

12 May, 2021



### Expanding Horizons

#### For Your Diary

##### Term 2, 2021

Wed 12 May  
Fri 14 May  
Tue 18 May  
Wed 19 May  
Fri 21 May

**Fri 4 June**  
**Mon 7 June**  
Tue 8 June  
Thurs 10 June

Fri 2 July  
Fri 18 June  
Fri 2 July  
Tue 6 July  
Wed 7 July  
Fri 9 July

Senior Sign Language Club to Nelson Library.  
Clifton Terrace Quiz Night  
CTS Cross Country  
Rippa Tournament  
Rippa Tournament (Postponement)  
School assembly

**Teacher Only Day (School Closed)**  
**Queen's Birthday (School Closed)**  
Inter School Cross Country  
Inter School Cross Country (Postponement)

Reports Home to Parents  
School Assembly  
School Assembly  
School Production (Night 1)  
School Production (Night 2)  
Final Day for Term 2



Kia ora koutou,

Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Clifton Terrace. Welcome to week 2 at Clifton Terrace School for Term 2. I'll be sending newsletters home fortnightly on every even week this term i.e weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10. Please keep an eye on the diary above and maybe put important dates in your calendar.

#### Room 6 Taking Our School Values to New Heights



Above is Room 6's RISE class art project showing the sun rise over Nelson Haven. As you know RISE signifies our values. What a lovely symbol with all the class hands helping everyone rise. Nice work Room 6.

Room 12 have also been developing our RISE values;

***Respect everyone in the world***

***Everyone included***

***Say kind words***

***Play fairly***

***Everyone look after the environment***

***Caring and sharing***

***Treat others how you want to be treated***

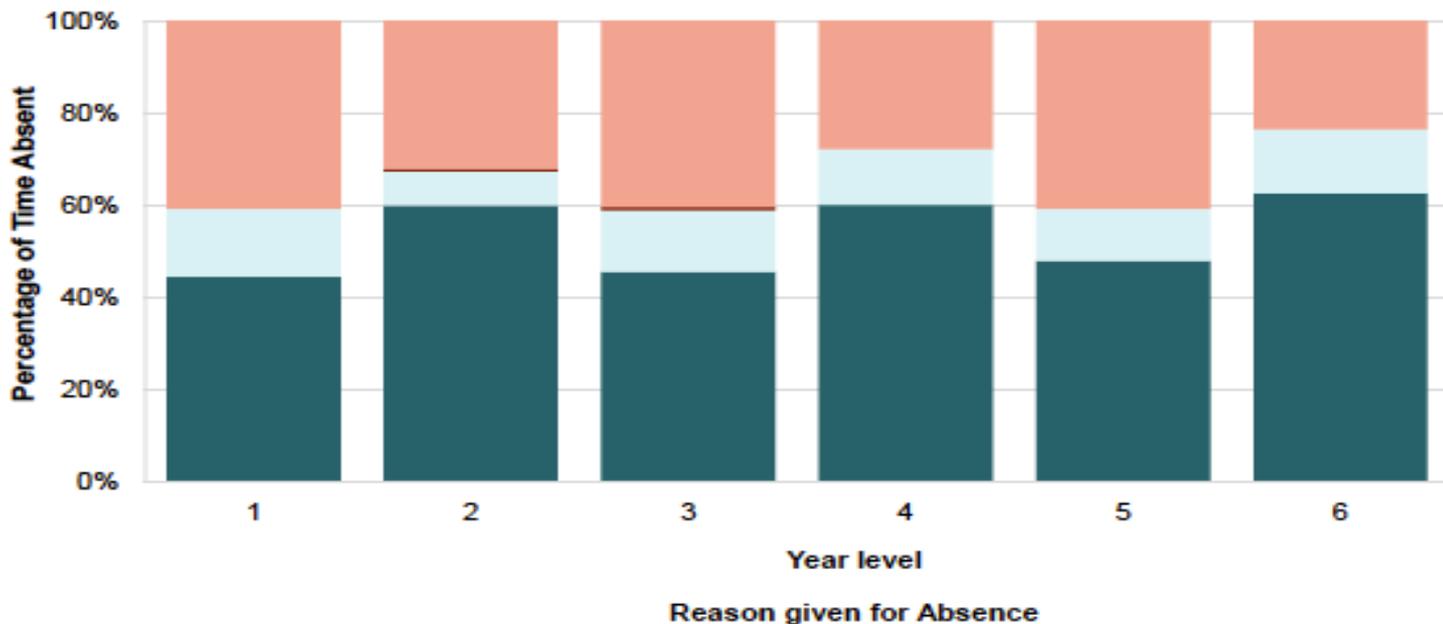
Nice work Room 12. Keep up the great work.

