

CLIFTON TERRACE SCHOOL

Expanding Horizons

For Your Diary

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
Thurs 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 3, Term 4 at Clifton Terrace. I hope you had an amazing Labour Weekend. The weather was certainly better than predicted! I hope you were able to rest and have a well-earned break.

School Was A Hive of Activity Last Week!

Last week we had one of those learning opportunities that just flew in! Room 11's Blog posts describe what happened;

CLIFTON TERRACE BEE SWARM

Have you ever seen thousands of bees in one place? We did at school on Tuesday the 18th, when a whole swarm of bees arrived out of nowhere!

They were buzzing all around the Top Court and the Field by Room 10 until they settled down on the rocks by the Hall.

At lunchtime we had to play on the Bottom Court because Mr Wemyss was worried about us getting stung. It was so boring because it was really crowded and hot and horrible.

But! Nick rang a local beekeeper called Daniel who came out with some equipment to catch the bees. It was quite tricky because they were stuck on and between the rocks and the flax so he had to scoop them into his beehive box with a dustpan.

We got to stand nearby (at a safe distance so we didn't get stung) and watch Daniel do it. It was really interesting. Once Daniel got most of the bees into the hive he showed us what a drone (male) bee looks like. The drones don't have a stinger so some people got to hold one. They have big eyes and a furry abdomen.

Mr Schneider took a lot of very closeup photos but he didn't get stung even once!

Daniel left the hive next to the rock so that any leftover bees can get in, then he will come and get it after dark when the bees are all asleep.



The swarm!



Daniel sets up his gear.



Daniel scoops the bees off.



Once the bees are in the hive the rest will (hopefully) follow.



There were a lot of bees!

Have You Seen Our New Website??

While Murray was away on sick leave having a shoulder reconstruction recently, he rebuilt our website into a new, fresh site. We're still tweaking bits of it but we're thrilled with the result thus far. If you have any feedback about it, let us know.

Thanks Murray for your time on this. A great job done!

Good Bye Lisa and Shane.

Shane and Lisa from the Atawhai 4 Square are leaving to move to Kaiapoi. They have both been incredibly supportive of our school over the years. Thank you so much to you both.

We hope your move goes without any difficulty and that Kaiapoi brings you much happiness in the years to come.

Thanks once again from us all.



Dance Group Does Themselves Proud

This lovely bunch of CTS kids were in Peta Spooner's dance show last term. Well done to them all for performing so well.



Check Mate Jordan Kelso!

Jordan was recently invited to go to Wellington for the Chesspower Champions Trophy 2016 and jumped at the chance to pit his chess skills against the best of New Zealand junior, intermediate and senior players who were very, VERY good!

After a rocky start, and losing his first 4 games (some by the narrowest of margins), Jordan was absolutely determined to turn things around. He readjusted his own expectations of what he could achieve. Going into the competition he thought he could win more than half his games. At 4-0 down he revised this to winning 3 of his last remaining 5 games, and that is exactly what he did. It was hard work! He

really had to take a deep breath, refocus, concentrate only on what was in front of him, and do his best. He beat one intermediate boy in only 10 moves, and he persevered until the successes started to come. A valuable lesson for him and a great example of never giving up!

Well done Jordan

Taken From School on the Evening of Tuesday 18 Oct

The bike pictured was taken from school on the evening of Tuesday 18 Oct. It is a JAMIS brand and gun-metal in colour. If you have any information regarding this bike, please let us know at school so that we can get it back to its owner. Thanks.



Pool Keys

The pool will open again for the season on Monday 7 November. We are hiring out keys again to the school community. These are \$60 and can be purchased from the office from **Monday 31 November**. The swimming season will go from November to approximately end of March. There will be some specific times when the pool is unavailable due to lessons with Pattison's Swim School taking place. To get a pool key, people must go through a very brief session regarding water testing unless they have done this previously. The training days are Monday 31 Oct at 8.45am and 3.10pm and Monday 7 November at 8.45am and 3.10pm. Please meet at the Office at these times. This is very simple but must be done in order to get a key.

Last chance to add your bit to the CTS ditch improvement project ...



There will be one final working bee to complete the steps, add the lower path bark mulch and finish the planting.

The date to put on your calendar is

SATURDAY NOV 5th from 2pm to 4:30.

