

# WITHERLEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Monday 23rd September 2019

Term 3 Week 10: 2019



## Principal's Message

**Kia ora koutou Witherlea whanau,**

We have made it to the last week of term and we are so proud of ALL our learners, the effort and perseverance as they all progress on their individual learning journeys. Last week Mr Funnell, Mr Holmes and Ms Harnett spent the week with the Hubs releasing teachers to plan for an exciting Term 4. We played games, learnt new songs - in different languages and challenged the children through a day of discovery. Every Hub was different and each have their own bit of magic. What a wonderful experience - see photo's of the Harnett Handball World Cup and the Year 4 winning team.

The Year 6 students had an amazing camp and parent and student feedback has been immensely positive. Thanks to Ms Stone, Miss Zydenbos and all the parent volunteers who made it possible.

The highlight for the term will be happening Thursday night at the Stadium as we celebrate the end of term together and see all the hard 'mahi that the students and teachers have put into the Dance Festival for 2019. Please be aware that the Stadium is charging us a lot more this year due to the earthquake upgrades that have occurred so the 'GOLD COIN entry fee per adult is essential for us to break even.

The Ministry has confirmed that Budget Plus funding is in and Witherlea School will be upgraded to a 'new' Heating and Electrical system with specialised air conditioning in all classes by the beginning of 2020. With this, the Ferns Room will be modified to standard, the Fire Alarm system will be upgraded and the Boiler will be taken out and the Boiler House modified. Please see the important Health and safety notice regarding Asbestos.

It is all go at the base of the Wither Hills and we wish you a safe and happy holiday break with your splendid children!

**Ngā manaakitanga,  
Andrea Harnett - Tumuaiki**

## Welcome to School

Certificates handed out at Assembly 12:30pm Fridays

**Year 3 Kowhai Team**

**Room 12  
Ravi Leal**

**Year 0-2 Punga Team**

**Ferns Room  
Robert Banyay-Rocas**

## DANCE FESTIVAL NOTICE

**The Witherlea School Dance Festival,  
"Planet Earth and Beyond" is nearly here!**

Children need to be at the stadium by **6.10pm on Thursday**. They should go straight to their class teacher, who will sign them in on a class list. Their teacher will be responsible for them for the whole of the show and they will stay with their class, until all the items are finished. The doors will also be open to spectators at 6.10pm.

We are requesting a **gold coin donation** from each adult spectator, to help us meet the increased cost of hiring the stadium due to earthquake strengthening. Your support with this is greatly appreciated.

Sensible, soft-soled shoes are a must for children and parents please.

**After the show the children must stay with their teacher, until their parent/caregiver collects them and they are signed off the roll.**

We know this process can take a while but please be patient; it is essential that we know that every child has left the stadium with their parent or caregiver.

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

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

# Term Events

## Term Three

### Week 10

**TEACHERS ONLY DAY THIS TERM**  
**WEEK 10: MONDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER**  
**SCHOOL CLOSED FOR THE DAY**  
*'Time for the teachers to learn'*

**Thursday 26th September**  
Dance Festival: Stadium

**Friday 27th September**  
12.30pm Certificate Assembly, Sports & Service Awards  
**Last Day of Term 3**

## Term Four

### Week 1

**Monday 14th October**  
First Day of Term 4

**Thursday 17th October**  
NZ Shake Out; Earthquake Drill

**Thursday 17th October**  
*'Coffee with the Principal': 8:30am*

### Week 2

**Tuesday 22nd October**  
Taiopenga: Clubs of Marlborough - Kapa Haka

**Tuesday 22nd October - Wednesday 23rd October**  
Kowhai Safe Kids

**Thursday 24th October**  
Full School Athletics Day  
*NO 'Coffee with the Principal'*

**Friday 25th October**  
12.30pm Assembly: Hub 5

### Week 3

**Monday 28th October**  
**Labour Day Holiday: School CLOSED**

**Wednesday 30th October**  
Marlborough Tennis Tournament: Interschool Event

**Thursday 31st October**  
*'Coffee with the Principal': 8:30am*

### Week 4

**Monday 4th November**  
**Marlborough Anniversary Day: School CLOSED**

**Tuesday 5th November - Friday 8th November**  
Year 5 Mistletoe Bay Camp: Room 19 + 20

BOT Meeting 5:30pm -School Library

**School Book Fair ALL Week: In our Library**

**Friday 8th November**  
12.30pm Assembly: Hub 3 & 4

### Week 5

**Tuesday 12th November - Friday 15th November**  
Year 5 Mistletoe Bay Camp: Room 18 + 20

### Week 6

**Monday 18th November**  
**Term 4 Teachers Only Day: School CLOSED**

**Thursday 21st November**  
*'Coffee with the Principal': 8:30am*

**Friday 22nd November**  
12.30pm Assembly: Hub 1 & 2

### Week 7

**Monday 25th November - Friday 29th November**  
Year 4 Pine Valley Camp: Rooms 15 & 17

**Thursday 30th November**  
*'Coffee with the Principal': 8:30am*

## Major Property Upgrade Message

Scott's Construction will take charge of all sub-contractors and Health and Safety during the Heating and Electrical Upgrade. Please read and follow all signs and messages to keep our community safe.

