



WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL



28 July 2016

Hello everyone,

This terms whakatauki

Kaua e ora e wheke ora ururoa

Don't live like an octopus, live like a hammerhead shark!

Octopus are renowned for their lack of resistance when being captured, however a hammerhead shark will fight bitterly to the end, to the point that when you fillet it fresh, its meat quivers.

This whakatauki tells us how we should live our lives. We should not give up no matter how hard it is.

Welcome back to school everyone. I hope you have all been able to rest and spend time with family. This term is looking like a very busy one and all of us at school are ready to help our students to work hard with their learning.

STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Congratulations on the manner in which you all engaged with the student-led conferences. The outcomes have been very positive with almost all parents indicating that they enjoyed the experience and felt it was a great way to learn about their child's achievement. One of our charter goals for this year is to enable the students to have greater control of their learning and the student led conference is one powerful way this can take place.

BOOK WEEK

Well done everyone on Book Week at the end of last term. I was impressed by the number and variety of activities that were organised for the students. There were visiting authors, invited guests reading, costume parades, competitions as well as children visiting early childcare centres and lots and lots of reading. Once again this has proven to be a very successful way to focus children into reading and books. Thanks to Mr Burt and all his helpers who worked together to make the week as successful as it could be.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Preparations are well underway for the school production planned for week eight this term. The production is called "Aladdin". There will be plenty of singing practices and whanau group meetings to practice parts. Mrs Murray and Mr Burt are going to lead the school production and we are all very grateful to them for making their skills available to us. Watch out for information about coming to see the production.

SKI TRIP

This year's Ski trip is on August the 28th at Round hill. We will be taking approximately 80 people for an economical, fun day out on the snow. Information will follow about the cost and arrangements for the day.

CONNECTING EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITIES

Following on from the success of the Reading Together and Maths evenings we are planning a Writing evening. This will be held later this term and will include families from St Pats, Main and Centennial schools. Information will follow that will enable you to learn how you can help your child with their writing.

BREAKFAST PROGRAMME

Each weekday morning we offer the students breakfast in the hall. This is for any student and consists of weetbix and milk. I would like to thank Anna Clarkson for her management of the programme. Anna is there every morning giving up her time to make sure students are fed and ready for the day ahead. This is a great example of how Centennial Families get involved in the school in ways that really contribute to student wellbeing.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Weekly Assembly Friday at 2.30pm

PARENTS NOTICEBOARD

(in the foyer)

- Netball Movie afternoon 29 July



NEW PUPILS

We welcome to Centennial the following pupils:-

Sasha Harrison (Y2)

Dante Mitchell (Y4)

Jacob Harrison (Y5)

Sharlit Mitchell-Fellows (Y2)

Madisyn Smith (Y2)

NEW TEACHERS AIDE

I would like to welcome Heidi Elson-White to the staff in the role of Teacher's Aide. Heidi will work in Weka room for the next two terms. Heidi has taken the position that Tania Paul held. Tanya has left us to follow her study in a full time capacity. good luck with your study Tania.

NEW SOCIAL WORKER IN SCHOOLS (SWiS)

Farewell to Karen Mosedale our last SWiS. Karen has returned to England with her family and we wish her and her family well in the future. We welcome our new SWiS, Jeanie White who will begin in week four or five this term. The SWiS role is very important at Centennial. With the expertise of a social worker we are able to help students to achieve to the best of their potential and families to overcome problems which impact on students learning.

PARENT TEACHER CALENDAR APP

Please remember to download the app and receive notifications if any school event is postponed or cancelled. You can also have access to the important dates and events through each term. There is a facility to inform the school about absences as well. We encourage you to join the other 120 Centennial people who are using this app to stay in touch. We have just heard from the organisers that they have a promotion for the next few weeks.

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FAST Fundraiser – Kindling

The FAST group are proposing to fundraise by selling kindling for fires. Contact Rachel if you are wanting to purchase some. 027 338 7593



Jonathan

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PRINCIPAL

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 - Jade Constable, Maia Lawrence, Liam Stewart. Tia Johansen,

Patterson Huwes, Layla Pathe
Respect for Property - Maia Lawrence

Respect for Others -Jade Constable, Patterson Huwes, Layla Pathe

Displaying all four virtues - Zaylee Davis

CHILDREN CAUGHT BEING GOOD IN THE CLASSROOM

Effort and Progress in Maths - Murphy Page

Effort and Progress in Reading - Grace Herbert, Jasmine de Waal

Effort and Progress in Writing - Arleigha Bree

Effort and Progress in Drama - Gracie Fattorini, Arnyka Jamieson-Smith

Positive Attitude - Fabian Knipe, Chase Cooper, Ngakau Taupo

Increased Independence - Hunter Cooper

Sharing Ideas - Aaliyah de Wit

Extending Himself - Tyler Hutchison

Caring and Considerate Class Member - Georgia Soper

GOLD BAND WINNERS

Jade Constable, Ngakau Taupo, Chloe Ashdown, Sam Bettany, Zara Hodder, Willow Tulett, Aaliyah de Wit, Arwen O'Donnell, Cade Richardson, Sam Wilson, Zane Curtis, Cody Swatridge, Zoe Wilson, Grace Bell, Milla McKenzie, Alex Wilmshurst, Blake Rhodes, Amy Wilson, Mason Dyer, Puti Chappell, Connie Cousau, Kade Macmillan, Rebecca Saunders-Tack, Amaru Tautari, Lexis Mawdsley, Ben Morresey, Crystal Strange-Weir, Elie Craig, Hayley Keen Lucy Matheson