



# NEWSLETTER

MISSION: Together we will encourage, challenge and inspire each other towards a love of learning.

Central School

Te Kura Waenga o Ngāmotu

Mā te ākonga te iti kahurangi e whai atu

Strive for excellence

**13 October 2015**

Ngā mihi ki te whānau o te Kura Waenga o Ngāmotu

***Ma whero ma pango ka oti ai te mahi***

*With red and black the work will be complete*

**Welcome back to our SOMAD term.** This celebration of the Arts on Saturday November 7 (pp date 14/11) from 9.30-2.00 is a school day and all children are expected to attend. It is very distressing for students who have choreographed and practised for this performance for a number of weeks to miss out on this day and it is equally distressing for their classmates when there is a last minute gap in the choreography to be managed. You will find a special SOMAD newsletter attached to this newsletter.

A special Central welcome to the families of Cody, Kiana, Summer-Maree, Cooper, Dillon and Ariana who all started school with us this week.

Our heartfelt thoughts and aroha to the Hawera community after the devastating fire at Hawera Intermediate today. We will keep you updated with ways we can support this community as they have lost 10 classrooms, their hall and their library. Our students may come up with the best options but even a load of school stationery may help each child and teacher get through until the end of the year.

## **ROAD CLOSURE - VERY IMPORTANT**

Our new library/classroom will be lifted by crane, over the school fence and onto its site on Tuesday morning. Pendarves Street will be closed until 9.00a.m. Can you please park and walk that morning or use the Gover Street Kiss and Drop? **All children will need to enter school through the Lemon Street entrance.** Can we please ask that the cars in Lemon street are ONLY those of the families with Year 1 children who do not have older siblings. The P2s in Lemon Street are for your use only however you will not be able to leave your vehicle.



The Room 8 Whānau has been working very hard on their visual art. I couldn't resist including some of this powerful and talented visual art in this newsletter. Thank you to Izzy, Olivia, Molly, Isaac, Abel and Zaria.

**A REMINDER THAT NO CHILDREN SHOULD BE AT SCHOOL BEFORE 8.20 a.m.** with the exception of the road patrollers. If you need to drop your child earlier please make use of our very popular before school care at School's Out.

**OUR TERM 4 FOCUS ON THE CENTRAL PRIDE VALUES (Personal Excellence, Respect, Integrity, Diversity and Equity) OF INTEGRITY AND RESPECT.**

Our values focus this term is on the interconnecting values of integrity and respect, without which we cannot achieve personal excellence. It would be very helpful if you could talk to your children at home about what these values look and sound like at home, and how it makes us feel when these values are integral to the way we behave.

**HOW OFTEN DO YOU CHECK UP ON YOUR CHILD'S CLASS BLOG?**

Bonnie is keen to see how many families use the website to access notices and newsletters, the class blogs and the photos. We are also wondering if you are aware of clicking on the headings of the class blogs as there is often more information within. If you have feedback, Bonnie would be delighted to hear from you.

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**SUNHATS- CAN WE ASK YOUR URGENT ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER?**

We all know how dangerous our spring sun is. Vicki has hats for sale at a subsidised price in the school office. There are all sorts of colours to choose from. However there is no compulsion to have a school hat as long as we are wearing hats with brims at least 6 cms all round. Obviously this excludes caps.

Children not wearing sunhats outside will only be allowed to play in the shade.

**POLICE and NPDC's CAMPAIGN ON ILLEGAL PARKING AND DROPPING OFF**

Next week there is to be a crackdown on illegal parking and dropping off at New Plymouth schools. I have included this information from the Let's go team at the NPDC.