### Asbestos

The work on the Boiler House will commence at the beginning of the school holidays which means that a specialist company will be sectioning off the upper carpark and we ask the community to stay well clear of the school.

### Ferns Room and Caretakers Shed

The work on the Ferns Room will start in the upcoming school holidays and Scott's Construction will have it fenced off for the duration. They will be based near our Caretaker's Shed so this will be an absolute 'NO GO ZONE'

### ALL Classrooms

All classrooms will be affected throughout Term 4 as the radiators come out and the air conditioning goes in. Hub Leaders and classroom teachers will keep you informed of where they will be throughout the term.

### Thanks for Making this Happen

Peter Crowe and Khalid Suleiman who look after property on our board have been instrumental in making this happen for us which is going to create controlled air and ventilation for our classrooms through HOT summers and COLD winters.

While construction in a school can be very disruptive, we are looking forward to the advantages of what this property work will bring.

The 2020 Gala funds will help support getting this property upgrade over the line with; heating, cooling, electrical, boiler house reconfiguration, fire alarm upgrade, the 'new' modern Ferns Room with a creativity zone for cooking, Science and Art.

## Enrolment Notice

Schools are beginning to organise what the following year may look like for 2020 in terms of classes and teachers so roll size is an essential element.

We ask that if your child is leaving at the end of the year, for any reason, contact is made with the school to inform them

Conversely, if you have a child that may be enrolling, please either drop in or phone the office as a pre-enrolment so we are aware of how many students will be entering in 2020.

You are welcome to also pass this to your friends who may not be aware.

## Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate \$500 to your chosen participating school. Visit [asb.co.nz/schoolbanking](https://www.asb.co.nz/schoolbanking) for full details. **ASB**

Lending criteria and terms apply to home loans. Fees may apply. Eligibility criteria: documentation of the facility agreement must be done by 30 June 2019; mention of this promotion must take place during the home loan application process to ensure eligibility. Only applicable to loans which are secured by residential owner-occupied property with a minimum of 20% equity required; excludes lending through brokers; Limited to one donation per customer. Donation will be made to chosen school on complete draw down of the home loan. For full eligibility criteria, exclusions and further details see <https://www.asb.co.nz/promotions/supporting-success-in-your-school.html>

# Merit Certificate Awards

At our last assembly, Certificates of Merit were awarded to:

## Cole Adriatico

Your progress in all areas of your learning is outstanding, you have showed resilience and perseverance and it has paid off.  
Kia Maia

## Matteo Clarson

Displaying great effort and enthusiasm with your Science Celebration project. It was clear that you were very passionate about it!

## George Gorman

Well done George, you should be proud of your Science Celebration project. You displayed excellent knowledge of your topic.

## Austin Handisides

Your curious and hands on approach to your learning. You are always putting up your hand to share new ideas. Ka Pai Austin!

## Tom Heagney

For discovering that mistakes are all part of learning and accepting them with a smile.

## Chloe Johnstone

You have been making BIG learning steps in your Maths and this is because you work with effort in every lesson, you talk about your learning and you are not afraid to make mistakes.  
Ka pai!

## Fletcher Jones

It is so wonderful to see your positive attitude growing stronger every day. You are tackling hard challenges with a big smile on your face and this is awesome! Ka pai Fletcher!

## Niamh Jordan

For an outstanding improvement in all areas of learning, and for developing such a positive, can do, give it a go attitude!  
You are amazing!

## Sophie Meys

Achieving her personal best towards her writing goal! You have shown resilience, Sophie!

## Henry Morrow

For completing early words and being a superstar reader in the Ferns Room. Ka Pai Henry!

## Jock Murphy

Your positive and enthusiastic attitude towards science. You are a great problem solver and are always curious when exploring new ideas.

## Lily Parker

Your writing is so captivating. It's a delight getting caught up in one of your exciting stories. Ka pai e hoa

## Lily Sampson

For improving both quality and quantity of her exciting writing! Ka pai!

## Connor Winitana

For stepping up and sharing his fantastic ideas with the class.  
Kia kaha, Connor!

