

Newsletter

DEAR PARENTS AND FRIENDS

NGĀ MIHI NUI KI A KOUTOU KATO. 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 excited about their visit to college tomorrow when they will join their peers from Goldfields Primary School for a morning of fun activities and orientation. All Year 6 families are encouraged to attend the Transition to College evening being held at college tonight 5:30-6:30pm

The Hārewa Team swimming programme concluded last Friday after a very busy week for our younger children. The children were tired after a week of swimming lessons but the progress they achieved makes it well worthwhile.

LOOSEY THE LOOSE PARTS PLAY TRAILER

On Monday “Loosey, Sport Otago’s loose parts play trailer arrived at school much to the delight of our Kārearea Team students. The children spent the afternoon creating their own games and using a range of loose parts that included old phones, trolleys, noodles, a tug of war band and lots of other “bits and pieces” which were used creatively by the children to have a whole heap of fun.



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REMINDERS

- Fri 26 Nov, Hārewa Athletics
- Fri 26 Nov, Year 6 Transition - visit to College
- Fri 26 Nov, SOK’s Ice Blocks for sale after school \$2, cash only
- Tues 30 Nov & Thur 2 Nov—K Team Kayaking
- Fri 3 Dec, Teacher Only Day —SCHOOL CLOSED
- Thur 16 Dec, Last Day for 2021, 1pm finish
- Wed 2 Feb 2022, First Day Term 1

NEW PRINCIPAL TRANSITION

Our new principal Mr McCormick has been spending time at school over the past two weeks meeting staff and children and observing in classrooms to find out about our Maths and Literacy programmes in particular. He met the Student Council children last week and was very impressed by their commitment to “making a difference” at school and in the wider community. Mr McCormick will present to all the staff next Friday to launch our 2022 planning day and he will then spend time with each of the teams, as they focus on planning for a wonderful Term 1 for the children and a successful transition to Cromwell Primary for Mr McCormick.

IMPORTANT END OF YEAR DATES

Friday 3rd December TEACHER ONLY DAY (school closed)

Tuesday 7 December: Highlands “Battle of the Year 6s”

Wednesday 8 December – Year 6 Leavers Assembly (details to be confirmed)

Monday 13 December - End of Year Reports sent home

Thursday 16th December Final Day of Term 4 – 1:00pm finish

SATURDAY MORNING MUSIC IN CENTRAL 2022

Ministry of Education funded music lessons will be available again in 2022. 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 2022.

Hire instruments are available -

Violin \$80 for the year.

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

Contacts details are as follows:

Kate McFadgen at the school office: tel: 445 0264 or email

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

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

SOK's Ice Block Fridays – Term 4

**SOK's will be selling ice blocks every Friday after school
on the tennis courts and at the bus stop - \$2 - cash only
please**

STICKS'N'STONES



Thank you to Lisa and Lisa from Sticks'n'Stones for empowering our students to have the skills, confidence and connections to be themselves and support their peers to feel accepted and respected. We all want bullying to be a thing of the past.

THE GREEN FAIRY

The green fairy was excited to find these nude lunch boxes at school. Well done Xanthe and Madison for not bringing rubbish to school.



Persuasive Writing

Our writing focus for the last five weeks has been on 'Persuasive Writing'. We have looked at the different persuasive devices to convince people to believe our point of view and how to structure a persuasive argument. Below is an example of an email we sent to our new principal, Mr McCormick, about getting rid of school uniforms. Are you persuaded?

Kia Ora Mr McCormick,

Imagine having to trudge through your wardrobe, in search of one clean t-shirt. The mountain of dirty uniform that takes hours to clean because of the thick, light blue material, and the stains still seem to stick. These uniforms are impossible to keep clean, and the hardworking teachers have to put up with groaning kids, because they're "too hot" or "I'm so uncomfortable". Plus the uniforms are ridiculously expensive and don't let kids express themselves. Come on Mr McCormick, put your students out of their misery, and let there be no uniform!

