



WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL



14th March 2018

Tena Koutou Katoa
Nga Mihi Mahana - (greetings)

NEW STUDENT

I would like to welcome Lilli Cadogon to Centennial School. Lilli has four brothers and a sister and she comes to us from Waihao Downs school. Lilli has already settled into Pukeko class and is enjoying the way the classes work in the Junior School. "Mum and Dad have important jobs to do and one of them is to bring me to school," Lilli informs me.

We wish you all the best at Centennial

MATHS PROBLEM

Grandpa has five pockets in his jacket.

In one pocket he has one chocolate. In another pocket he has two chocolates. In another he has four chocolates. In yet another he has double that many and in the fifth pocket he has double that many again.

How many chocolates does Grandpa have in his jacket?

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS SCHOOL FAIR

In this last newsletter before the fair I will include a section that keeps you up to date with what has happened and what you can do to help support the school fair. This year's fair is on Saturday the 17th March. It will begin at 4pm and conclude at 6pm. During this time there are stalls and games for the whole family to enjoy. We are looking for items for the Grocery raffle and these can be dropped off at school at any time. We are still looking for helpers. On the day there are many jobs and stalls that require managing. If you can help please fill in the form that has come home or contact the school to offer your assistance.

I am looking forward to seeing you all there and I'm sure it will be a fantastic day out.

INNOVATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT UPDATE

This week Kakapo and Piwakawaka classes continue their innovative learning journey when they introduced "play based learning". One of the two classes has become a quiet space during this part of the day. Two teachers will operate in here teaching groups and individuals. In the other space a series of activities are set up where the students complete play based learning activities that have a purpose and outcomes. Students operate in groups of three and are supervised as they work/play together. There is a real buzz in these classrooms. It is the noise of productive, happy students going about their learning in a supportive environment. Well done Kakapo and Piwakawaka classes.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Thank you to those of you who have given us your e-mail addresses. Anyone new to the school please consider letting us contact you via e-mail as this saves a lot of time and expense.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- School Fair 17th March, 4pm
- Duffy Theatre 26th March
- Good Friday 30th March
- Easter Monday and Tuesday school holidays 2nd - 3rd April



EOTC

Our annual Education Outside the Classroom Week is over for another year and what a success it has been. I know from my own experience that outdoor education plays an important part in the development of well rounded students. Students have been involved in a wide range of activities that have taken them out of their classes and the school. Our Junior and Middle School students have slept over at school for a night. I hear that with sleep talkers and walkers it was an interesting night. I have seen photos of the trip to the Events Centre to use the climbing wall and the inline skating area. It certainly looked like everyone was having a great time while they learned new skills. Other classes went to a stream to learn about their environment and I can see you have learned a lot about fresh-water. Our year 6 group went off the Arthur's Pass last Monday and they have once again had a wonderful week long adventure in the outdoors. Tramping, building bivouacs, rescuing each other and river crossing were just a few of the activities they participated in.

I have spoken to parents who were involved with this really important Centennial week and they have spoken about the following points. Teachers have done an amazing job of creating learning experiences that stimulate and motivate our students. The amount of extra work that has gone into putting this week together is obvious. Teachers have taken the time to make sure activities challenged students and sometimes placed them outside their normal comfort levels. Adequate safety precautions and risk management has been planned and carried through and finally parents have spoken about how happy students have been undertaking these alternative learning experiences. There have been many comments from students at the end of each day about how much fun each activity was

It is important to note that these activities are provided to create a variety of learning opportunities. Teachers are catering for a range of learning styles. They are also trying to provide opportunities for students who might not have already had these experiences.

The parents I have spoken to would all like to thank the teachers from Centennial school for the thinking, planning, organising and carrying out of Education Outside the Classroom week. Parents appreciate the extra effort put in and the joyful response from our students.



STANDING TALL

Respect for Self - Paige Constable, Arni-ka Tulett, Connie Cousau, Peyton Rempala, Dahara Tulett

Respect for Others - Connie Cousau, Zaydee Proudman, Peyton Rempala

Respect in all Areas - Charlie Clavey

Conscientious Worker - Ava Bell

Effort & Progress in Writing - Zac Proudfoot, Flyn Mehrtens, Mason Dyer

Effort & Progress in Swimming - Kieran de Wit, Tiffany Milne, Max Willock

Positive Attitude - Hernan Schaffer Quintana

Increased Independence - Phynn Matthews-Sisson

Presentation Skills - Willow Tulett

Using ICT - Blake Dyer, Madison Clapham

GOLD BAND WINNERS

Lucy Matheson, Scarlet Evered, Rua Taupo, Enya O'Donnell, Kourtney Constable, Leah Finn, Cody Swatridge, Jackson Evered, Connor Allen Medhurst, Ava Bell, Grace Bell, Owen Cawley, Regan Beazley, Cassidy Earnshaw, Kaden Miller, Alexa Morresey, Kayla Proudfoot, Liam Stewart, AJ Tupara-Burgess, Sam Matheson, Cooper Drummond, Zoe Smith, Summer Hogg, Diana Cherepanova, Kate Gillespie, Mason Keen, Emmett Knightly, Mayah Peters, Peyton Rempala, Ellie Tangney, Kaylee Timms-Dodge, Hernan Schaffer Quintana, Ace Binnie, Max Willock

WAIMATE JAB RUGBY

Registration Day Sunday 18th March 2018, Waimate Rugby Clubrooms, 1-2pm. All ages and grades up to Under 13 Subs for the 2018 season are \$40 per child. Any queries please contact Carmen Hurt 021-147 8242 or Blair Wilce 021-343 963

U11 Rugby Girls 2018

We are introducing JAB U11 grade for girls only. On the 28th of March we are hosting a "Have A Go Afternoon" At Alpine Energy Stadium, 4 - 5.30pm We have trained coaches from Rugby Clubs joining us to help with coaching, ensuring a safe controlled environment.

Maths Problem:

There are _____ chocolates in Grandpa's jacket pockets

Our family/whanau e-mail address is _____

Please Return: I have received and read this newsletter () (tick)

Family name _____

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