottago Sparks & heaps of prizes! Teams are 6 aside but individual girls are welcome.

Monday 4:15pm | Molyneux Park | Term 1 | Feb 17th - March 16th

Follow us on facebook @GirlsSmashOttago
Email: sam@tagcountrycricket.co.nz for more information

**CROMWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 1 2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
1	3 February	4	5	6	7	8/9 Feb
3 February - 7 February	Term 1 Commences			Waitangi Day School Closed		
2	10	11	12	13	14	15/16 Feb
10 February - 14 February		Welcome Whakatau 10:40am Steel Netball Visit – 9am Meet the Teacher 6:30-7:10pm 7:15-8:00pm			Kāreera Bike Safety Checks	
3	17	18	19	20	21	22/23 Feb
17 February - 21 February		Life Education	Life Education	Life Education Football South Yr 5 & 6 girls, Alexandra	Life Education Garry Milford Bike Skills K1, K2 & K5 Whole School Assembly (K2)	
4	24	25	26	27	28	29 Feb/1 Mar
24 February - 28 February	Life Education Garry Milford Bike Skills – K Hub	Life Education	Life Education	El Gregoel, Memorial Hall, 1.40pm	Senior Athletic Sports Year 3-6	
5	2 March	3	4	5	6	7/8 March
2 March – 6 March	PP Date Senior Athletics – Year 3-6 SOK's AGM, 7pm				Whole School Assembly	
6	9	10	11	12	13	14/15 March
9 March - 13 March	Year 5 Camp Columba	Year 5 Camp Columba	Year 5 Camp Columba	Year 5 Camp Columba	Year 5 Camp Columba Lake Track Bike Ride – Kāreera Team	
7	16	17	18	19	20	21/22 March
16 March - 20 March	Year 6 Camp Dunedin	Year 6 Camp Dunedin	Year 6 Camp Dunedin	Year 6 Camp Dunedin K1 & K2 – St John First Aid Course	Year 6 Camp Dunedin K3, K4 & K5 – St John First Aid Course Whole School Assembly	
8	23	24	25	26	27	28/29 March
23 March - 27 March	Otago Anniversary Day School Closed	EOTC H1 & H2 – Garry Milford Bike	H1 & H2 EOTC Dunstan Zone Athletics, Alexandra	H1 & H2 Big Bike About	H1 & H2 Clip'n'Climb	
9	30	31	1	2	3	4/5 April
30 March – 3 April Goal Setting Meetings			CO Athletics, Alexandra	K4 & K5 Kayaking, Cromwell Pool	K1, K2 & K3 Kayaking, Cromwell Pool	
10	6	7	8	9	10	11/12 April
6 April -9 April			Kāreera Team Walking Tracks	Final Day Term One	Good Friday	