



WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL



30th March 2017

Hello everyone,

Nga Mihi Mahana
Warm greetings from Centennial

NEW STUDENT: Sivaya Bennett Green

We welcome Sivaya and her family to Centennial school. Sivaya tells me she has many friends here but Arnika, Raven and Lucas have been fun to be around while she settles in. Sivaya really enjoys the maths and writing and she tells me she enjoys the big playground that we have to run around in. We all hope you settle in quickly so you can continue your learning journey Sivaya.

SCHOOL FAIR

Once again the Fundraising & Social Team and our large group of volunteers have successfully managed the annual School Fair. The fair was the culmination of many meetings and months of organisation. On Saturday in between rain showers we managed to get the stalls and activities set up just in time. A good sized crowd were waiting outside the hall to get into the White Elephant stall and another outside the toys and baking areas. As the afternoon progressed the dunking machine, built especially for this event by the Paul family proved to be great entertainment, that was, as long as you were not sitting under the bucket of cold water. The puppies and fire engine rides had lines of people waiting to participate all afternoon. As always the chocolate wheel was humming throughout. We had a mix of Centennial families and supportive Waimate people who came along to see what we had to entertain them and perhaps take home a bargain.

The FAST brief is to provide opportunities for the community to get together and to raise funds that complement the programmes we offer. On Saturday we were successful in having our community come along to school. I am grateful that we have such a positive group of people bringing the community together in this way.

As a result of the fair, extra projects can be accomplished. The new playground built late 2015 is an example of this. Funds also go to supporting teaching and learning here more directly as well. Last year FAST helped finance the extra teacher and indirectly smaller class sizes.

Thanks to the FAST for their dedication and the time they gave unselfishly leading up to the fair. Many thanks for the donation of goods that our sponsors from the community provided. Thank you to the Whanau/families who contributed your treasures and brought along your baking to sell. It is our intention to write to our sponsors and thank them personally for their donations and financial assistance in running the fair.

FAIR COLOURING COMPETITION RESULTS

Winners for 0-5

- 1st Joel Roberts, Centennial
- 2nd Ella Stringer, Waimate Childcare
- 3rd Mackenzie Thompson, John Street Kindy

Winners 5-7

- 1st Mylee McMaster Wright, Waimate Childcare
- 2nd Emily Anderson, Centennial
- 3rd Charlotte Carter, Main

Winners 8-11

- 1st Enya O'Donnell, Centennial
- 2nd Isabella, Waituna
- 3rd Layni McMaster Wright, Main



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Superhero Mufti Day 7th April, proceeds go to St John's appeal and the money comes back to the Waimate district.
- Home and School Lunch 13th April, notice home Monday to be back by Friday next week.
- Term 1 finishes - 13th April
- Term 2 begins - 1st May



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

One of the most important features of a successful education programme is the involvement that family whanau have. Where schools have engaged families that are comfortable with being involved in learning achievement is likely to be significantly better. From now on this section of the newsletter will outline how we can work more closely with the Centennial community.

1. I am aware that many people are using the internet eg. through facebook for many of their interactions. I understand that some people are happy to receive information from schools and to respond through this format. I will be trialing sending you information that will include surveys or questions. If you choose to respond to these please send the reply through messages marked private message (PM). I am also interested in any other way that you would prefer to have information sent out that would encourage you to give us your opinion. If you know of any other medium our community is using let me know and we will try to incorporate it into our communications.
2. Next term we are planning two meetings with you. One is about the health curriculum and the way we deliver it. The second is about getting you to help us develop an ICT vision for Centennial School. The Health consultation will be week three and we will feed you and your family here at school before the meeting. The ICT meeting will be before assembly from week three. There will be three possible meetings you could attend. I will invite you to attend one of these sessions. We require help to set up both the health curriculum and the direction we are taking with ICT for the next three years. I am looking forward to working with you all on these areas next term.
3. **READING TOGETHER**
As part of connecting educational communities we began the Junior School Reading Together programme last week. This was held at the town library and was attended by families from Centennial, Waituna Creek and Main school. This programme is about teaching parents to use appropriate strategies to help young students enjoy their reading. The second session is this week and parents will be using their new skills to read with their own children

READING CHALLENGE

Waimate Centennial school is participating in the HELL Reading Challenge, which is being run in conjunction with the 2017 New Zealand Book Awards for Children and Young Adults. The HELL Reading Challenge is a highly successful programme that gets kids reading and enjoying the pleasures of stories with free pizza rewards. How the HELL Reading Challenge works: Children are being given "pizza wheels". Every time they finish a book, the wheel gets clicked off and signed by a teacher or librarian. When they have finished seven books, they can take their completed pizza wheel to any HELL store and redeem it for a free 333 Kids' Pizza. This promotion runs until the beginning of December. Last year when it was run we had many positive comments from whanau who took advantage of the opportunity.