Bring your muscles, trowels, and your kids to join in this fun afternoon. (Sunday is the wet day alternative option)
Refreshments provided

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

Rob

Nelson Bays Primary Schools Tournament

When: Wednesday 2nd Nov
9am Start

Venue:

Boys-Tasman Tennis Centre
Girls-Nelson Lawns Tennis Club

Cost: \$10 per player.

Kids must know the basic rules,
scoring and be able to serve and
rally

If interested please put names down
at office by FRIDAY 28th October.

Experienced Babysitter Available

References available

Phone Glenys (Teacher Aide at CTS)

027 360 8117

545-1421

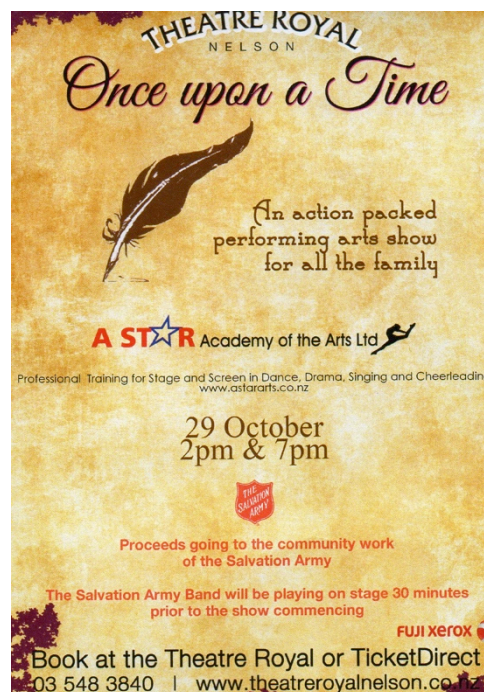


The 2016 Nelson A & P Show is on 19th and 20th November. There are many sections where pupils can show their creative talents. Schedules are available online at www.thenelsonshow.org.nz or from the A & P Office at Richmond Park.

DISCO

Disco is in Old St Johns Hall on Hardy Street 3pm to 5pm Saturday November 5th. \$10 for kids, adults free. Includes a drink and glow sticks. Free entertainment from Professional DJ Ladykerbs and Flossie the balloon lady. Spot prizes and lots of fun. Disco event is called 'The Best Party Ever!'

For tickets text please call 0210376330
Or email lashelly2003@yahoo.com



Tahunanui Tennis Club is the first Hotshots Tournament of the season

Equipment and Court sizes tailored to any age and ability. A fun way to get into competitive tennis and use the skills they learnt at coaching. At each tournament the kids will accumulate points and at the end of the season the points will be tallied up for an overall winner. Get to as many tournaments as you can over the summer.

Date: Sunday 30th October

Times:

Red level - 9-10am

Orange level - 10-11am

Green level - 11-12.30pm approx. (duration dependent on numbers)

Cost: \$10

Certificates for all and prizes for the winners.

Register online by going to www.suz4tennis.co.nz and go to the Registration tab or email/phone suz4tennis@gmail.com/0275220115.

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).**

Toothbrushes For Sale. Camp fundraiser.



Did you know?

- 90% of marine debris is plastic
- 44% of seabirds mistakenly eat plastic debris
- Plastic outnumbers plankton in the oceans by 6 to 1 in the gyres
- New Zealanders create 3.6 million tonnes of rubbish each year
- Toothbrushes represent more than 45 million kgs of plastic waste each year globally.

By supporting our fundraiser you can make a difference to the above.

Toothbrushes come in child and adult size. Both are \$4.00

Draw your own name or design on your toothbrush!

Toothbrush information:

- 100% biodegradable
- Designed in NZ in consultation with dentists
- Handle made from bamboo
- Bristles made from nylon 4, a biodegradable polymer
- BPS free
- Bristles of medium stiffness with longer, softer, sharpened bristles for more effective cleaning between the teeth.

Please send back this order form with the money to your **classroom teacher**.

Orders must be in by Friday, 28th October.

Any queries email Judy judyh@clifontce.school.nz

Name _____

Room: _____

Number of adult toothbrushes _____ @4.00 \$ _____

Number of child toothbrushes _____ @4.00 \$ _____

Total to pay: \$ _____

Thanks for you support.