Without a doubt parents at least spend half the week scrubbing the filth from our thick ugly uniform. Clearly, this hideous uniform will be a big attraction for a bad reputation about the school's appearance. Heads will spin while we walk back from the pool. Reviews about the school's presentation will plummet miserably. The next big headline will be "Mr McCormick, doesn't care about his school". These uniforms will create a bad reputation not only for the school but for you as principal. Get rid of these appalling bad reputation attractions, and let there be no uniform.

You seriously need to take a look at this problem because it's affecting your hardworking teachers! While they are in the middle of the class roll kids turn up in their own clothes which causes teachers to send emails and tell their students off. Whereas if this was school proticole, your innocent teachers wouldn't have to be raging bulls. Kids come home covered in dirt and grime, making parents complain. My brother has eleven t-shirts all coated in despicable things and he's only been here for two years. Do you really want to be hated by the parents, or do you want to be the principal that puts a stop to this hideous uniform?

I'm pretty sure I've shown how much we hate our uniform but I'm going to emphasize it even more. This uniform is stopping kids expressing themselves through what they wear. Girls must wear skorts and if they wanted to wear shorts, they would have to wear those baggy impractical "shorts" that the boys are forced to wear. Which leads me to my next point. Every item of clothing that you make us wear is impractical. It either gets covered in stains or is just dreadful to wear. The clothes that we wear are a big part of our personality. Let's say your favourite kind of clothes are black and dull, but our disgraceful uniform makes it look like you love bright and joyful clothes. Do you really want your students to have to hide their personality, or do you want to put a stop to this nasty uniform?

You have listened to my argument, heard my reasons and should now stop reading and get on the phone to free us of this terrible, hideous, embarrassing uniform!!!!

Kind Regards,

Indy Blackadder

Certificates from Ako Team Assembly– Week 4/5



Back: Jack R, Ava S, Paxton A, Jessi C, Reegan B

Front: Duke S, Kristian S, Sienna M



Back: Liam K, Lutu M, Ali H, Noortje J

Front: Charlesse D, Keryn H, Henry J

NEWSFLASH

Writing bug sweeping through the Hārewa Hub. Beware! Highly contagious. Spreading at a fast rate. Some of these boys have spent 3 of their lunchtimes writing. Some have just caught the bug and have spent 35 minutes of their 40 minute break...WRITING!!! Can you believe it?



ENVIROSCHOOLS—AIR QUALITY STORY

Recently our students from Ako featured in an Enviroschool's article as part of their "akonga creating change stories" series. The story clearly highlighted the benefit of students participating in authentic learning within a real life context. We have included the link to this article and encourage everyone to read it. This is a great example of self-directed learning that we promote at Cromwell Primary School.

<https://enviroschools.org.nz/creating-change/stories/akonga-are-air-aware/>

MISSING

Has anyone seen a scotter similar to this? Has Cara N written under the base. Please let the office know if you have seen it.



LOOSEY THE LOOSE PARTS PLAY TRAILER PHOTOS...



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 there is assistance that is available.

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) - pre-ordering available now

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. Please order before 9am on Fridays via the link on our School Facebook page.



Cromwell
Primary School
MAKING A DIFFERENCE

COMMUNITY NOTICES

A CROMWELL COMMUNITY PROJECT

  **SANTALAND**

Santa's Christmas Photo



 Photo with Santa \$10 per family

THURSDAY
9th Dec 4.30 - 7pm

FRIDAY
10th Dec 4.30 - 7pm

SATURDAY
11th Dec 9am - 3pm | 4.30 - 7pm

SUNDAY
12th Dec 1 - 5pm

 EFTPOS available

This year Santaland is Photos with Santa ONLY

Cromwell Presbyterian Church Hall, 10 Elspeth Street,

NEXT CHAPTER PARENTING offering Individual, or group, PARENTING SESSIONS via Zoom.

Eight one hourly sessions, weekly at a time convenient to you, available evenings.

Topics covered include Communication, Empathy, Setting Limits, Quality Time, Consequences, Choices, Redirection, Pick your battles with your child, Problem Behaviour, Praise vs Acknowledgement, Time In vs Time Out, The Pause, Erickson's Stages of Growth, Personality Types and how it affects your children. WINZ funding assistance where eligible.