**PARKING BEHAVIOUR OUTSIDE SCHOOLS**

**Speed**

*The slower you drive around a school the safer you will make it for everyone. The speed limit passing a stationary school bus is 20 km/per hour.*

***Stopping in the middle of the road and letting your child out of your car***

*Not only do you stop traffic behind you creating a road hazard, you are making it impossible for any child to cross the road.*

*Ticketable offence of \$60*

***Parking or stopping on yellow lines***

*The yellow lines are in place to improve visibility, either for people and children crossing the road or for vehicles coming out from intersections.*

*New Plymouth has a poor record of crashes at intersections; improving visibility can help to reduce this.*

*Parking/stopping on yellow lines (even if you are sitting in the car and only stop for a moment) is a ticketable offence of \$60*

***Parking for longer than 2 minutes in a P2***

*P2's have been designed to improve flow outside schools. Specifically available for our younger families. They are provided for people to pull in meet their child and pull back out. Staying in there for more than two minutes impedes traffic flow, creates a back up of traffic making it unsafe for other road users.*

*Parking in a P2 for longer than 2 minutes (even if you are sitting in the car) is a ticketable offence of \$12*

***Parking or stopping in a bus stop***

*Bus stops are for buses, if you are stopped in one and therefore forcing a bus to stop in the road this helps to create a significant road hazard.*

*Parking/stopping in a bus stop (even if you are sitting in the car and only stop for a moment) is a ticketable offence of \$60*

***Parking on footpaths or the grass berm***

*Footpaths and the grass berm are designed for people, there are a number of children and parents that walk, scoot or ride to school often also with push chairs by parking on the berm and footpaths you are often forcing children onto the road to get around.*

*Coming up to park on a footpath or grass berm when a small child is walking or scooting past can be quite scary for that young child, no matter how slow you are going.*

*Parking on the footpath is a ticketable offence of \$40*

***Parking across driveways***

*Driveways or vehicle entranceways allow vehicles to exit, schools work hard to develop good relationships with their neighbours.*

*Parking across driveways can upset neighbours and it prevents emergency vehicles from entering or exiting.  
Parking/stopping across a driveway (even if you are sitting in the car and only stop for a moment) is a ticketable offence of \$40*

***Calling your child across the road – not parking related.***

*Your school, the Police and Let's Go work hard to teach your children how to cross the road properly and give them the skills to do so. By calling them across the road or choosing to not use the pedestrian or kea crossing provided is setting a poor example for your children and other children watching. These crossing points have been placed in areas identified as the safest point to cross, please use them and encourage your children to.*

***Patience and courtesy = priceless.***

## **HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS**

**Date of next Home and School Meeting**  
19 October at 7.30pm in the Staff room

**Pita Pit** - running as usual this Friday

**CENTRAL SCHOOL QUIZ NIGHT**  
**POP THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY NOW!**

Wednesday 25 November 2015  
The Good Home  
More details to come...

**RUNWAY CENTRAL** has been postponed until April.  
We will get back to you!

**Photography Portrait Fundraiser 17 October -Final Reminder**

For a \$15 sitting fee you will receive a professional photography session and a FREE 10 x 13 inch family portrait. This is a great fundraiser for the school as we will receive the full \$15 sitting fee + \$10 from any photo sales. We have some spaces available for this Saturday's shoot so please get involved and share with your friends and workmates. Booking forms are available from the school office. Thank you to all who have already sent their forms in. Appointment times will be confirmed in the next few days. Any queries at all, please contact Sheree on 021 311 718 or email: [sheree@istudios.co.nz](mailto:sheree@istudios.co.nz)

**CALENDARS, CARDS AND DIARIES - buy your Christmas gifts now**

This is the last week to view and order calendars, cards and diaries for Christmas and 2016. Check them out in the classrooms and make an order. Any queries please see Anne Fromont. Calendars \$12, cards \$12.50 and diaries \$16.

## **SCHOLASTIC LUCKY BOOK CLUB**

Lucky Book Club Issue 7 brochures will be coming home with your child this week. You may order online or by using the order form in the brochure. Order forms can be dropped off at the drop box located in the office with your payment. (Cheques made out to 'Scholastic NZ Ltd'). Orders need to be submitted online or to the school office drop box by 9am Wednesday 21st October. (No late orders accepted sorry). All orders earn rewards for our new school library.

