

Expanding Horizons

For Your Diary	
Mon 10 Oct	Day 1 Term 4
11 – 13 Oct	Senior School Abseiling
Thurs 13 Oct	Home and School Meeting 7pm.
Fri 14 Oct	Singing Assembly
Thurs 20 Oct	Last day for Scholastic Books
Fri 21 Oct	Mufti Day Raising Funds for The Cancer
	Society (Gold Coin Donation)
Mon 24 Oct	Labour Day Observance (School Closed)
Fri 28 Oct	Assembly hosted by Room 12
Thurs 3 Nov	Year 6 Powhiri at Nelson Intermediate
Fri 11 Nov	Assembly hosted by Room 4
Fri 18 Nov	Hira Soccer Tournament
Tues 6 Dec	Interschool Athletics
Wed 8 Dec	Interschool Athletics (Postponement)
	Xmas Concert
Fri 9 Dec	Singing Assembly
Wed 14 Dec	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
	Tabloid Afternoon
Thurs 15 Dec	Last School Day (12 Noon Closure)

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 1 Term 4 at Clifton Terrace. I hope you had a lovely break with your children over the last 2 weeks. Welcome to the many new families who have started here at school.

Book Fair

Last term, we held the Book Fair in the library. This was a fantastic fundraiser for the school with \$2300 raised for our own library. Thank you so much for supporting it.

I would like to thank Sarah Allen for the considerable amount of work she put into this and to other staff who assisted. Well done to all involved.

Speeches

At the end of last term the school speech competition was held. As always, the standard of the speeches was amazing. I am always in awe of these children who can so confidently present their speech to large audiences whilst speaking so eloquently. Well done to all. The winners of the school competition Keira Tootell and Kate Sharp went on to speak at the Interschool Speech competition on the Thursday night of the last week of school. Both performed very well and I was immensely proud of their efforts. Well done girls.

Thanks Room 14 For Your Assembly

On the last Friday last term, Room 14 presented a myriad of examples of the learning they had undertaken during the term. We experienced their creativity through the arts and literacy which was very impressive. Thanks Room 14.

I enjoyed presenting the Principal's Awards to the following children who are expanding their horizons beautifully in so many ways;

Mea Dungey: You have settled so quickly into a new class. You have made lots of friends as you are caring towards others. You have a great attitude towards your school work and always try hard. I love seeing you arrive each morning with a smile. Thank you.

Natalie Downer: You are always a willing helper in Room Three. You have a positive attitude towards learning and you are eager to try new things. Keep up the great work.

Xander Phillips: You have made excellent progress in reading. You are becoming more and more confident and it is a pleasure to see you enjoying your reading. Well Done.

Kate Sharp: You have had a fantastic term! Your amazing talents have shone through in your speech and all of the hard work your have been doing. It's great to see you putting so much effort into school. Keep it up!

Hayden Leach: You have a lovely calm manner enabling you to mix with others and be a team player. You are a thinker and contribute good ideas. At all times you are willing to give activities a go and do your personal best.

Kei te whakahihi au i a koe!

Uma Vij: You have an admirable work ethic. You consistently strive for the best in whatever you do and treat everyone with kindness and respect.

Caitlin McKinley: You are enthusiastic, hardworking and willing to give everything a go. You are always willing to help others and show kindness to everyone. We love having you in Room 9.

Awatea Smith: You have had such an awesome term Awatea. We've been so impressed with your time management skills and your perseverance to get everything completed to a sensational standard. We love having you in Room 10. Keep up the super work!

Riya Vij: Riya you throw yourself fully into everything you do! Everything new that you learn you start putting into practice straight away and keep at it until you have got it sussed. Awesome work Riya!

Ollie Smith: A bundle of boisterousness, a quizzical question, smidgens of smiles, and a mouthful of musings and astronomical adventures - Ollie's odyssey of learning has begun.

Kaylen Park: You have had a super term. In reading, you have located some excellent responses and show a really good understanding between what is fact and what is fiction. Keep up the awesome work and attitude.

Leiana Hayward: Wow Leiana! You are a fantastic leader and contributor in expanding Room 14's horizons. You excel not just with your own learning but through your willingness and perseverance in assisting others with theirs.

Corey Tremblay: You are a careful listener and a sideways thinker. Combined with your ability to focus those skills make for powerful learning. Keep asking those challenging questions. Ka pai.

Well done kids. We love your work and how you keep on livin' the vision.