Website: www.nextchapterparenting.co.nz

Contact: brigid@nextchapterparenting.co.nz

Express yourself through Dance. Love yourself and make it happen.

Bannockburn Hall.
Every Tuesdays
6.30pm. \$10

DANCE FITNESS

WITH FARISHA

Contact: FB- Begum
Mohammed Join Group:
Dance Fitness with Farisha.



FREE in Term 4

Golf lessons for school pupils

Coached by Cromwell

Golf Professional Willie Moore

Sponsored by the Eagles Golfing

Society of Otago Inc

Held at Cromwell Golf Club — All sessions 4-5pm

Years 1- 6 : Tuesdays October 19 to December 14

Years 7-13 : Wednesdays October 20 to December 15

Contact Willie 445 0165 or 021 521 901 to book in

No need to have your own clubs.

Bring your friends, water bottle, suitable footwear and a sunhat!

CHRISTMAS

Mall Pyjama Party

5PM-9PM

DEC 16

BOUNCY CASTLE **SPECIAL DEALS**
FACE PAINTING **OUTDOOR GAMES**
COLOURING IN COMPETITION **MUSIC**

Community Event Supported by

paperplus **Stirling Sports** **cromwellpharmacy**

CREATIVE **Like Dunston Pharmacy** **Christinz** **BIKE IT NOW!**

TERM PLANNER - TERM 4

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
1	18 Oct	19	20	21	22	23/24 Oct
18 Oct - 22 Oct	Term Four Commences SOK's Meeting 7pm Ako Literacy Week	Literacy Week	SOK's Raffles sent home Literacy Week	Literacy Week	SOK's Ice Blocks Character Dress Up Day Literacy Week	
2	25	26	27	28	29	30/31 Oct
25 Oct - 29 Oct	Labour Day - SCHOOL CLOSED	Kārearea Team - Water Safety, Cromwell Pool	Kārearea Team - Water Safety, Cromwell Pool	Great NZ Shake Out ODT Quiz (Online)	SOK's Ice Blocks SOK's Raffle Cards & money due back	
3	1 Nov	2	3	4	5	6/7 Nov
1 Nov - 5 Nov			New Entrant Parent Meeting - 3.15pm Yr 5/6 Triathlon	Plant Sale 3-4pm PP Year 5/6 Triathlon	Plant Sale 3-4pm Donkey Poo Raffle Drawn SOK's Ice Blocks	
4	8	9	10	11	12	13/14 Nov
8 Nov - 12 Nov				Remembrance Day Service, Centaph (Some Ako Students & Councillors)	SOK's Ice Blocks	
5	15	16	17	18	19	20/21 Nov
15 Nov - 19 Nov	Hārewa Swimming Sticks n Stones Junior Ambassador Day (if in Level 1)	Hārewa Swimming	Hārewa Swimming	Hārewa Swimming	Hārewa Swimming Yr 6 Transition - Yr 7 teachers to visit Kārearea Team - Mining Centre Trip SOK's Ice Blocks	
6	22	23	24	25	26	27/28 Nov
22 Nov - 26 Nov				Year 3/4 Duathlon	Hārewa Athletics Yr 6 Transition - Visit to Cromwell College SOK's Ice Blocks	
7	29	30	1 Dec	2	3	4/5 Dec
29 Nov - 3 Dec		Kārearea Team Kayaking		H2 Clip 'n' Climb - TBC Kārearea Team Kayaking	Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED	
8	6	7	8	9	10	11/12 Dec
6 Dec - 10 Dec	Year 6 visit to Cromwell Youth Hangout	Battle of the Year 6's, Go Karting, Highlands Motorsport Park	Whole school Transition, 10.30-11am Year 6 Leavers Function (TBC)	Whole School FUNDAY	PP Whole School FUNDAY SOK's Ice Blocks Whole school Transition, 10.30-11am	
9	13	14	15	16	17	18/19 Dec
13 Dec - 17 Dec	Reports Home 2022 Meet the Teacher - Session 1	2022 Meet the Teacher - Session 2 Final Assembly for Mrs Brooks	Hārewa Movie morning	Final Day Term 4 - 1pm finish		