

# WITHERLEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 15th September 2020

Term 3 Week 9: 2020



## Principal's Message

**Kia ora koutou Witherlea whanau,**

This will be the last newsletter for term 3 and what a term it has been. Although the country has been in and out of Alert Levels and spent most of this term in Alert Level 2 the community continues to blow us away with their support.

We have had our first group of Year 5-6 students experience camp through Teapot Valley and our second group are away this week at Bridge Valley. The organisation that goes into these camps is unbelievable and the parent support at Witherlea is so special. During my visit last week the students reminded me why camp is so important as it gives students a chance to take risks in a safe environment, use teamwork and outdoor skills that only happen in an environment like camp. The real-life learning, the cooperation, the perseverance and **resilience** that is needed to successfully navigate the outdoors is impossible to emulate at school.

This is something that I am passionate about; **how to effectively teach resilience so our students grow up strong being able to withstand all that life can throw at them?** You see, I don't really think you can teach it in isolation or without it being actually needed. We have the opportunity to guide our children through tough times by highlighting to them, **this is it, you are in it and you can get through it.** These times happen naturally for children when they miss out on a sports teams, or dance a group, and when things don't go to plan with learning or with their friends.

When our students go to camp they have multiple opportunities where things get tough, don't go to plan and where they need to push through and practice being resilient. This is why camp is an important right of passage for ALL our Witherlea students.

We look forward to ending this term on a high and having some sort of normal return to our region and country soon. We have all had to use resilience to get through COVID-19 this year.

Although, we know we can get through anything - together!

**Ngā manaakitanga,**

**Andrea Harnett - Tumuaiki**

## Learning Showcase Day

We have been thinking about ways we can connect our families and whānau to the amazing learning that happens 'inside the school' and in particular with the local curriculum design that has been taking place ever since we created our **VISION** together in 2018; **"Ararangi - Pathway to the Sky"; Empowering ALL learners to reach their potential in an innovative community.**

Our **Learning Showcase Day** is designed to have our school open to everyone, a coffee cart, our current curriculum set up in the hall with space to have your say, a google form to capture your ideas, our Kapa Haka, Choir and Jump Jam performing, our classes open with your own children (our learners) taking tours in their classrooms, through their books with the focus on the progress in their learning.

The day is planned to start at 12pm, as long 'as we are in Alert Level 1'; where the Tuakana Kapa Haka group will perform to open the day and then our Choir (on the Ferns grass area by the Hall deck). The classes will then be open till 1pm. We will have our Teina Kapa Haka group and Jump Jam performing at lunch and families and whānau can either stay for lunch or take their children home early to start the holiday break together.

We will ask parents to sign children out at their classes if they do choose to take them early so we can account for all our children.

**"Ararangi - Pathway to the Sky"**

**Empowering all learners to reach their potential in an innovative community**

# Term Events

## Term 3

### Week Nine

**Monday 14th September - Friday 18th September**

Maori Language Week across Aotearoa

See the Te Reo Praise Prompts for the classroom and at home

**Tuesday 15th September - Friday 18th September**

Bridge Valley Camp: Uenuku Hub  
Room 18 and 19

**Tuesday 15th September**

Marlborough Science Fair

### Week Ten

**Monday 21st September - Friday 25th September**

**POSSIBLE CHANGE to ALERT LEVEL 1**

Ferns/Hub 1 Swim Week

**Monday 21st September**

September Board Meeting  
5:30pm in the Library

**Tuesday 22nd September**

Rippa Rugby Tournament: Landsdown Park

**Friday 25th September**

**Learning Showcase at Alert Level 1**

OPEN class, performances, Coffee Cart and an opportunity to connect with the learning and see progress  
Times 12noon-2pm

## Term 4

### Week One

**Monday 12th October - Friday 16th October**

**Tuesday 13th October**

Marlborough Leaders Day  
Choir Performance at ASB

**Friday 16th October**

Marlborough Mountain Biking Competition

### Week Two

**Monday 19th October - Friday 23rd October**

**Tuesday 20th October**

Taiopenga Festival at MGC

**Thursday 22nd October**

Whole School Athletics Day (this could be changed)

### Week Three

**Tuesday 27th October - Friday 30th October**

**Monday 26th October**

**SCHOOL CLOSED: Labour Day Holiday**

### Week Four

**Tuesday 3rd November - Friday 6th November**

**Monday 2nd November**

**SCHOOL CLOSED: Marlborough Anniversary Holiday**

**Friday 6th November**

WSPCG Disco for Witherlea students  
Details to come

### Week Five

**Monday 9th November - Friday 13th November**

**Annual School Book Fair - Library**

Milo and Marshmallow

**Monday 9th November**

November BOT Meeting: 5:30pm in the Library

**Friday 13th November**

Diabetes NZ Day - Dress Up in Blue  
(Gold coin donation)

TE WĀ  
TUKU REO  
MĀORI  
Monday  
14 September  
12pm

MĀORI  
LANGUAGE  
MOMENT



	THURSDAY	1ST OCTOBER	
Creative Collage	9.30am to 11.00am		\$26
Abstract Fun	1.30pm to 3.00pm		\$24
	THURSDAY	8TH OCTOBER	
Arty Sculpture	9.30am to 11.00am		\$27
Abstract Action	1.30pm to 3.00pm		\$25



Come and explore abstract & mixed media art techniques  
Have fun creating cool artworks

All art materials are provided. Spaces limited. Bookings essential.

