

Newsletter

DEAR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

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

We hope you enjoyed reading our “Special Edition” Newsletter last week which introduced our awesome 2020 staff. We are now a team of 35. The beginning of the school year is very busy for teachers with a number of additional meetings being arranged with parents. These meetings help to ensure that everyone is clear about how things have been set up for our individual learners and it also provides an opportunity for parents to share important information they may have with us. If for any reason you were unable to attend the Meet the Teacher sessions held in Week 2, you are welcome to call in and introduce yourself to classroom teachers before or after school at any stage. It is important for your child to know that there is a connection between home and school. Education is a partnership between home and school and your active involvement with your child’s education will give them the best possible opportunity to succeed at school.

LIFE EDUCATION

This week all classes have enjoyed their sessions in the Life Education Bus with Harold & Pip. Focus areas have been emotions, friendships and digital citizenship.



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REMINDERS

- **Fri 28 Feb, Athletic Sports, Yr 3-6**
- **Mon 2 Mar, SOK's AGM, 7pm in staffroom**
- **Mon 9 to Fri 13 Mar, Year 5 Camp Columba**
- **Fri 13 Mar, K Team Lake Track Bike Ride**
- **Mon 16 to Fri 20 Mar, Year 6 Camp, Dunedin**
- **Mon 23 Mar—Otago Anniversary Day
SCHOOL CLOSED**

FOOTBALL FUNDAY IN ALEXANDRA

Last week our Years 5/6 girls travelled to Alexandra to enjoy a “Football Funday” delivered by Football South. A BIG thank you to Karin Hermens and Bianca Kotze for assisting Mrs Hall and Ms Luke for the day. The girls enjoyed playing fitness games and learning a variety of skills for the morning. It was very well organised and the session on refereeing was a big hit. The afternoon was spent playing round robin games. By the end of the day we were all exhausted but there was lots of excitement about joining a football team which is testament to an excellent day.



NEXT ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 5TH MARCH 11:40AM CROMWELL COLLEGE AUDITORIUM

Please note our new assembly time. Our first assembly was held last week. Assemblies for Term 1 have been scheduled in Weeks 3, 5, 7 & 9. All parents and friends of the school are welcome to attend.

EOTC ACTION IN TERM 1

Week 5 – Year 5 Camp Columba (Pukerau)

Week 6 – Year 6 Dunedin Camp

Week 8 – H1 & 2

Weeks 7, 9 & 10 – day events for Kārearea Team

OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAMME 2020

Special Choir: Ms Luke will be taking the choir this year and she will let children know when she is going to get started. This will be after Ako Senior Hub Camps have been completed. The choir is invited to sing in the local community on a number of occasions throughout the year.

Guitar: sessions with Pete Stevenson will be held on Thursdays this year. Sessions commenced today and we have approximately 50 children involved. Pete organises the children into groups of 4 or 5, with new students being kept together and returning students being grouped according to their playing ability. Students must have signed consent from parents. We have restricted guitar to Years 4-6 children because of the large number of interested children. Children who were involved with guitar last year will also take precedence, if we have large numbers wanting to learn.

Saturday Morning Music Lessons (SMMC): Johanna Hansen is responsible for this tuition every Tuesday. If your child is interested in learning violin, cello or clarinet, please contact Wendy or Kate (445-0264). Enrolment forms are available from the office.

Kapa Haka: Mary-Anne Tamati, our specialist Te Reo teacher provides Te Reo language support for students and teachers every Monday afternoon. Amber Nepe and Claire Lincoln are the staff in charge of our two Kapa Haka Groups. All our

senior Māori students will be encouraged to participate in this activity.

CURRICULUM CORNER: STARTING SCHOOL

Everyone in the family has to make adjustments to routines once school starts. Establishing workable routines helps everyone cope with their own responsibilities while easing things for others in the family. At the start of the school year, put in place a family plan for bedtimes, morning routines and after-school chores, commitments and homework. A plan will help the family function smoothly, ensure important priorities are met and keep everyone happy and healthy for a successful year.

Strategies:

1. Consider how many activities children can realistically manage. Homework, music lessons, clubs, scouts, sports, dance and speech lessons are all important in building a rounded personality, but children of all ages can become stressed if they take on too much. School demands can vary from year to year and should be taken into account when decisions are made about which activities children will sign up for.
2. Ensure school-age children get enough sleep. Both the brain and the body need sleep to refresh, recharge, and function effectively. Establish bedtime routines and stick to them throughout the year. When children know you are serious they will organise themselves around the times you have set. Well-rested children are healthier. Parents also need some quiet time to themselves in the evening.
3. Maintain a master calendar. The school provides a Term Calendar (attached to the newsletter) which shows all main events happening at school each particular term. You may choose to buy a large calendar and keep track of everyone's programmes and events. Checking, maintaining and up-dating the calendar can become a routine and help everyone see and respect the busy lives every family member leads, including Mum and Dad.

