

Inspiring a love of learning through an education that values the development of the whole child

17 May 2022

Week 3, Term 2

Kia ora koutou



Birthdays this week: – Happy birthday to Orla and Nathaniel. Ra whānau ki a koe!
(Weekend birthdays will now go in the following week)

Assembly - Our hui messages were as follows:

Messages from Kaiako:

Sacha thanked the seniors who offered to help with cross country and arranged a time to meet with them.



Messages from Akonga: Tumanako – Anna Dixon encouraged other students to participate in this year's Tumanako Peace Art. Children 8 to 18-years-old are invited to create a work of art for a peaceful world. This year's theme is based on a Whakataukī / Māori Proverb: *Kōtahi te kākano whakaaro, he nui ngā hua o te rākau houhou rongō* - *One seed of thought grows the forest of peace*

Messages from Mātua Clifford

Safety:

- Stick to the course set out for cross country
- Do not take rocks from other areas of the school and play with them elsewhere

Pink Shirt Day – Friday 20th May. Matua Clifford spoke about Pink Shirt Day, the anti-bullying message and the poster that asks if you are an upstander or a bystander. He encouraged teachers to talk about this more in their classes. Senior student committee members will collect donated funds (for the Mental Health Foundation) from classes on Friday. If you don't have a pink shirt you can wear anything that is pink, use pink face paint or make a pink badge out of paper.

World Vision – Catherine Hope will facilitate the world vision fundraising again this year. The focus is on providing water to areas in the world that need it.



School Cross Country - The school cross country is tomorrow starting at 1pm until 2.30pm. All whānau are welcome to attend and can watch from the school field or the veranda of the hall. Please be aware that the cross country track is around the school so it would be appreciated if whānau attending could come for 1pm and stay until all the races are finished. If you need to leave early (or come late) please be mindful of runners and give way to them as there is no way to reach the field without crossing the running track. Please do not use the pathway in front of the office during the races. *(Sacha)*

Teachers' Professional Learning Development - Every year teachers undertake professional learning development (PLD).

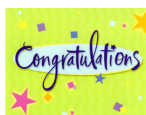


The Maori Immersion Strand kaiako have undertaken professional learning development in structured literacy, pāngarau and Te Reo Māori. Each of these areas involves external providers delivering quality PLD to upskill teachers in their delivery of te reo matatini (literacy), pāngarau (mathematics) and te reo.

The Te Reo Māori PLD is being undertaken by most teachers in the Montessori and Original strands as well. This PLD is funded by the Ministry of Education and delivered at different levels depending on a teacher's proficiency. It involves a series of regular online workshops, weekly study and a few weekend workshops as well. The teachers are also undertaking particular professional development that meets their own needs in Montessori education, literacy, numeracy and learning support.

All teachers are involved in science development this year, which is being led by Sacha Fell who attended The Royal Society Science Leadership course last year. Science is a focus for review and upskilling.

Developing understanding of the new Histories Curriculum is a particular focus for Principal PLD this year. Te Marautanga o Aotearoa is also being refreshed and updated and is therefore another area of leadership professional development for the Principal and Māori Immersion strand leader.



Congratulations to our teacher aide, Jamie Flude, who is graduating today with a Master's in Educational Psychology.



Covid-19 - The school currently has 3 cases of Covid-19 and 1 child is isolating at home.



Parent/Teacher Conferences are in week 5 (Monday 30 May, Tues 31 May and Wednesday 1 June). These conferences offer an opportunity for teachers to discuss your child's progress. They are also about updating and clarifying expectations going forward.

This year we are trialling an online option as well as face-to-face. Our ability to have multiple screens involved is limited, therefore we would prefer to have most parents sharing a screen if they can. We will endeavour accommodate parents if that is not possible.

The booking website will hopefully be open on Wednesday; we just have a few more things to clarify. A email will be sent out once it is open for bookings. Please use the below link to book a time:

<http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/ezx8w>

Taonga Horomata – Virtues Taonga Horomata – Matua Clifford spoke with the children about Kindness/Ngākau atawhai, tying this into the pink shirt day messages and discernment tying this into the messages about safety.



Kindness – Ngākau Atawhai

Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment – *Benjamin Franklin*

Kindness is within our power, even when fondness is not – *Mark Twain*

He aroha whakatō, he aroha ka puta mai – (If kindness is sown then kindness is what you shall receive.)

Discernment – Matatau

He ika paewai anake hei tomo i roto i te hīnaki – (Nothing but eels enter my eel pot.)

“Discernment is the ability to see things for what they are and not for what you want them to be.”



Activity	Who's Involved	Date & Time	Cost
School Cross Country	Everyone	Wed 18 May	
Pink Shirt Day	Everyone	Fri 20 May	
Parent Interviews		Mon 30 May – Wed 1 June	

Have a great week everyone. A reminder that our next **Teacher Only Day is on Friday 3 June.**

Ngā mihi nui
Clifford

<p>2022 Term Dates Term 2: Mon 2 May – Fri 8 Jul Term 3: Mon 25 Jul – Fri 30 Sept Term 4: Mon 17 Oct – Wed 14 Dec Teacher Only Days: Fri 3 June, Fri 19 Aug</p>



Pride Lands Fun Holiday Adventures. Summer Holidays At Western Suburbs Rugby Club (Wilton) And Southern Suburbs Swis (Berhampore). 11th – 22nd JULY 2022 from 7.00am-6pm daily. Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games, Cooking, Fitness, and Life Skills Programme creating healthy Breakfast, Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon Teas. One-on-one care and shuttle services available. Daily \$81.04/cub per session or \$137.77 for two siblings per session; Weekly: \$324.16 per cub/week or \$551.07 for two siblings/week. MSD Approved & WINZ subsidies are available for eligible families. **Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: www.PRIDELANDS.co.nz or Visit our Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare**



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