### **Does Your Child Need To Be Absent From School?**

The Ministry of Education has an expectation that children are at school at least 90% of the time. Last term, we had a 93% attendance rate which I am pleased about. Thanks for your help with this.

I have attached the graph below just to indicate that there are places where we could improve attendance even more. There are obviously times when children are sick and they should be at home to enable them to get better. These are shown in green below. There are also times when there are legitimate reasons why a child can't be at school. These are 'justified' absences and are shown in blue. The pink area is what the Ministry of Education call 'unjustified absence'. You can see from the graph that for each year level, there are quite large percentages of these. What I would like you to consider as a parent is whether your child really needs to be at home? Or should they be with their mates, learning and doing things that are organised for them. Children who have erratic attendance often become disengaged as they are missing out on vital learning, socialisation etc. Please give it some thought as we do miss your children if they're not here at school.

**Reasons given for non-attendance, by Year Level (Term 1, 2021)**



### **Safety Reminders In and Around Our Community**

It is a good time as we move into winter to remind children about keeping themselves and others safe.

Reinforce with your children good safety practices around what to do if a child is feeling unsafe whilst going home, playing in the community, etc. Talk to them about appropriate people to go to if they are in an unsafe situation and where to go to in order to get help.

Another thing to talk about is the safety of others. As an example, our local cycle way is a really great asset to our community. Does your child use it safely so that other users are safe too? Please talk to them about staying left, not leaving gear on the path, not stopping on the path, watching where they are going, etc.

There is some really useful information in this link;

<https://at.govt.nz/.../riding-on-shared-paths-cycleways.../>

Thanks for talking to your children about these issues. We would all be devastated if someone was hurt badly.

### **Teacher Only Day Friday 4 June (Please note this in your diary)**

Please be advised that we will be having a teacher only day on Friday 4 June. This will be to enable us to work as a team to moderate achievement data, and consider our next student reporting stage.

### Lit Quiz Winners are Grinners

At the end of last term, I was immensely proud of our children who competed in the Lit Quiz held at Broadgreen Intermediate. 24 teams from Nelson and Marlborough competed. 13 of the teams were children who attended intermediates. The other teams were from primary schools. Clifton Terrace achieved third overall and first primary school. This was an outstanding achievement. Well done kids. Thanks to parents who supported the children getting to the event and to Sarah Allen (Librarian Extraordinaire) who helped to get our team organised for the competition.