# Early Words Programme

Congratulations to these students for completing their Early Words;

Cairo Suleiman, Victor Hill, Lydia Parker,

Ollie Shannon

# LITTLE RED FOX HUB



**BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE**  
INCLUDES BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTERNOON TEA  
\$12.50 PER SESSION

**HOLIDAY CARE \$40 PER DAY**

INCLUDES MORNING and AFTERNOON TEA  
8AM-5PM OR \$5 AN HOUR

[WWW.LITTLEREDFOXHUB.CO.NZ](http://WWW.LITTLEREDFOXHUB.CO.NZ)  
03 579 1150

**OSCAR 4 Kids**  
SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES  
30th September – 11th October

**OMAKA MUSEUM**  
**THE MOVIES**  
**SWIMMING POOLS**  
**EMERGENCY SERVICES**  
**WHEELS DAY**  
**THE TALENT SHOW**  
**SKATE PARK VISITS**  
**BAKING & ART**

Blenheim: 8am-5.30pm | Ages 6-9  
Pederwooddown: 8am - 5.30pm | Ages 6-10  
Woodbourne: 7.15am - 5.30pm | Ages 5-13

For more information call Marie Kelle on 03 579 1150 or 03 579 1151.  
[oscar@littleredfox.org.nz](mailto:oscar@littleredfox.org.nz)

MSP Approved. Meet & Incentive NZ OSCAR Activity awarded to our club with funding for our afternoon tea program.



**School Holiday Programme**  
30<sup>th</sup> September – 11<sup>th</sup> October

We are a sports based holiday programme.  
Some of the activities we offer include:

- Indoor Netball / Cricket & Soccer
- Dodgeball
- Badminton
- Pickleball
- Table Tennis
- Fun games
- Ten Pin Bowling

Full Day (8.30-4pm) \$35.00  
Hourly Rate \$5.00

Register Online at [www.blenheimindoorsports.co.nz](http://www.blenheimindoorsports.co.nz) or  
Contact us on: 035784851 or 0275784851 or  
[info@blenheimindoorsports.co.nz](mailto:info@blenheimindoorsports.co.nz)

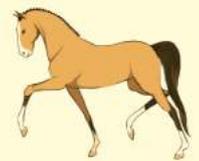


## Holiday Riding Programme

Dates: 7, 8 and 9 October  
Time: 9.30am – 12.00pm (bring along your morning tea and a water bottle!)  
Ages: 6 years and over

Price: \$70.00 per day per child (book for one day or all three!)  
All proceeds go directly to supporting the Marlborough Riding for the Disabled

Contact: Marlborough Riding for the Disabled  
(03) 578 3051 or [marl\\_rda@kwa.co.nz](mailto:marl_rda@kwa.co.nz)



# The Harmonic Minors & Marlborough Friends

Upbeat Development Orchestra  
Marlborough Girls' College Crescentia Choir  
Pam Logan's Theatre Performers

&  
Other talented Marlborough Youth Solo & Ensemble Performers

**2.30pm Saturday 28 September**

Wesley Centre, 3 Henry St, Blenheim

Adults \$10

Seniors/Students/Children \$5

Family 2 adults and up to 3 Children \$25

Book early to avoid queues  
Tickets available online or at the door

[majorminors.instantencore.com](http://majorminors.instantencore.com) or [creativekids.org.nz](http://creativekids.org.nz)



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



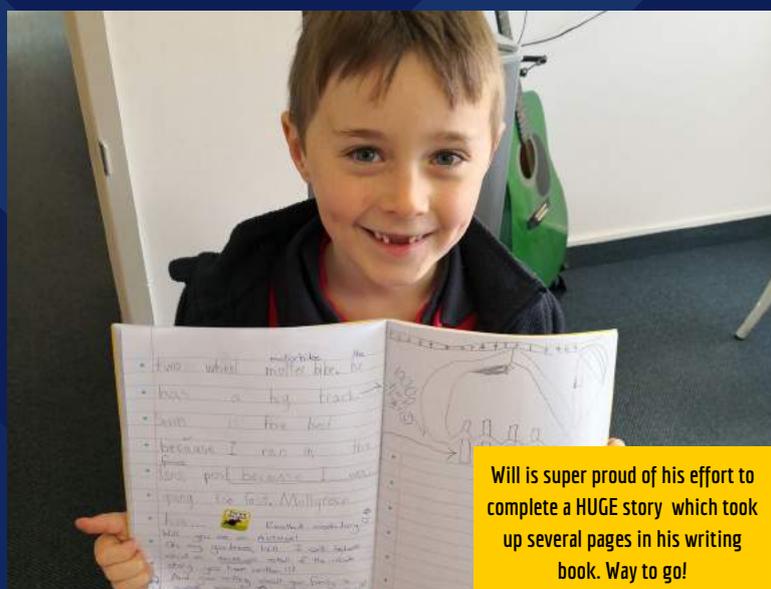
Thanks to Harcourts for sponsoring the Graeme Ingle Foundation through the Music Festival. \$3000 was presented at the combined practice.



Our wonderful Ferns sharing their collaborative Artwork during Pataitai - Play Based Learning.



Room 16 takes out the Harnett Handball World Cup during Hub Planning week. Congratulations!



Will is super proud of his effort to complete a HUGE story which took up several pages in his writing book. Way to go!



What a wonderful night at the ASB Theatre for our Choir who had the opportunity to sing with Suzanne Prentice. We are all so proud of your hard work.

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