



# WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL



16th February 2017

Hello everyone,

**NEW STUDENTS:** Jack and Jason Waugh and Annabelle Agnew  
Welcome to Centennial Jack, Jason and Annabelle and family. We are pleased to have you here and hope you are enjoying the new community.

## MEET THE TEACHER EVENING WEDNESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY

There will be a "Meet the Teacher" evening here at school. The purpose of this meeting is for you to come along and hear from the staff about what the year holds for your child. You will receive information that will enable you to support your child's learning at home.

We would like to structure the night differently this year. There will be a Bbq tea where the school will provide sausages and meat patties and a bun. Families can bring along a salad and any other food they would like.

The evening will begin with a Bbq from 5pm, following this the teachers will be in their classrooms from 6 until 7pm to present information and answer questions.

Fill in the accompanying return slip so we have definite numbers that will be attending and return to school ASAP please.

If you have a BBQ we can borrow on the night please let us know.

## LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

Life Education is a non-profit organisation. Schools invite them to come in and help to teach the health curriculum. Life Education is a preventative approach. We teach children about the wonder of life, themselves and other people, with the aim of showing them how to reach their full potential. The Life Education philosophy focuses on creating a sensitivity to values which lead to an understanding and appreciation of human life. This enables the child to make decisions about any negative influences that might impede the development of their fullest potential.

We do this by taking children on an adventure in a mobile classroom that is equipped with sight and sound equipment designed to capture children's imaginations. Our educators (registered teachers) take children on this journey, along with Harold the Giraffe, our mascot. These educators are chosen for their x-factor and together with Harold make the journey fun as well as educational. Harold is one of the more popular visitors to South Canterbury schools. He has a sense of humour and his jokes are legendary among children.

## SCHOOL EOTC WEEK

Week six this term all students will be involved in an Outdoor Education Programme with their class. Planning is underway and I have been hearing about the great activities students will be involved with. There are some new experiences this year so be prepared to have an exciting week. There will be opportunities for parents to help and join the groups. If you are available we will appreciate your assistance.

## NEW WEBSITE

Waimate Centennial has a new website . <http://centennial.ultranet.school.nz/Home/>.

## SENIOR SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

The swimming sports for senior students is to be held on 27th February at the Waimate district swimming pool. Families are welcome to come along and support students. Our postponement day is the 29th February. The district swimming sports are scheduled for March the 13th, 10-12:30am. Later in the term we hope that some of our students will attend the South Canterbury schools swimming sports.

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## Web Site:

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Teacher Only Day Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Meet the Teacher Evening-  
22<sup>nd</sup> February
- Life Education Van visit 17<sup>th</sup>-  
22<sup>nd</sup> Feb
- EOTC 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> March
- School Fair 25<sup>th</sup> March
- Term 1 finishes - 13<sup>th</sup> April
- Term 2 begins - 1<sup>st</sup> May

## BRONZBEAT STUDIO OF DANCE

Dance lessons available ring,  
Bronwyn Chittock 0211559692.



**BIBLE IN SCHOOLS BEGINS ON 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

The lessons will take place on a Tuesday afternoon from 1:15 pm for approximately 30 minutes.  
Jan Dougdale in Kea Classroom - Life choices Purple level  
Lorraine Cousins in Weka Classroom. - Life choices Purple level  
Lee Briggs in Kakapo Classroom - Search 1 programme  
Jean White in Piwakawaka - Life choices programme  
I believe that these lessons are designed to equip students with life skills. They are about values and learning how to get on with each other.

**SCHOOL FAIR**

This year's school fair is on Saturday the 25th March. Preparation is well underway for this event. There are boxes in the office where donations and raffle items can be placed. The organisers will be communicating with families about what they require next so be prepared to help out please. This is good time to remind families that we do not charge school fees, as we realise that this would be difficult for some. Rather than this we choose to run the school fair. This means that everyone has the same opportunity to contribute financially. Please help us to make the fair as successful as it can be. We have had a really positive response so far. Thank you

**SCHOOL DOCS**

Our school has been working with School Docs to create a website for our policies and procedures. We are excited to announce that the site is now live and available to our school community.  
The school works on a subscription basis with School Docs to maintain, update, and review our policies. School Docs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies which have been well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school. The school supplies specific information such as our charter and procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, etc.

School Docs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools and regular reviewing from the School Docs team. Our Board of Trustees has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented. We will advise you when policies are up for review and how you can take part in the review.  
We invite you to visit the site at <http://centennial.schooldocs.co.nz/> (note that there's no "www!"). Our username is centennial and password Hughes7924.

Flox workshop exhibition 1-22/3/17 Waimate District Library  
Last year some of our students were involved in the creative art session run locally. We have been informed that the exhibition is worth seeing especially if you were involved but for everyone who enjoys displays and exhibitions of art works.

**Whakatauki**  
**Ko ia Kahore nei i rapu. Te kitea**  
"He who does not seek shall not find"

We \_\_\_\_\_ will be attending the meet the teacher evening and will

have \_\_\_\_\_ from our family.

We can provide a BBQ for the school to use

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

Family name \_\_\_\_\_

**STANDING TALL**

**Respect for Self** - Elie Craig, Arnyka Jamieson-Smith, Ely Ryder-Ennis, Murphy Page, Kieran deWit, Hunter Cooper, Heidi Pathe,  
**Respect for Others** - Hunter Cooper, Sophie Herbert  
**Respect for Property** - Hunter Cooper

**Effort & Progress in Reading** - Sammy Hill, Arni-ka Tulett, Aiden Morrison, Zaydee Davis, Abby Swatridge  
**Effort & Progress in Writing** - Sam Bettany, Abby Swatridge  
**Effort & Progress in Maths** - Grace Herbert

**Enthusiastic Class Member - Positive Attitude** - Kayla Proudfoot, Tyler Ali

**Conscientious Worker** - Ben Morresey, Paige Constable, Mere Timblich-Poroa, Taylor Chamberlain

**Increased Independence** - Mason Dyer  
**Word Knowledge** - Cooper Drummond  
**Super Manners & Organised** - Evie Anderson

**FLIP OUT TIMARU**

We have been given two vouchers from "Flip Out" at Hilton Highway in Timaru. This is a trampolining venue. They are promoting this as a potential fitness and fun activity for all ages. I will be looking for two deserving students who would like to have a free session.

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE LESSONS**

These are available in Waimate, contact Susan Henderson 03 6889030.

**PARENTING THROUGH SEPARATION**

Free 4 hour sessions in the Waimate area contact 03 2147751.

**MUMPS**

We have been informed that Mumps cases are on the increase across New Zealand. Please make sure your child's immunisations are up to date. If you are unsure check with your family doctor. If your child contracts Mumps please do not allow them to attend school while they are infectious.

