



WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL



25th August 2016

Hello everyone,

Waimate Centennial Teachers are attending a union meeting on Sept. 9th 9-1.15

On September the 9th all schools in South Canterbury will be affected by teachers attending an extraordinary teacher paid union meeting. This is an unusual situation as evidenced by both the Secondary and Primary unions deciding to work together. They are trying to convince the government they have made a mistake with their policy to change the funding process for schools. The government plan is to give schools the opportunity to use teacher funding for other school expenses. Under the current system school finances are allocated under very clear guidelines. Teachers are concerned that the new funding proposal will reduce the number of teachers and raise class sizes. This will reduce the quality of the education you can expect from schools in New Zealand.

I would like to advise you to keep your children at home until 1:15 pm. when all teachers will have returned to school to continue the day, there will be no assembly. If you are unable to make arrangements I will be at school from 9am and can supervise any students that turn up.

SHOWING APPRECIATION

If you think somebody needs to be thanked for their efforts I would appreciate you coming in, texting or emailing the information about who they are and how you would like them to be appreciated. Schools are incredibly busy places. We sometimes miss opportunities to show our appreciation for the things families do. I apologise for this and encourage you to continue to work hard to make your children's experiences here as exciting and fulfilling as they are.

THANKYOU

Recently the FAST organisation have been raising funds by selling kindling. This has come about by taking advantage of an opportunity to split a free trailer load of wood. As is often the case people take advantage of this sort of opportunity when they think it will be good for Centennial. I would like to thank Tony Patterson for splitting the whole trailer full of firewood on his own. Tony's generosity with his time has fast tracked our efforts to sell the first load and we are now beginning to work through the second load. We are also grateful to Ann Dennison for stepping in at the last minute and bringing the pizzas from Timaru for our recent Home & School lunch. We were struggling to have the food delivered and as always someone has made a personal investment in Centennial School students and the FAST group.

Congratulations to senior students for taking the initiative with their recent Disco inquiry.

Well done Rebecca Saunders-Tack, Logan Clarkson and Lauriann Hodder for completing their learning inquiry about organising a school disco. The process involved presenting their idea to the Principal and FAST meeting, working with other adults to gain sponsorship, following an event preparation plan, making arrangements for the venue, setting an entry fee and managing a budget to successfully run a disco. This is a great example of students extending their learning with no thought being given to their own benefit.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- School Production-
Matinee, 14th
September, Evening
Performance 15th
September
- ERO visiting 17th
October
- Home & School Lunch
23rd September
- Term 3 finishes 23rd
September

PARENTS NOTICEBOARD (in the foyer)

- Parenting through
separation- see
pamphlet in the foyer.
- Subway dates for term
30th August, 13th
September
- Makikihi Euchre night
26th August, Makikihi
School Hall 7 pm.
\$15.00 p/p

FOOD WARMER

This winter the food warmer has been a very popular choice for school lunches. Please remember to record your child's and the classroom names on the outside. This ensures that everyone gets their food in the shortest amount of time. The senior students who manage the handling of the food appreciate being able to easily recognise the label on each package.

While it is great to have a hot lunch don't forget to support the sausage sizzles on Fridays over the winter months. The money raised helps to pay for the buses for Kiwisport.

PARENT TEACHER CALENDAR APP

Reminder to download the app and receive notifications if any school event is postponed or cancelled. You can also let us know if your child is going to be away. The latest newsletter is posted there as well.

ILLNESS AND ABSENCES

A reminder that if your child is not well they should be at home. There is plenty of illness out in the community. We have had several children at home this week and we know families are struggling with colds and flu. Because students are so involved in a range of activities they come into close contact regularly. Bugs are passed on despite our efforts to have students wash hands and maintain appropriate levels of hygiene.

The Ministry of Health guidelines are as follows:- To stop sickness from spreading, it is important for you to keep your child at home when they are ill and not let them go to school or preschool. How long they should be home depends on what sickness they have. **Keep a child home** until well and for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting.

Please contact the school office if your child is going to be absent. It may also be a good time for any contact details that may have changed to be updated.

WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SKI TRIP

On the 28th August about fifty Centennial students and whanau will travel to Round Hill for the second annual ski trip. Those people who have their names on my list will be able to take advantage of a significant discount on their day on the snow. It is not too late. Contact Lenore to get a notice and bring it to me tomorrow. Lessons begin at 10am. I would suggest you are at the field by 9:30 to get ski equipment organised and be ready for the lessons to begin. For those not skiing there is a cafe and a viewing area where you can take advantage of the scenery and all the action. I look forward to seeing you all there on Sunday morning.

If the weather is not fine enough for the day to go ahead I will place a note on the school Facebook page as soon as I can.

Don't forget Daffodil Day on Friday, Mufti day wearing yellow.

Does anyone have a bubble machine we could use for our School Production, if so contact the school office. Thank you.

Main School are holding a Jump Jamming Disco, Saturday 27th August in their school hall.

Pre schoolers 3.30-4.30pm (Must be accompanied by an adult)

Primary Years 1/2/3 - 4.45-5.45pm, Primary Years 4,5,6 6-7pm. Entry is \$2.00

Glowsticks, food and drink available for sale. All proceeds to new basketball hoops.

A Jump Jam theme!

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

Signed _____ Family Name _____

I would like to be involved in the grape harvesting fundraiser. _____

STANDING TALL

Respect for Self - Lexis Mawdsley, Cade Richardson, Cody Swatridge, Rachael Hodder, Willow Tulett, Charis Loye, Scarlett Evered, Sam Wilson, Puti Chappell

Respect for Others - Tyler Hutchison, Rachael Hodder

Effort and Progress in Maths - Chloe Ashdown, Jayla Davis

Effort and Progress in Reading - Micah Roberts, Ian RepiaOKing, Isabella Lightfoot

Effort and Progress In Writing - Emmett Knightly, Emily Anderson, Sophie Hargreaves

Conscientious Worker - Macey-Kate Guyton, Arwen O'Donnell

Effort & Progress in Listening Skills - Charlotte Garland

Effort & Progress in PE - Felicity Hutt

Increased Independence - Zara Hodder

Presentation Skills - Sonny Kuti, Elie Craig

Positive Attitude - Taylor Chamberlain

Positive Research Skills - Levi Swatridge, Lauriann Hodder

Contribution in Group Work - Hayley Keen

Co-operative and Helpful

Classroom member - Becky Don, Charlie Strange-Weir

GOLD BAND WINNERS

Jordy Sew Hoy, Chase Cooper, Johnny Habershon, Jade Constable, Andrew Ford, Lexis Mawdsley, Nico Cousau, Sam Bettany, Ben Morrese, Chloe Ashdown, Crystal Strange-Weir, Keira Mitchell, Murphy Page, Jayla Davis, Aaliyah de Wit, Sonny Kuti, Lucy Matheson, Arwen O'Donnell, Rua Taupo, Jak Walsh, Sam Wilson, Patterson Huwes, Joel Roberts, Enya O'Donnell, Oliver Lienert, Owen Cawley, Charlotte Garland, Zaydee Proudman, Hunter Cooper, Zaylee Davis, Jade Constable, Evie Anderson, Heinrich Hutt, Erica Lucas, Ian Repia-King, Pareawa Thompson, Raven Williams-Tulett,