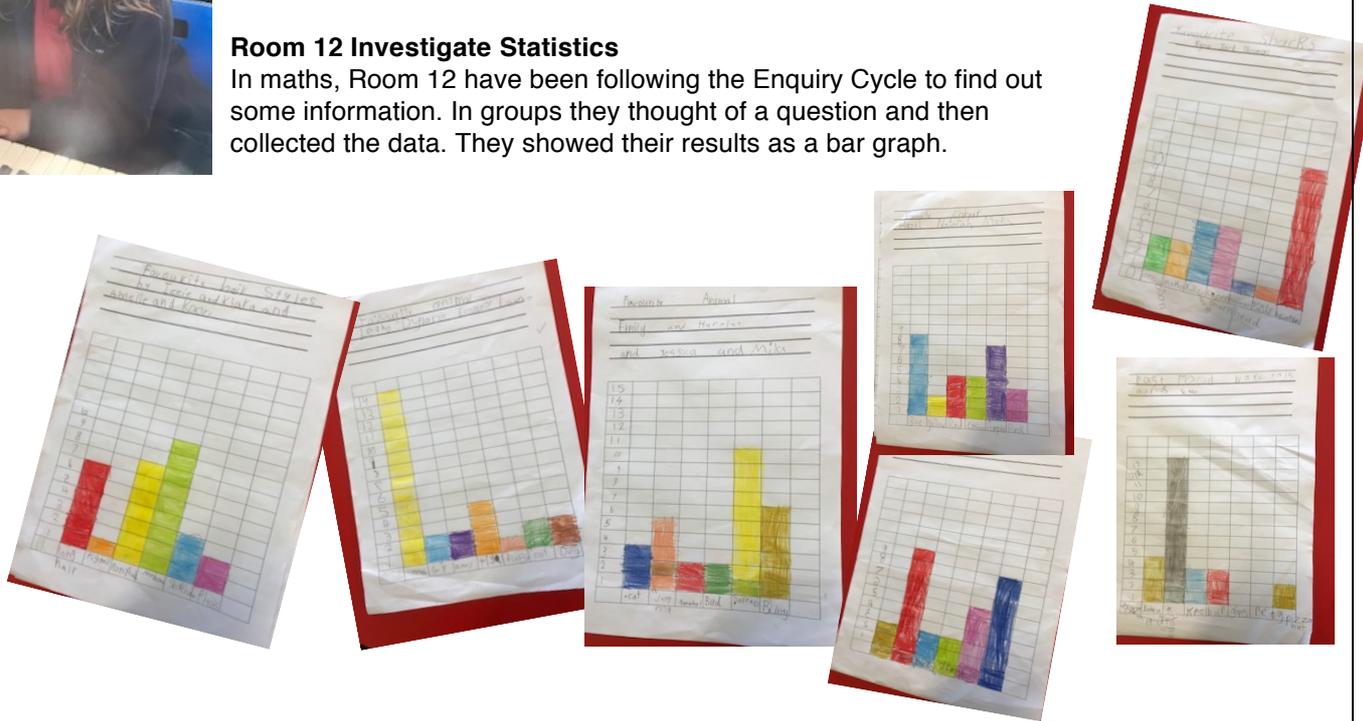
### Children Singing Praises About Learning Music At School

It is wonderful that we have so many children learning musical instruments. Here we can see Amelie, in Room 12. She brought her digital keyboard to school and played Room 12 three pieces. Amelie also learns the harp and we hope she can share that with us soon too. Thanks for sharing Amelie.



### Room 12 Investigate Statistics

In maths, Room 12 have been following the Enquiry Cycle to find out some information. In groups they thought of a question and then collected the data. They showed their results as a bar graph.



### Sssshhh!!!! Room 6 Has Budding Engineers At Work; How much weight can your structure hold?

Room 6 children were asked to make a structure. They were allowed 4 pieces of paper and limited cello tape. The structure had to have a height more than 10mm.

*What did they find out?*

The best kind of structure was cylindrical in shape. 3 – 4 of these shapes could hold 40 – 50 books.

The kids also found that stacking the books in different ways helped. Stacking them in a certain order helped to distribute the weight evenly.

The kids said they found listening to others' opinions interesting and helpful.

Well done Room 6.



## Rune Finds a Breakthrough For Restless Nights.

### *The Boy and the Train*

I was in bed looking out to the stars. Then I saw a train. A man was in the flying train. He waved at me. He shouted, "Sleep!" I will be there in your dreams. "What!" I shrieked, I blinked, the train was gone and the man was gone too.