Board of Trustee survey on "How we celebrate Achievement and Success at Centennial School. Thank you to those who have returned the forms about celebrating achievement. I have attached it again to request some more of you to fill it in please.

Whakatauki

Ko ia Kahore nei rapu, te kitea

"He who does not seek shall not find"

The Wizard of Oz, to be staged at the Waimate Regent Theatre.

For more information keep reading the Waimate News and Views and the Waimate Theatre Company Facebook page. This show is not to be missed, so put these dates in your diary: May 19 (Gala Opening—Black tie and character costume) 6.45pm, 20/21 May 2pm Matinee, May 26/27 evening show at 7.30pm.

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

Family name _____

STANDING TALL

Respect for Self - Fabian Knipe, Jacob Harrison, Millie Cherry, Mackenzie Paul, Keira Mehrtens, Abby Swatridge, Jasmine de Waal, Oliver Lienert, Mackenzie Young, Amy Wilson

Respect for Others - Jacob Booth, Maddison Matthews, Jacob Harrison, Mackenzie Young, Amy Wilson, Abby Swatridge, Briar Craig, Mackenzie Paul

Respect for Property - Abby Swatridge, Mackenzie Young

Respect for Environment - Abby Swatridge, Mackenzie Young

Caring/Considerate Class Member - Mariska-Shai Loye

Effort & Progress in Writing - Charlie Clavey, Hunter Guyton, Eli Taupo, Enya O'Donnell, Cody Swatridge, Sophie Herbert, Hunter Cooper, Fergus Lane, Brooke Proudfoot, Alexa Morresey

Effort & Progress in Maths - Chloe Ashdown, Tia Johansen, Keira Mitchell

Settling Well into Ruma Kiwi - Aaliyah Taigiaia

Good Choices in Class - Mason Keen

Perseverance - Leah Finn

Positive Attitude - Regan Rempala

Conscientious Worker - Micah Roberts, Felicity Hutt

Active Class Participants - Georgia Soper, Tate Hargreaves

Presentation Skills - Harriett McLaughlin, Regan Beazley, Dylan Lefeber

Farewell - Zavier Paul, Mackenzie Paul, Zane Curtis

GOLD BAND WINNERS
Mere Timblich-Paroa, Georgia Soper, Elie Craig, Paige Constable, Jo Coyle, Jayla Davis, Arnyka Jamieson-Smith, Oliver Lienert, Lucy Matheson, Maddison Matthews, Alexa Morresey, Hana Reihana, Jason Waugh, Willow Tulett-Williams, Isaac McLaughlin, Keira Mitchell, Chris Don, Regan Rempala, George Clavey, Davan Huwes, Lloyd Mawdsley, Harriett McLaughlin, Ben Morresey, Murphy Page, Che-Cruz Reihana, Emily Anderson, Charlotte Garland, Isabella Lightfoot, Thomas Pali, Joel Roberts, Arni-ka Tulett, Brooke Proudfoot, Milla McKenzie, Kieran deWit, Lucas Farrell, Leah Finn, Lily Upston, Karawheko Ruru, Arleighta Bree, Hunter Cooper, Mason Dyer, Fergus Lane, KLeira Mehrtens, Annabelle Agnew, Macey-Kate Guyton, Millie Cherry, Enya O'Donnell, Grace Bell, Grace Herbert, Jack Waugh, Owen Cawley, Sasha Harrison, Zoe Wilson, William Nichol, Mackenzie Mehrtens, Cameron Lane, Abbi Hutt, Sophie Herbert, Kourtney Constable, Eli Taupo, Blake Dyer, Jackson Evered, Rachael Hodder, Aiden Morrison, Maddy Smith