Home and School Meeting Thursday 13 October 7pm (Staffroom)

Home and School are building momentum towards our biggest fundraiser, Tea By The Sea. This is to be held in March 2017. The group is already working hard to ensure this is up to its usual high standard. We are looking for new members of the group to help out in different areas. Don't be put off by this. The group has a lot of fun along the way and as always many hands make light work. So, why not come along and lend a hand. I promise you won't be over burdened and that you will meet some new members of the school community whilst having some fun. See you at the meeting!

Term Diary Above

This term will bring many new opportunities for the children in their learning both in and outside the classroom. For those children in Year 6, make the most of your final months here at CTS. I know many children who have left, often reflect on their time at CTS being the best days of their schooling. Enjoy the moments that are left and continue to make the most of them.

Parents, please note down the dates above in your diary. This time of the year always gets busy as the silly season gets into full swing. Hopefully, you can join us over the coming 10 weeks in many different ways to enjoy the children and their learning.

Working Bee

Book another Working bee to continue the CTS ditch project and give the kids the end date for use that they are all keen to see.

Mark the date on your calendar 2 - 4:30 pm on Saturday October 15th (next weekend!) We have a heap of plants to get into the ground whilst it is moist and the lower bank matting plus path need to be laid out.

Bring boots for lovely muddy ditch paddling. Refreshments provided.

To be kept in touch with opportunities to support this project, ring 545 2052 (if rainy, move to Sunday)



Recent Magazine Article

You may have seen this article that was published in the Admire magazine during the holidays. It was a great article which reflects beautifully the work occurring at CTS in this area. Well done to all concerned and thanks to Nelson Mail for agreeing that we can publish it in our newsletter.



growing for good

Around the Nelson region dedicated gardeners are busy at schools, parks and private gardens growing food, flowers, or making our environment better.

Deidre Mussen chats to some of those with a passion for plants.

PHOTOS MARTIN DE RUYTER

CULTIVATING INTEREST

arlic growing outside Nick Kiddey's classroom is a perfect maths project for his keen students.

"I go out every Friday with my class and they measure how much it's grown and then we graph the results," the Clifton Terrace School teacher says.

Wandering the primary school's grounds in Nelson is like entering a gardening show.

Coastal peppercress seedlings growing outside the school hall in newly-

developed gardens that used to house conifers are an educational conservation project for another classroom.

Seeds from the critically endangered edible native brassica hark from the Department of Conservation.

"The kids have planted them and we will raise them to collect their seeds to give back to DOC," says Leonora Soares, the school's organic gardening facilitator and grounds caretaker.

Comfrey grown beside Rosemary Cooke's classroom has been carefully weighed by her pupils and is turning into liquid fertiliser beside a thriving worm farm at their doorstep. It will be used to boost soil quality in the nutrient-poor garden bed, part of a school-wide soil project funded by Enviroschools, a nationwide environmental sustainability programme.

The school's large orchard is another success story.

In autumn, the school collected enough olives from its grove and around the community to press 90 litres of olive oil, a record amount for its popular annual fundraiser.

Bottles of Stan's extra virgin olive oil get quickly snapped up by parents when





they go on sale each October.

Its label, designed by school pupils, honours the school's former caretaker, Stan Carter, who retired about five years ago. Two decades ago, he started the orchard on a barren bank in the school grounds, progressively planting a huge range of trees, including olives, almonds, macadamias, hazelnuts, apples, plums, mulberries, pears and quince.

His legacy means pupils can munch fruit and nuts direct from the source, learning about food's seasonal cycle and production.

"It's a living playground," says Rosemary, a teacher at the school for the past 21 years and its Enviroschools lead teacher.

"And kids are allowed to climb trees here."

A decade ago, she started the school's edible gardens.

"It's so the students can develop lifelong skills that involve working with nature rather than against it," the keen organic gardener says.

"I just thought the kids would get a lot out of it."

She was right.

Ever since, vegetables have been grown in the three beds along with calendula plants, which are used to make calendula hand cream for another school fundraiser. Two apple trees on a nearby fence are espallered to demonstrate growing techniques and food scraps collected around the school are composted in heaps beside the gardens or put in its worm farms.

Students are rostered to work in the edible gardens under Leonora's guidance and part of their reward is eating freshly-picked produce, sometimes cooked in a kitchen beside the gardens.

Gardening has become so popular for pupils that the school has been busily expanding its garden space, particularly near classrooms.

Two retired next-door neighbours, Biddy and Adrian Myers, have put in uncountable hours to help the school with its garden projects.

"They are superstars around the school," says Nick, the school's permaculture group facilitator who previously worked at the Nelson Environment Centre.

The group, composed of school staff, parents, students, caretaker and neighbours, including the Myers, has examined the entire school's environment to improve outdoor learning opportunities. "Kids need to learn about the natural environment, where food comes from and managing the environment."

Many staff feel that is particularly important with technology advancements, he says.

