



Newsletter Week 1 Term 1 2019

**Let's stay
on...
Together
Respectful
Adaptable
Creative
Kind**

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers,

What a fantastic start to the term we have had. Fortunately, the weather has not been as hot as we were expecting and all our students have arrived back eager to learn. A special welcome to Miané du Plessis and her family who have joined the Ward School community.

Our new teachers, Miss Klenner, and Mr Dalziel have been joined by Mrs Anna Booker (pictured below with Mr Dalziel and Reef swimmers) and Mrs Rachael Cotching (pictured right with Rock Pool swimmers) who are teaching on a Thursday. The team has worked hard to prepare for the term and are excited about the journey ahead. There will be some amazing items on sale at the



Flaxbourne Show this year made by our very own creative, clever and entrepreneurial

students. We also have a dedicated team of Teacher Aides; Rachael Broadhurst, Carol Schofield and Denise Rudd who work with our teachers to ensure every child's needs are met. Keeping us all on track is Candi Callaghan in the office and Raewyn Guard and Jo Edwards do a great job at making the school look great.



Our major theme for the year is Tōtaranui 250 - Dual Heritage, Shared Future which commemorates the arrival of Captain Cook to Aotearoa/New Zealand. This rich learning opportunity will explore History, Geography, Science and the unique position we hold in the world with a dual heritage of Māori and Pakeha. This is a New Zealand wide event and a number of special activities are planned locally. Check out <https://www.totaranui250.co.nz/> for more information.

Ward School Student Learning Consent Forms

You will find attached to this newsletter consent forms for your child/ren. Every year we will be seeking consent for the use of technologies, photo permission, and EOTC activities so that we are aware of any changes and you have the opportunity to discuss these aspects of learning as a family. If you have any questions regarding the permissions please contact me.

School Times

We have made an adjustment to our school day to cater for our Kiwi Can session which is now on a Wednesday after lunch with our new leaders, Tayla and Daniel. Lunch is now from 12.45 - 1.30pm. School starts at 8.50am and finishes at 2.50pm. Children travelling on the North Bus leave at 2.45pm. If for any reason you need to collect your child early please let the class teacher know. Please collect your child promptly at 2.50pm to avoid upset children and if you will be late please let us know.

Stationery

Thank you for sending your child to school with the correct stationery. Teachers are able to get programmes up and running quickly when the students are prepared.

Uniform Update

It is great to see our students turned out so well in their uniforms. The final uniform products are almost finished and will be available to purchase online very soon. It is expected that every child will have a new polo shirt by the end of Term 2.

Shaking Change for Good

The Shaking Change for Good fundraiser to rebuild the early childhood facilities in Seddon (damaged or destroyed in the 2016 quake) to cater for the South Marlborough communities.

Visit www.shakingchangeforgood.com to find out more about our campaign - some great gift ideas there too. We're asking New Zealanders to share their change with us and help us rebuild the facilities for our youngest members of the community. 180kms of ruptured faultline covered in 20c pieces will rebuild our ECE Hub!



TEAM UPDATE

TEAM is Ward School's fundraising committee. Because our school is small (but awesome!) all parents are automatically members of TEAM. TEAM stands for Together Everyone Achieves More. Please come along to our meetings and see how you can help raise funds which are a huge benefit to all of the fabulous children at Ward School. Our first Team meeting will be held on **Friday 15th February**.

1pm - prior to assembly. This will be our AGM - and handover to Ally Avery as our new Chairperson. The main topic for discussion is our first fundraising event of the year - Ward Show BBQ 24th March. All Welcome (including preschoolers).



Ward School and Community Library

Glen Webster from the Blenheim library visited this week along with Rosemary Oulton and Sue Barker. Glen brought out a new supply of books for the Community Library shelves so please come in, browse and borrow books.

When you visit you will see some colourful new dividers in the junior fiction boxes which two of our enthusiastic librarians, Olivia and Sophie, made last year.

Fuel for Schools

We are making progress towards our \$1000.00 target but we need more farms to sign up to the Fuel for Schools programme to help us. If you haven't already please sign up at www.soufuels.co.nz so that for every 2 litres of fuel you buy 1 cent is donated to your nominated school - Ward School! I'm sure one of our clever Ward learners can work out how many more litres we need to hit the \$1000.00 target! Thanks to these awesome businesses who are already helping us out.



The Tussocks Vineyard Ltd
Taimate Partnership
Hickman Family Partnership
Kulnine Partnership
PN & TJ Trolove
G & M Knox

Bruce Ives
MJN Jones Brackendale Farm
LM Taylor Farming Limited
P and S Munro Ltd
Homestead HQ Ltd

Incredible Years Parenting Course

Barnardos are pleased to confirm delivery dates and times for the MoE Incredible Years programme which Barnardos will be delivering in Blenheim. If you have any clients that may be interested, can you please complete the attached referral form and email to Barnardos at blenheimoffice@barnardos.org.nz If you have previously referred clients to IY, I will make contact with them.

Starts: Monday 25th February until Monday 17th June (14 weeks in total excluding school holiday and statutory holiday)

Time: 5.30pm to 8pm

Location: Salvation Army Hall, Corner George and Henry Streets

Facilitators: Jodie Griffiths and Bridget Lauder

The link below details what the programme covers but it is aimed at parents with children aged 3 to 8 years.

<http://pb4l.tki.org.nz/Incredible-Years-Parent>

If you have any queries, please call:

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Top Team @ Ward School

On Wednesday the 13th of February we are hosting Seddon School for the Top Team competition organised by Sport Tasman. Students will need to: wear team colours and bring warm clothes, a towel, sunscreen, plenty to eat, hat and water. The team colours will be shared with the students before the event with plenty of notice to plan outfits! There will be a sausage sizzle at lunchtime at a cost of \$2 per sausage. Please complete the order form and return to school along with the money.

Top Team Sausage Sizzle Order	
Child's Name	Number of sausages
Total enclosed	



Seddon Lions Club

4 WHEEL DRIVE TREK

Explore the Stunning Hill Country of Glenlee and Upcott Stations on Tracks Normally Closed to the Public

SUNDAY 10th March 2019.

Meet at the Museum in Newcome Street, Seddon 8.30am

All vehicles will require to be washed under arches etc prior to start time - Museum will be available to view free of charge prior to trek.

COST \$40 FOR VEHICLE AND DRIVER - PLUS \$10 FOR EACH ADULT PASSENGER (Under 12yrs Free) Sorry no dogs allowed

BRING PACKED LUNCH & CAMERA
 Proceeds will be shared between various local Seddon Lions Club Projects

Enquiries - Mike Watson Ph. 03 5757049 or Ron Hebbard ph. 03 5757196



SPORT TASMAN
MARLBOROUGH MUDDY BUDDY
 Adventure Mud Run

Sat 16 February 2019 - Havelock

Grab a mate and get muddy!
 Run in teams of 2 or more
 Fancy dress highly encouraged
Great spot prizes up for grabs!

sporttasman.org.nz (then go to events)