HEALTH & SAFETY NEWS

- **Highlighter Vests:** a reminder that it is compulsory for all children travelling on school buses to wear a highlighter vest. Please support the school by ensuring your child has a vest in their school bag for daily use.
- **Hats:** we are still reminding a number of children about the compulsory wearing of hats in Terms 1/4. It has been good to see lots of hats being purchased from the office. We remind parents that caps are not suitable for wearing at school – we expect children to wear either the new school hat or the old navy hat with a brim. Please ensure these are clearly named!!
- **Footwear:** there are lots of bees on our grass areas, so please remind your children that they must wear shoes at school, especially in the playground to avoid this.
- **Medical Information/Contact Details Forms:** we are currently updating our pupil information files which include any health related issues. Please return this form if you are new or if medical information or contact details have changed.
- **EOTC Local Permission Form:** New students - we would appreciate the speedy return of the signed permission forms, to allow your child to participate in local based activities outside school. It is important that we receive these, as students will not be permitted to leave the school grounds for class based activities unless this form has been signed and returned.

- **Drink Bottles:** please ensure that your child has a named drink bottle for their water. We encourage the regular drinking of water at school.
- **Good family rules to promote safety include:**
 - ◇ never accept a ride from a stranger, make sure a parent knows where you are at all times, don't reveal personal information to strangers (including online) and keep the door locked and don't answer it if you are home alone.
 - ◇ No, Go, Yell, Tell. These four words are part of the National Crime Prevention Council's advice to parents for teaching children about strangers. This phrase teaches children to yell "No!" if approached by strangers, run away quickly, yell for help and tell a trusted adult what happened. Even young children can learn these four words and what to do.
 - ◇ Most children will grow up without having any trouble with strangers, but it's best to be prepared. Teach your children to be aware of the people around them and follow basic safety rules. Doing this will help them have confidence to know how to keep themselves safe. Start today!

NEWSLETTERS

Our newsletter will be emailed once a fortnight (hard copies will be provided for families without internet access). A huge amount of time is spent preparing the fortnightly newsletter as it is our main form of communication with home. Please let us know if you do not receive a copy each fortnight. Notices will be emailed on the alternate week, as there is always information for families from school. Newsletter weeks in Term One will be Weeks 2, 3, 4, 6 & 8.

UNIFORM NEWS

A reminder that our new school uniform service is available from Metrografix (Tanya Reddy 445 4533) and second hand uniform is available through the SoKs Facebook Page.

We remind parents about the following expectations:

Boys – plain navy socks only (Cromwell College socks are also fine)

Girls – plain white or navy socks or navy tights. (no leggings that show underneath dresses)

No coloured t-shirts underneath polo shirts or dresses.

No plastic shoes (crocs etc), jandals, skate shoes please

Regulation shorts purchased through the uniform service only.

We appreciate the effort parents have made to have their children looking great in their uniforms and taking pride as a Cromwell Primary School pupil. We have almost 100% of children wearing the uniform correctly and it does make a difference. Thanks so much everyone

AFTER SCHOOL CARE – AVAILABLE DAILY

After school care is available from 3:00pm-5:30pm every day. The programme is based in Old Ako currently and is supervised by Sue Collins (Coordinator) and Tracey Coles. Costs are \$8 per day, per student for permanent bookings and \$10 per day, per student for casual bookings. Supervisors assist children with their daily reading and homework tasks which we know helps busy parents out. Students are

able to use the computers for spelling & basic facts reinforcement and they can also play games do craft activities, read or play outside.

ATHLETIC SPORTS—YEAR 3-6

The Cromwell Primary School Athletic Sports will be held on Friday 28 February starting at 9:25 am (Postponement date Monday 2 March for Y3-Y6 students.

Please ensure your child has suitable shorts, Cromwell Primary School T Shirt or School House T Shirt and a Cromwell Primary School hat, water & plenty of food for Friday.

