

WITHERLEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Monday 3rd August 2020

Term 3 Week 3: 2020



See the image from our 2020 Cross Country and on the back page

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou Witherlea whanau,

Even though it has been a busy couple of weeks at school we seem to have achieved so much together. We have ticked off so many events which were rescued from our cancelled Gala due to COVID-19. Our WSPCG has planned, organised and delivered; *two Monster Garage Sales, Silent Auction, and a Mini Gala* with the help of so many of our generous parents and caregivers who give their time volunteering,

The highlight of course was the Mini Gala on Friday where every child participated regardless of the donation they brought to school - some of our students had never had the opportunity to come to previous Gala's.

We had parents also turn up and support the Cross Country which was a stunning day for all our children; it was so amazing to watch those who were competitive runners and those who made it their goal to complete the run. Every child participated and was so proud of their efforts. Our whole school sung, danced and cheered on their peers and our teachers and teacher aides made it all possible with the preparation and support on the day.

These are the moments as a principal that I am most proud; seeing our community come together and then to see children feel the success of; hard work, perseverance, determination, doing their best and never giving up - after all, these are the essential elements of success as New Zealand citizens.

**Ngā manaakitanga,
Andrea Harnett - Tumuaki**

Digital Assembly: Hub 4

OMG - so many 'new' opportunities have come from our learnings during COVID-19. What our students are capable of, what skills they need in the future as jobs change and here we have our Assembly Team and Hub 4 in the spotlight for the first Digital Assembly of Term 3. Thanks to Mrs Muir, Mrs Halton, Mrs Anderson, Mrs Herdman and Room 17, 16 and 15 for this amazing Assembly: Click on the [LINK](#) to view.

Generous Donations

We wish to thank our community for their support and generosity. There are many families within our school community who find it difficult to support the school through our voluntary donation (\$105) and/or pay for extra activities like; *Fundamentals, Swim Week and Camp*. Due to the generosity of others and the strategic planning of the school we created a fund to ensure every child who attends Witherlea School is included, even in the extra's. It is called our '**Pastoral Care Fund**'. This year we have been able to send more than 10 students to camp and support many more to participate in the extra activities like Fundamentals and Swim Week not to mention; lunches, uniforms and sport.

Education is essentially free in New Zealand however we as a community unanimously decided in 2019 to keep the above extra activities for children because we thought they added value. We **COULD NOT** do these as a school without our families supporting them.

A huge thank you to you as a community for creating an **inclusive** culture at Witherlea so that NO child misses out.

"Ararangi - Pathway to the Sky"

Empowering all learners to reach their potential in an innovative community

Term Events

Term 3

Week Three

Monday 3rd August - Friday 7th August

Monday 3rd August - Wednesday 5th August
Parent Teacher Interviews: 3:20pm-5pm each day

Week Four

Monday 10th August - Friday 14th August

Kowhai Swim Week (Yr 3 & 4) @Stadium 2000

Monday 10th August
School Photos

Tuesday 11th August
Marlborough Schools Cross Country

Week Five

Monday 17th August - Friday 21st August

Monday 17th - Tuesday 18th August
Hub 3 Fundamentals @Stadium 2000

Tuesday 18th August
TRU Rippa Rugby Tournament (Year 5-6)

Wednesday 19th-Friday 21st August
Uenuku Hub Fundamentals @ Stadium 2000

Week Six

Monday 24th August - Friday 28th August

Monday 24th
Road Patrol Training with Constable Readie

Board of Trustees August Meeting
5:30pm in the Library

Wednesday 26th - Thursday 27th August
Kowhai Team Trip to Omaka Aviation Centre

Friday 28th August
Daffodil Day: Yellow, Green or Orange Dress Up
(Gold Coin Donation)

Saturday 29th August
Pop Up Shop and Cafe in the School Hall

Week Seven

Monday 31st August - Friday 4th September

Thursday 3rd September
Playhouse Theatre Performance

Friday 4th August
Teachers Only Day: **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Week Eight

Monday 7th September - Friday 11th September

Tuesday 8th September - Friday 11th September
Teapot Valley Camp: Tane Mahuta Hub
Room 8, 9 and 20

Healthy Smiles

Brush with fluoride toothpaste for 2 minutes twice a day

UNDER 6 YEARS: USE A SMEAR OF TOOTHPASTE

OVER 6 YEARS: USE A PEA-SIZED AMOUNT

Spit but don't rinse

Hockey

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COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH SERVICE
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TE WAIWAIWA
Nelson Marlborough
Health

The Witherlea School Closet Room Pop Up Shop!



Saturday 29th August

Witherlea School Hall
Upper Weld Street
10am - 2pm

Coffee & Cake Available!

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Fair

SHOUT OUTS

Congratulations to these students for living our school MOTTO

Hub 1: Ferns, Room 3 and 4
Will D, Hamish H, Bailey B

Hub 2: Room 6 and 7
Amelie M, Ollie S

Hub 3: Room 11 and 12
Charlotte V, Elliot LQ

Hub 4: Room 15, 16 and 17
Charlotte H, Joshua A, Connor D

Uenuku and Tane Mahuta Hubs
Room 18, 19, 20, 8 and 9
Taylah S, Tom H, Shanaya M, Sophie P, George G

Early Words Programme

Congratulations to these students for completing their Early Words;

Lily B, Sophie C, Emily G, Alasdair G, Xaver H, Tayla K, Lucy M, Charlie M, Lucas M, Harriet M, Lachlan P, Georgina T, Fran T, Zene W

GIRLS LEARNING ABOUT THE WORLD AND THEIR PLACE IN IT

– PIPPINS (5 - 6 YEARS)

Pippins work together to take on new challenges, from baking to kite making, to learn new things about themselves, other people and the environment.

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Junior Badminton

Junior Badminton is starting for Term 3 at St Mary's Hall, cnr Hodson & Francis Streets.

Come along to learn about badminton and have fun

- Mondays from 5.30pm-7pm
- \$5 a night
- Please wear non-marking shoes
- bring a drink bottle

For more info phone: Anna or Mike 579-1954 or see our website at this [LINK](#) or through the website below;

www.sporty.co.nz/blenheimbadminton

Proud Netballers

Witherlea Pukeko and Witherlea Piwakawaka are our Saturday Netball teams this year. They are representing our school with pride, fairplay and always trying their best. Thank you to our volunteer coaches, Ms Brinson and Mrs Straker - without whom the girls would be unable to play.



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

Making the case for wellbeing

The what, why and how of wellbeing science

Lessons from academia and life with resilience expert

Dr Lucy Hone

with guest speaker George Glover

Wed 2nd September

5:00 - 8:00pm

ASB Theatre
Marlborough



Teachers just LOVE supporting all students even if it is their day off - Above: Mrs Holmes watching over her fence.



Congratulations to all our runners for their efforts; above - Catherine D 1st for the last 3 years in her age group and RJ for completing his first race.



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