

CTS STUDENT LEADERS FOR 2020!



**Kate MacGibbon (Y6), Zac McCall (Y5), Lucy Daughtrey (Y5),
Jaya Ellison (Y6), Pipi Johns (Y5), Bonnie Hughes (Y6),
Zoe Van Zijl de Jong (Y6), Riley MacLennan (Y5),
Finlay Lawes (Y6), Anzac Jamieson (Y6)**



Expanding Horizons

For Your Diary

Term 2, 2020

Tues 30 June Board of Trustees Meeting (5.30 Staffroom)

Fri 3 July Last Day Term 2

Term 3, 2020

Mon 20 July Day 1 Term 3

Tue 4 Aug Parent/Teacher Interviews (School closes at 1pm)

Tue 4 Aug Rugby Tournament

Wed 5 Aug Parent Teacher Interviews

Thurs 6 Aug Rugby Tournament (Postponement)

Tues 11 Aug Year 3/4 Hockey Tournament

Wed 12 Aug School Photos

Thurs 13 Aug Year 3/4 Hockey Tournament (Postponement)

Tues 25 Aug Year 5/6 Hockey Tournament

Thurs 27 Aug Year 5/6 Hockey Tournament (Postponement)

Tues 8 Sep Interschool Winter Sports Day

Tues 15 Sep Rugby Finals

Wed 16 Sep Rugby Finals (Postponement)

Kia ora koutou,

Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Clifton Terrace. Welcome to our newsletter for Term 2.

Since my last school newsletter so much has happened. The world is significantly different but also the same in so many ways. We've gone from nothing to really be concerned about, to a full lockdown and now we're back to Level 1. I look at what we have done as a nation with some pride knowing that we managed a situation that quite honestly could have been catastrophic.

My last newsletter was back in mid March just prior to the lockdown. It seems so long ago. During the lockdown there were many times I needed to communicate with you all regarding information I required for different reasons or just to share information I had for you. I would like to say thanks for the response I got to these messages.

I would also like to say thanks to you too for the response to home learning. I know this was difficult for some families for many reasons. These were extraordinary times and I was grateful for those who took the challenge to become a 'home teacher'.

It would be remiss of me not to thank my staff for the work they did during this time as there was a lot of organisation required to get Home Learning working as effectively as it did.

Congratulations To Our 2020 Student Leaders

The front page of our newsletter shows our 2020 Student Leaders. These children collectively form a group who will lead different aspects of change in the school throughout the remainder of 2020. Congratulations on your appointment to this position kids.

Home and School Change Direction

Home and School are renowned for supporting the school to ensure we have a really good resource base. It is through your support that they are able to do the many things that help us as teachers.

Home and School acknowledge that things are different at present for some families and may be for some time. For many, employment may be uncertain and of course with this there are many other uncertainties that cause a lot of stress. As a result Home and School have changed their direction. Instead of asking for your help, they are wanting to know what it is they can do for you. Currently, they are running a survey which was shared with everyone last week. However, if you

haven't seen it, you can access it here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HPGBLP7> . Please do have a look at it and complete it so that we can share the love that you have shown us over the years.

What's Been Happening On The Terrace?

There are a few changes that have occurred since my last newsletter so to get you up to speed:

Board of Trustees. Our Board of Trustees (BoT) has had a few changes. Serean Adams very ably had led our board during 2019. Serean did a thorough job ensuring our board worked efficiently and effectively for both our children and community. Serean stepped down at the end of last year from her role as chairperson. She will remain on the BoT as a board member. Thanks Serean for your commitment to the school. It is very much appreciated.

Bryce MacDonald has taken over as chairperson. Bryce was elected on to the board during 2019 and is excited to take on this responsibility.

Jon Marshall has joined the BoT. Jon brings a wealth of property experience through his professional life and I look forward to working with him and 'borrowing' his experience and knowledge in this area.

Reporting. We were scheduled as a school to have our parent / teacher interviews just after we went into lockdown. Obviously we were unable to have these. Our reporting schedule has changed a little due to the disruptions during the year. We have reorganised these to now occur during week 3 of Term 3. The dates for these are Tuesday 4 August in the afternoon starting at 1.30 and Wednesday 5 August starting at 3.15.

Each interview will be 15 minutes in length. To cater for the longer interview times, we will be finishing school on TUESDAY 4 August at 1.00pm so that interviews can begin at 1.30pm. School on Wednesday will finish at the normal time of 2.55.