"We don't just want students inside flash new classrooms working on laptops."

The group is looking at ways to boost the school's production of food for students, teachers and wildlife, create shelter and shade, improve soil and air quality in its grounds, and reduce maintenance.

One recent example is transforming an "ugly smelly slippery dangerous" storm water ditch into an outdoor classroom with native plantings to feed birds and other animals, steps and a bridge to make it safe and accessible, and new garden space for students to grow food.

It is where Nick's class has started growing their garlic.

"It's fantastic having a garden for us to use right outside the classroom and has been great for learning," he says.

And at the end of the year, his class will get garlic to take home in their school bags as the final bonus of their maths project.

Congratulations

Hannah competed in the Marlborough Performing Arts competition during the school holidays. She competed against dancers from Australia and the South Island and achieved Very Highly Commended in the under 10s Classical Ballet, and 3rd in the under 8s. Well done Hannah!

Gymnastics

Junior Gymnastics with Glenys Langdon will be starting back up in the hall this Thursday afternoon at 3.15. There are still some spaces available, if you are interested please call her on 545-1421 or 027 360 8117.

Senior Fundraiser-Eco Store Soap

Many thanks to those who have taken on the challenge to sell boxes of Eco Store Soap for the Senior Camp Fundraiser. If you have sold your soaps please can you return your money to the office asap so we can collate what is outstanding. Cheers Vick

CTS Kids Rockin it with Andy!! (An Email From Tanya Glenn)

A sunny morning out at Cable Bay and the instructor told them to use their hands for balance, spread their limbs wide and pretend they had suction cups. Thank you so much CTS for taking the children rock climbing. Today those children acquired all kinds of positive skills. They learned to focus, concentrate and persevere and along the way they gained confidence, competence and strength. These children learned safety skills and responsibility and they took that responsibility seriously, that's empowering! The kids also learned problem solving, it really was a puzzle to work out, sometimes requiring them to back right off and try a new route. Climbing also requires a combination of creative thinking and physical output. Todays adventure suited everyone!! Thank you to all involved in organising this day.

Thanks Andy Fullerton for ensuring this could happen for our kids here on The Terrace and giving them such a marvelous experience. You rock!

THANK YOU!!!!!!

A HUGE thank you to the following businesses that donated goods and services that helped make our Senior Camp Fundraiser 'Pete's Dragon' a great success.

Adama Living Light Candles

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Thanks also to our school community for purchasing tickets and supplying popcorn makers.

Second Hand Uniform

Did you know that we have quite a lot of second hand uniform available at school? See Vick or Bev in the office if you are interested.

Have a fantastic week. Feel free to come and say "Hi". The door is always open!



Can you help?

We are collecting picture books to send to kindergardens in Vanatu. We need 100 per box so this is a great opportunity to have a clear out of your bookshelves. There will be a box in the office for collection. Thank you Caitlin, Charlotte and Amber Mcknight.

Tour De Science - A Science Storytelling Show



Award-winning performer, David Klein is bringing his science storytelling show to town. Part theatre, part poplearning, Tour de Science is an effervescent scientific and personal learning adventure. David shares his journey of curiosity and discovery from childhood to adulthood as atoms, cells, evolution, the solar system, stars and beyond are pieced together into a unique and extremely satisfying conclusion.

When: Thu 3 Nov 2016, 6:00pm-7:00pm

Where: Victory Community Centre, Totara St, Nelson South, Nelson

Ticket Information: Koha/suggested donation: \$5.00

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When: 4.30-5.30pm on

When: 3.30-4.30pm on Wednesdays or Sundays (starting 19th Oct 2016) Venue: Victory

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Athletics 'Have a Go' Day Get Set Go & Run Jump Throw



Come Along and be part of this Fun Athletics 'Have a Go' Event for Children aged 3 -12

What is the best start to sporting success?

- Building the fundamental skills through fun & play!
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Uniform Sales

Any surplus uniforms that parents wish to donate to the school can be dropped at the office for H&S to sell for fundraising. Second hand uniforms @ www.cliftontce.school.nz

Absences from School

You can advise school of absences by e-mail:

office@cliftontce.school.nz or text: 027 7154058 (TEXTS ONLY) Phone 5450532 (Leave a message).

Japanese Lessons at CTS!

Spaces are available in the following classes.

Best Beginners Fridays 3:10-3:40 (no knowledge of Japanese required, suitable for age 7 and over) \$45

Star Sprouts Thursdays 3:10-3:50 or 3:55-4:35 (Japanese preK-K level of reading and writing required) \$50

Starting in the first week of Term 4

Contact: Mika 021 086 73773 or tmssito@gmail.com