



WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL



October 21st 2021

Tena Koutou Katoa
Nga Mihi Mahana- (Warm greetings)

Ki to kotahi te kākaho,
Ka whati; ki te kāpuia,
E kore e whati

If a reed stands alone, it can be
broken; if it's in a group, it cannot

MASK WEARING

The requirements have changed for Alert Level 2 for pick ups and drop-offs Advice from the Ministry is as follows

You may have noticed a change in Alert Level 2 guidance. It is advised that adults conducting student pick-ups and drop-offs should occur in an outdoor environment **where face coverings must be worn, and physical distancing measures retained.**

This does pertain to school sites and to Alert Level 2.

MASK WEARING ON BUSES

Ministry advice is as follows = **Students under 12** - Students aged under 12 **are not required** to wear face coverings on school transport. However, all students are **encouraged** to wear face coverings on school transport.

STAFF CHANGES

Kelly Smith - who has been team teaching in Weka with Mr Burt - finished at our school at the end of Term 3. Kelly has taken up a role of Year 7 teacher at Waimate High School. We have loved having Kelly working with us at Centennial and she will be missed. We wish her the best in her new role.

Tania Paul - who has been team teaching in Tui with Mrs Soper - will be changing roles for Term 4. Tania will be running our Transition to School class for us. Although the Tui's will miss her, we know she will be amazing in her new role.

We have appointed Kirstin Smith to our staff for Term 4 and she began on Monday. Kirstin will be working in Weka for 3 days and in Tui for 2 days each week.

SUNHATS

We ask that the children wear 'bucket style' sun hats in Term 4. The children can wear a school sunhat, which can be purchased from the office for \$15 or it can be their own named hat from home.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 25th -
Labour Day, School
closed

Athletics -
November 2nd pp
November 4th

**Production
Performances** -
(depending on levels)
Tuesday 9th
November
Wednesday 10th
November - Matinee
Thursday 11th
November - Evening
performance

School Pool opens -
November 15th

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Attached to the newsletter is a survey to gain some feedback around how Centennial is tracking. (Hard copy will come home today) We will use this feedback, along with staff, student and Board feedback, to help us set our strategic goals for next year and beyond. Please complete the survey and return to school by Friday 29th October.

SOUTHERN CANTERBURY SHOW - IMPORTANT UPDATE

They have made the decision to continue with the Creative Hub entries at Level 2 even if the full A & P show doesn't go ahead. All entries will be displayed and judged in our own school hall. Classes will be working on their creations in the coming weeks with the show due to take place on the 6th & 7th November.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS

We will be holding our school athletics on Tuesday 2nd November with the postponement date being Thursday 4th November. Spectators are welcome to attend but if we are still in Level 2 we ask that you sign in, wear a mask and remember the 2m social distancing rule.

District Athletics - These are due to be held on Tuesday, November 16th. These will only go ahead if we are in Level 1.

PUSS IN BOOTS

We are currently looking at ways that we can move ahead with sharing our production with the community. As you will be aware Alert levels will impact how we can do this.

If we are in level 2 at the time we are to perform the production - due to number restrictions, we would be unable to perform for an audience. Our plan is to perform the show and record it and then send families the video. This ensures the children can show off all their hard work and the great show they have put together. We will let you know if it is going to happen this way.

If we are in Level 1 - we will go ahead as planned.

SWIMMING POOL

We are aiming to have the school pool up and running by Week 5 - November the 15th. We will keep you up to date with how this is going.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

With the change in numbers allowed to come together inside we will be holding whole school assemblies this term. However due to still having to abide by the distancing guidelines for visitors we will be unable to have parents attend. We will do our best to pop photos and videos up on Seesaw for people to see.

LABOUR DAY

Remember next Monday - 25th October is Labour Day and school will be closed.

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

The Transition to School programme is well under way this term with Tania Paul leading the way. This is run on a Tuesday morning in our Junior block along side our Junior classrooms.

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

Family name _____

STANDING TALL

Respect for Self - Adam Grieve, Jesse Archer, Ricky Savage, Emmett knightly, Georgia Coombs

Respect for Others - Abbie Sew Hoy

Respect in all Areas - Lucas Ali

GOLD BAND WINNERS

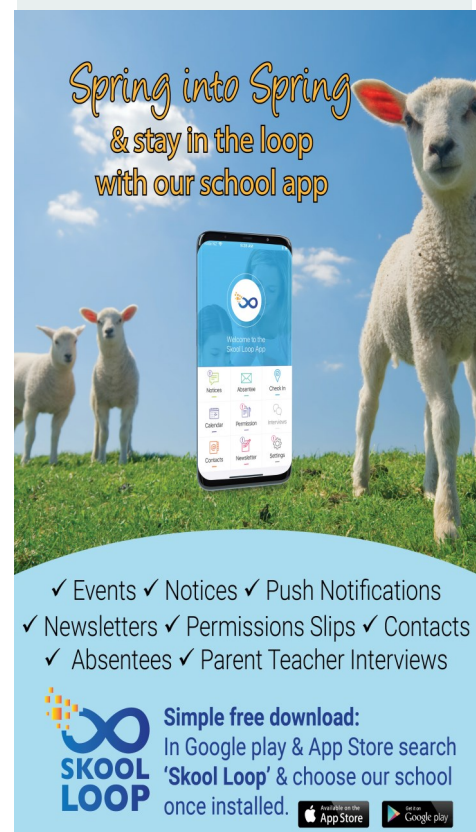
Weka - Flyn Mehrtens, Keelan Sanders, Eva Jordanovska, Diana Cherepanova, Kourtney Constable and Genna Hargreaves

Kakapo - Alice Talnbott, Jakob Boyes-Burt, Carter Buchanan, Cameron Cooper

Kea - Connie Cousau, Briar Craig, Sammy Hill, Emma Ottley, Amy Wilson, Erin Dee, Abby Swatridge. Sam Matheson

Pukeko - Lucas Apafi, Breeana Taylor, Julieta Venegas-Cabezas

Tui - Emily Vesty, Archie Luckman, Harper Davis, Chloe Renouf, Lucas Ali, Aroha Taupo, Legacy Garland, Ryder Bennett



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