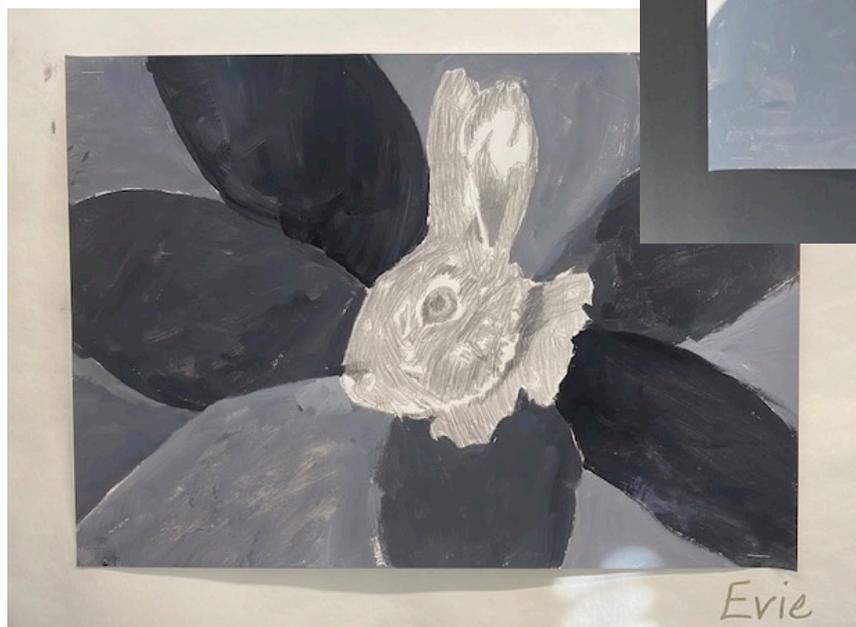
As school will finish at 1.00 on TUESDAY, it would be helpful if students could go home at that time. However, if this is not possible, some staff will be available to ensure children are safe and catered for here at school. Please complete the form at the end of this newsletter to indicate whether your child(ren) will be going home or staying at school and return to your teacher.

Please book a time on the following website www.schoolinterviews.co.nz. When booking, you will need the event code which is **ds98t**. These interviews are very important and I do urge you to organize a time as soon as possible.

School Production. We were due to have a school production this year. We have decided that due to the uncertainty of whether we can have crowds etc. that we will postpone it for this year and hopefully we'll be able to carry on as normal for 2021.

Heather's Art On Fun Day Thursday

The children have been working on their art skills and processes with Heather on Fun Day Thursday. As always, Heather gets wonderful work from the kids as you can see from these lovely examples.



Keeping Everyone Healthy

Since coming back to school after lockdown, we have seen really effective health practices used by everyone at school. It's good to be reminded about keeping healthy and safe so I've put this information in again:

- If you or your child has any cold or flu-like illnesses stay at home.
- Avoid close contact with people with cold or flu-like illnesses.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with disposable tissues or clothing.
- Wash hands for at least 20 seconds with water and soap and dry them thoroughly:
 - before eating or handling food
 - after using the toilet
 - after coughing, sneezing, blowing your nose or wiping children's noses
 - after caring for sick people.
- Use sanitiser if available.

If your child is showing any sign of illness, please don't send him or her to school. Public Health have advised that anyone showing cold or flu-like symptoms should contact Healthline.

A Few Timely Reminders To Keep Everyone Safe

Everyone needs a timely reminder at times. We would be really pleased if you can;

1. School is open to pupils at **8.20am**. Children can't be here before that time for their safety.
2. Remind your children if they are waiting for you after school that they stay in the school grounds. If they are waiting at the front of the school, they wait by the flag pole.
3. If you are parking in the allocated carparks at the front of the school please be patient and careful when backing out in particular.
4. Please don't park in bus stop areas or areas that are not marked as parking areas including the yellow lines by the Tresillian Ave Reserve.
5. Children are asked not to bike in the carpark at school. We would appreciate parents walking their bikes too.
6. Please remind children that they can not organise play dates from school. These need to be organised before coming to school.
7. And last but not least, please try not to ring Vick with changes in plans for kids after school. Getting information to children is time consuming and can be difficult particularly if near bell time.

Thanks for your help with these. It is very much appreciated.

Welcome Megan Durry

Last term we said good bye to Ruth McMillan from Room 3. We are really fortunate to be able to welcome Megan Durry as Room 3's new teacher. Megan is well known to CTS as she has been a reliever here and also has children at school. Welcome Megan.

Teachers' Email Addresses

Our email system works with christian name followed by the first letter of the surname followed by @clifontce.school.nz.

There are two exceptions, however, which Vick and Prue in the Office (please see below).

I have listed these below if you ever need them.

Room 2	Nigel Strawbridge	nigels@clifontce.school.nz
Room 3	Megan Durry	megand@clifontce.school.nz
Room 3 (Friday)	Rachel Tobin	rachelr@clifontce.school.nz
Room 4	Rayna Olsen	raynao@clifontce.school.nz
Room 6	Mel Beckett	melanieb@clifontce.school.nz
Room 7	Judy Hawtin	judyh@clifontce.school.nz
Room 8	Meghan Jamieson	meghanj@clifontce.school.nz
Room 9	Amanda Hall	amandah@clifontce.school.nz
Room 10	Michelle Day	michelled@clifontce.school.nz
Room 12	Carol Cowie	carolc@clifontce.school.nz
Room 13	James Hebberd	jamesh@clifontce.school.nz

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Room 14	Heather Folly	heatherf@clifontce.school.nz
Room 14 (Thursday and Friday)	Hayley Wilson	hayleyw@clifontce.school.nz
Room 15	Megan Howard	meganh@clifontce.school.nz
Library	Sarah Allen	saraha@clifontce.school.nz
Office	Vick Sharp/Prue Smith	office@clifontce.school.nz
Principal	Rob Wemyss	robw@clifontce.school.nz

Have a great week. Stay safe and remember the door is 'nearly' always open for a chat!

Rob

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Parent / Teacher Conversation Notice Tuesday 4 August Regarding Whether Children are Staying at School or Returning Home at 1.00pm

_____ in Room _____ will be staying at school / going home on the afternoon of TUESDAY 4 Aug.

NB: Buses will run as normal after school if children are staying for the afternoon.

Please return this note prior to Friday 31 July.