# Chelsea School Newsletter

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### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Wed 18 Nov Y3-Y6 Athletics – Rain Day

Thu 19 Nov: Interschool Swimming – at Millennium Pools

Albany - 9.30am start

• Fri 20 Nov: Kapa Haka at Kauri Park School - All day

(Chelsea performance approx. 12.45pm)

Wed 25 Nov: Interschool Athletics at Birkenhead

Memorial Park - All day - 9.30am start

Fri 27 Nov: Powhiri for all new Families 9am in the Hall

Wed 02 Dec: Board of Trustees Election Day
 Fri 04 Dec: Y6 Monitors – Rainbows End Trip

Mon 07 Dec: Board of Trustees Meeting-7pm in Staffroom

• Tue 08 Dec: Board of Trustees Election - Count and

**Declare Votes** 

Wed 09 Dec: Board of Trustees Takes Office
 Wed 09 Dec: Sports Prizegiving 1.30pm in Hall

Thu 10 Dec: Xmas Carols 5-7pm
Mon 14 Dec: Picnic Day – All day

Tue 15 Dec: Junior Prizegiving 9.30am
Wed 16 Dec: Senior Prizegiving 10.30am

• Wed 16 Dec: End of School Year - School Closes

12.30pm

Wed 03 Feb: Beginning of School Year

Thu 01 Apr: Teacher Only Day Term 1, 2021
 Fri 04 Jun: Teacher Only Day Term 2, 2021
 Fri 27 Aug: Teacher Only Day Term 3, 2021

Kia ora whānau

What a joy it has been to see our kids taking part in so many community events over the past couple of weeks. Kids for Kids was a lovely evening out, and so was the APPA Choir!



Our Student Council and Play Watch had the opportunity to attend Young Leader's Day last week and came back buzzing after listening to some very inspirational speakers. These speakers included William Pike, Riley Hathaway and Stan Walker. Two of our learners had the opportunity to get involved by asking the speakers some questions. What a great day out!



It was great to see so many of our whānau supporting our little ones at the Y0-2 Athletics day on Friday as they ran, jumped and celebrated their hearts out.



We have a few more events coming up this week, with Senior Athletics (Wednesday), Interschool Swimming that was postponed earlier in the year (Thursday) and our Kapa Haka Festival at Kauri Park School on Friday. I know many of the staff are taking a deep breath before this line-up of events begins, but we are also very grateful that our kids are able to get out there and celebrate their gifts and talents.

#### What do we Value?



## **Growing Great Learners**

# Te Whakatipu Akonga Miharo

We are very excited to begin our work to embed our values with our learners and community. The four values that have emerged from our consultation with whanau, learners and staff are:

# Whanaungatanga Ako Kaitiakitanga Manaakitanga

We are currently planning how best to launch these values with our learners at the beginning of 2021. There will be explicit teaching and modelling of what each value looks like in action.

In this newsletter, we will take a closer look at Whanaugatanga and Ako.

Whanaungatanga is all about connection, kinship and whānau. A big part of this value is knowing each other; our beliefs, our passions, things we find tricky, aspirations and dreams. The epitome of this value in action is to feel a strong sense of belonging and to be celebrated for who we are and what we stand for.

AKO is underpinned by the concept of learning from each other. We all have knowledge that is shaped by our passions, experiences and beliefs. We believe that learners have a lot to offer in the classroom and beyond and that together, adults and children can strengthen each other's knowledge and understanding in a range of ways.

### **Hero Learning Stories**

It has been an absolute joy to read the learning stories that are being written about our learners. There are so many opportunities to celebrate learning, progress and achievement and I am loving the fact that we are now 'real-time reporting'. Real-time reporting means that whanau can be having conversations with children about recent learning and also current goals/next steps. The way that our teachers know their learners is incredibly clear when reading through the learning stories that are being published.



If you haven't accessed your child's learning stories, please read through the link below or talk to your child's teacher and they can walk you through it.

Hero 'How to' Guide

If you are yet to download the Hero App, you can use the QR code here to assist.

You can now leave a comment on your child's learning stories. This is a great way to celebrate your child's learning.

### **Teacher Only Days for 2021**

As part of the Collective Agreement for Primary Teachers and Principals, schools have been awarded 8 Teacher Only Days to use before 2022. These are designed to address professional learning, growth and teacher workload. We had originally scheduled two ToDs for 2020, but with the disruptive year we've had, we decided to use only one.

Next year, we have 3 ToDs planned. They are as follows:

- Term 1: Thursday 1st April (the Thursday before Easter Weekend)
- Term 2: Friday 4th June (the Friday before Queen's Birthday Weekend)
- Term 3: Friday 27th August (mid Term 3)

### **Building progress**

Stage 2 of our Refurbishment Project is approaching completion, and we are all very excited!

Spaces 5, 6, the ESOL room, breakout space (old cloak bay) and the attached toilet block make up this stage. It is looking amazing in there! Fresh paint, new wall coverings, carpet and completely gutted toilet blocks. The biggest change is the opening up of the old cloak bay into a 'breakout' space that can be used for learning.

Space 5 & 6 learners are going to be remaining in the library and LHQ for the rest of the year, as Māhuri Team are moving into Spaces 1-4 for 2021. The kids are quite happy and settled learning in their temporary spaces, so to save a double move, it made more sense to leave them where they are until the end of the year.

Space 1 & 2 learners (as well as Mr Cropp and Mrs Cross) will be moving into Spaces 5 & 6 next week after we have passed our council inspection.

#### **DNA Awards**

Congratulations to our DNA winners!

We have struggled to fit assemblies into a very crowded term. DNA certificates are being awarded and celebrated at the end of our Jump Jam sessions for the remainder of the year.

Space	Name	DNA type	Space	Name	DNA type
1	Charlotte	Persevering	10	Finn	Up for a Challenge
2	Emilia	Engaged	11	Ethan	Engaged
3	Cato	Engaged	12	Phoebe	Communicator
4	Dylan	Engaged	13	Christine	Persevering
5	Lucas	Up for a Challenge	14	Pedro	Persevering
6	Ethan	Engaged	15	Mackenzie	Collaborator
7	Natarn	Up for a Challenge	16	Fyfe	Curious
8	Nana	Up for a Challenge	17	Lucas	Communicator
9	Annan	Engaged	Other ESOL, Playground etc	Rebecca Peyton	Up for a Challenge Communicator



### **Community Notices**