By Rune

## All The Right Moves Were Made in the Chess Tournament!

It was an epic day at the chess tournament on Monday. It was so cool to see so many kids prepared to 'have a go' in this competitive environment as it is a very character building. All of the kids played very well and improved their chess on the day. There were 28 Rookies which are children who are competing in their first ever tournament. Nina was the top scoring girl in the Rookies and 4th overall. The top 3 Rookies on the day were Thomas (1st), Zack V (2nd) and Phoenix (3rd). These are very special results for kids in their first tournaments. The other kids who competed are ranked as Juniors. These are kids who have competed before, so a child might play against someone who is only competing for the second time or someone who is more experienced. In the teams event Clifton Terrace came third and the team of Casper, Sam B, Sean, Keely, Logan, Ben, Carter, Troy and Zac M won the competition. Medals were awarded to the top 4 scores in the team (Carter, Ben, Zac and Troy).

In the individual competition both Zac M and Troy were awarded the 'Picket fence' badge which means that they each won all of their 7 games. Because of points, Troy was the overall champion on the day and Zac was second. The boys were gunning to play each other and it didn't happen this time but I'm sure that there will be plenty more opportunities. So from the day, kids had heaps of fun, some learning took place, everyone left with a certificate of their achievements, some kids won medals, some teams won competitions, kids won individuals badges for winning with specific moves, some kids and teams qualified to compete at the Nationals, kids were crowned champions, and we are very proud of all of you.

Well done.

Thanks also to Wendy who looked after the players.



## CTS Sign Language Club Performs at The Nelson Library

Kids these days do so many things that impress me as you can see from this newsletter. Another example of this was displayed to me on Wednesday when our Sign Language Club performed at The Nelson Library ably assisted by their sign language teachers Charlene Bensemann and Elle Rounce. The children were amazing. They were confident and you could see how much they enjoyed using one of New Zealand's official languages. I was so proud of them. A massive thanks needs to go to Elle and Charlene for their commitment to making this happen. It is really appreciated.



## Schools' Cross Country Series

The Schools Cross Country series will be run again this year. All three events will take place at Rabbit Island and will be on 15, 22, 29 May. Each race will begin at 2.30pm. Look on the CTS Facebook page for more information.

## Thanks Pub Charities

Recently, we were very fortunate to have been granted money through Pub Charity. This will be going toward replacing I.T. gear in the school.

### Hazel Hebberd Finally Makes An Appearance

Weighing in at a healthy 8lb 12oz, Hazel Dulcie Hebberd entered the world on Tuesday. Congratulations to Summer, James (Room 13 teacher) and little brother Hugo.

We're thrilled for the Hebberd whanau and can't wait to meet the little treasure.



I have been thrilled with the way our children have started the term. We have the best kids and a wonderful community that support us to do wonderful teaching and learning. Thanks for the work everyone has done to make CTS a great place. It really is appreciated.

Remember the door is 'nearly' always open for a chat!

*Rob*

### Table Tennis

Is now happening at the Wakapuaka Hall.

We welcome beginners to join us on this very sociable evening of fun.

For ages 8 to 13 approx.

Bats, balls and coaching all provided.

We have learnt that many children from our club who go on to Nelson Intermediate enjoy a big advantage when they select table tennis as one of their optional sports.

**Every Wednesday.** 6pm to 7.30pm.  
**\$3 per head.** See you there!

For more info phone Nina 03 545 0278

A colorful advertisement for French Flair Language Lessons. The background is split into three vertical sections: blue on the left with a musical note and a girl playing a violin, white in the middle with a book icon, and orange on the right with a camera icon. Text includes 'French Flair Language Lessons', 'CERTIFIED TEACHER', 'Nelson Tasman', 'All ages All levels', 'Individual Small groups', and contact information for Lise Kosmala: 'Contact : Lise Kosmala 027 267 3229 - kosmala.lise@gmail.com'.

### Aikido Classes

Want to learn self-defence and become more confident? Do AIKIDO a Japanese Martial Art

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