Class venue  
Marlborough Art Society  
204 High Street  
Blenheim

For more information and to register  
contact Paula  
artschoolmarlborough@gmail.com  
0273341388  
paulakerslake.com





# Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Fair SHOUT OUTS

**Congratulations to these students  
for living our school MOTTO**

## **Hub 1: Ferns, Room 3 and 4**

*Janaya P, Evalyn H, Annabelle H, Sophie C*

## **Hub 2: Room 6 and 7**

*Remy B, Nikolita A*

## **Hub 3: Room 11 and 12**

*Ewan P, Caitlyn D*

## **Hub 4: Room 15, 16 and 17**

*Rosa C, Chayce K, Hugo F*

## **Uenuku and Tane Mahuta Hubs**

### **Our Kaitiaki - Guardians**

**Room 18, 19, 20, 8 and 9**

*Edyn R, Dylan E, Lachlan S,*

*Morgan S, La-Shaya P-S*



**2020 Inspire Tennis Junior  
Tennis Coaching Program at  
Marlborough Tennis Club**

### **When:**

Term 4 (Starting Monday 12th & Wednesday 14th Oct),

### **What:**

**Junior Aces 1** 3.30 - 4.10pm 5 & 6 years Mondays or  
Wednesdays

**Junior Aces 2** 4.10 - 4.50 7 & 8 years Mondays or  
Wednesdays

**Junior Aces 3** 4.50 - 5.30 9 & 10 years Mondays or  
Wednesdays

**Junior Aces Pros** 5.30 - 6.10 11 & 12 years Mondays only

### **Cost:**

\$100 for an 8 week term

**Bookings now open**

**website: [www.inspiretennis.co.nz](http://www.inspiretennis.co.nz)**

**email: [reilly@inspiretennis.co.nz](mailto:reilly@inspiretennis.co.nz)**

**Free Love Tennis Open Day at the Marlborough Tennis  
Club 10th & 11th Oct - all ages welcome!**

## **Witherlea Sports Update**

Our students love their afterschool and weekend sport and while we organize all of this via school we need parents to manage and coach to field teams. Even if you have no experience it can be a very rewarding role and essential so that we can enter teams.

### **Volleyball 2020**

Year 3-6 volleyball registrations are now live on the Sportshub!

Registrations close **Wednesday 23rd September**

### **3 x 3 Basketball**

See the details on the Flyer

### **Tennis Coaching Programme**

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Marlborough Basketball Association

# **3x3 Summer League**

**Tuesday nights – 6 weeks**

**13th October – 17th November**

**Year 5 & 6 4-5pm**

**Year 7 & 8 5-6pm**

**College/Seniors 6-7pm**

**\$5PP (PAID IN ADVANCE, OR CASH ON NIGHT) – NO PAY, NO PLAY  
TEAMS MADE ON NIGHT**

**FIRST IN FIRST SERVED (LIMITED TO 60 PLAYERS PER AGE GROUP)**

**OUTDOOR COURTS**

**NO SIGN UPS REQUIRED, JUST TURN UP ON THE NIGHT**

**PRIZES GIVEN OUT EACH WEEK FOR WINNERS**

## **Early Words Programme**

**Congratulations to these students for  
completing their Early Words;**

*Janaya P*

**We will look to present all these certificates  
in Term 4 on our Day 1 Flag Raising**





# Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Fair Kia Atawhai, Kia Ora, Kia Tika



What a fabulous camp to visit last week, seeing all the children out of their comfort zones and taking part in all the action that a camp like Teapot Valley provides.



Sean Lange, Year 5 Witherlea School



My 16 year old cousin in the UK has set up Face Huggers UK masks. We thought it would be a good idea to set up an NZ branch to give New Zealanders fun, designer facemasks rather than a boring look!

We have chosen the safest grade materials -3 layer polypropylene, quilted and elasticated for a comfortable face hugging fit!

Cost \$19.95 including postage per mask

Size guide: Small (child)  
Medium (smaller featured adult)  
Large (Adult)

Please visit my facebook page Facehuggers NZ for more info and to see my designs.

Please order with choice of mask and size along with name and address via [facehuggersnz@gmail.com](mailto:facehuggersnz@gmail.com) We will send confirmation of order and payment details.

Thanks you  
Face Huggers NZ 😊



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