Cromwell Primary School Athletics Day 2020 – Timetable

Time	9.15 – 9.45	9.45– 10.15	10.15 – 10.45	10.45– 11.15	11.15 – 11.45	11.45– 12.15	12.30– 1 pm	1pm – 1.30	1.30-2:00	2:00 –2:30
Y5 Boys	High Jump	Hurdles	Break	Discus	Sprints	Shot put	Lunch	800m	Long Jump	House Relay
Y5 Girls	Hurdles	Discus		Sprints	Shotput	800m		Long Jump	Highjump	
Y4 Boys	Discus	Sprints		Shotput	600m	Long Jump		High jump	Hurdles	
Y4 Girls	Sprints	Shot put		600m	Long jump	High Jump		Hurdles	Discus	
Y6 Boys & Girls	Shot put	800m		Long jump	High Jump	Hurdles		Discus	Sprint	
Y3 and Y2 Girls	400m	Long Jump		High Jump	Hurdles	Discus		Sprint	Shot put	
Y3 and Y2 Boys	Long Jump	High Jump		Hurdles	Discus	Sprints		Shot Put	400m	

NEW ARRIVALS - WELCOME

We welcomed **Kelly M, Lauren M, Dhanvi J, James J, Qyn Erra E, Nikaia F, Nikau H, Ariadne M, Max J, Gabrielle B, Nathan A, Kheoura D, Emilee M, Cash H, Ryan A, Lucca L-S, Riley M, Gracie L, Oliver T, Te Raki B, Nathaniel W, Tilliah P, Cooper H, Samantha T, Sam S, Samuel B-O and James S** to school recently. We hope you enjoy your time with us at Cromwell Primary.

KAHIKATEA PLAYGROUND VALUES AWARDS

Lucy H, Ara R, Sophie M, Meya B (Hārewa), Hunter M, Lucas S, Millar H, Ethan E, Liam H, Cara N, Ruslan S (3), Samuel P, Macey A and Harry S (Kārearea)



PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS – 21 FEBRUARY ASSEMBLY

Well done to: Liam H, Sophie R, William D, Emma S, Cash H, Hunter T, Connor W, Vienna M, Saanvi R, Tom M, Esther M, Beau H, Nikau H, Layla W, Harper R, Jack M, Henry J, Josh B, Hadley P, Charlee S, James H, Stella H, Quade D-V

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 (\$16) - pre-ordering 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 in Terms 1 & 4 this year Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in Terms 2 & 3.

Subway Tuesday:

1. You can order and pay online.

Go to 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.

2. You can order through the school

A special envelope is available with all the options to tick. If you think this is going to suit you best, please come into the office and pick up a few envelopes.

Sushi Thursday:

Use the purple bag service before 9. Envelope to include \$5 for 6 pieces or \$6 for 8 pieces, name, room, flavour (vegetarian, tuna, chicken, salmon). Soy, ginger or wasabi will only come if you request it.

NEW Organic Lunch Box (\$7 incl sushi (choice of Salmon Teriyaki Chicken or Tuna Mayo) plus Japanese omelette & seasonal vegetables

PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE THE EXACT CHANGE!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Cromwell Junior Netball Club Years 1-6

Registrations are now open for Cromwell Junior Netball if you have a year 1 to 6 child who would like to play please follow the link below and complete the form:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/115001>

All forms must be in by Friday 13th March 2020

The year 1 & 2 (Junior Development Programme) will have one practice a week after school and the years 3 & 4 and 5 & 6 teams will have one practice a week and will also play a game every Saturday in Alexandra.

Practice for the 2020 season will be held on Thursdays

We will be holding a fun day in March so that the players can have a run around and we can get an idea on team placements. This will be for year 5 & 6 players only. Date to be confirmed

If you have any questions then please email: cromwell.junior.netball.club@gmail.com

Players must be registered to be able to play so don't miss out!



KELLY SPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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SHARELLE@KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ
027 370 6307

BOOK ONLINE AT
KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ



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Brendan Dooley International Comedy Magician in two fabulously funny shows:

Mayhem! – Ultimate Kids' Show

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Brendan Dooley is fast becoming one of the world's top young magicians, described by The Press as *"...a new generation of talent already snapping the heels of established acts."*

This family show combines a unique blend of non-traditional magic, stunts, original quick-witted comedy and cheeky pick-pocketing in an unforgettable show that has made Brendan an audience favourite with thousands worldwide!

Recently Brendan was the recipient of NZ's Top Comedy Magician Award, Recently Brendan was the recipient of NZ's Top Comedy Magician Award, the youngest ever to receive it. He says that his January 2020 stint at the "World Famous Magic Castle" in Hollywood will lead to even more tricks up his sleeve!

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**Saturday 7 March 11:00 am Cromwell
- Mayhem!**

Cromwell & District Presbyterian Church

Children \$5; Adult \$15; Family: 2 Adults plus 3 Children \$30

Book: Artscentral.co.nz; Cromwell iSite



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



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.

CROMWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 1 2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Updated 27 February 2020

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			Kārearea 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 Gregorio, 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 – Kārearea 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 Whole School Assembly	
10	6	7	8	9	10	11/12 April
6 April - 9 April			Kārearea Team Walking Tracks	Final Day Term One	Good Friday	