With Christmas on the horizon we will be offering a 'Secret' service for this issue for parents/ caregivers wishing to place a secret order. These orders will not be delivered to the students and will need to be picked up from the school office.

In order for this to work there are a couple of things that must be done. Secret orders **MUST** be in the parents name (not the child's) and **MUST** have 'LIBRARY/SECRET' as the classroom. The order needs to have an email contact address, so I can notify you when the books are ready for pick up. For online LOOP orders, follow the directions for adding a new child under your account, fill in the parents name as the new child, you **MUST** mark your class as Library-James. Any orders under 'library' will not go to your child, any orders in a student's name/or with a classroom number will go to the child's classroom as usual. Any queries to Tracy (Jez and Bebe's mother) or Lynne in the library.

### Missing your Scholastic order from Issue 6

We had an order placed with no name or contact details for issue 6. If this is your order could you please see Vicki in the office, you will need to tell her how many books you ordered and what they were.

## **SPORT NOTICES**

### **Sports Uniforms**

We still have an alarming number of uniforms that haven't been returned. Please can we all have a look to see if there are any uniforms at home still. Particularly children who might have played Inter-school sport and been lent a uniform.

On Friday I will be issuing uniforms for JP 4/5 cricketers, touch, year 1 and 2 netball and summer soccer. Crissie

### DATES FOR DIARIES

19 Oct - Home and School meeting 7.30  
Oct 26 - Labour Day - no school today  
Nov 07 - SOMAD  
Nov 14 - SOMAD postponement date.  
Dec 09,10,11 - Year Six Camp  
Dec 17 - School Finishes at 12noon  
Final Assembly NPBHS 9.30am

### Community Notices



## Fireworks Spectacular

**Saturday 17 October 2015**

*(Sunday 18 October if postponed)*

**A & P Showgrounds, Hawera**

Gates open 6.30 pm entry through Burnside Ave or Williams Ave

**\$5 adult \$2 children, \$12 family (2 adults 3 children)**

Enjoy great local music from 'Ghost Chips', a variety of food stalls and great family entertainment!

*Plus the chance to win with Energy City  
Motors Hyundai*

South Taranaki District Council Events @ TSB Hub  
Phone 06 278 0646 or 0800 111 323  
[www.southtaranaki.com](http://www.southtaranaki.com)



### EAST END SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB NP

**OPEN DAY - SUNDAY 18 OCT - 10AM-1PM**

Come down and see what Surf Life Saving is all about. We cater for all age groups and abilities. ○  
Life guard training and patrols ○ Junior Surf  
5-13 years ○ Senior Surf sports - 14 years up ○  
PIRB training and competition ○ Surf Boats ○  
Old Crocs (Masters) Swimming

Come along for a free Bbq and watch some demonstrations of what surf life saving can offer:

10.30am Surf Boats  
11am Beach Flags  
11.30am IRB demo  
12pm Board  
12.30pm Surf Ski

New and Existing Members we look forward to seeing you as you register for the upcoming season. (If you are unable to make it on Sunday you can now register online at [www.eastendslsc.org.nz](http://www.eastendslsc.org.nz))

### THE INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENTING

**PROGRAMME** - This programme is designed to develop positive whānau/ family relationships, empower parents to make change and to manage difficult behaviour. Practical step-by-step suggestions help in handling everyday situations parents face. Learning parenting skills in a supportive group is effective and fun. Research shows this programme changes behaviour and those changes last.

Confident parents make a difference in whānau/ families. **WHAT IS COVERED** :

Play, involvement, praise, reward, limit setting, handling difficult behaviour, problem solving, communication, giving and getting support. **WHAT DOES IT**

**COST** : This is a free programme. Book and programme materials provided. **HOW**

**LONG DOES IT RUN FOR** : 2 ½ hours (mostly mornings) , one day a week for 14

weeks. **CRITERIA** : For parents or caregivers of children who may have behaviour challenges, between the ages of 3 – 8 years. Children need to be in the day to day care of parent or caregiver.

**VENUES** : Depending on referral numbers and location. Could be New Plymouth / Waitara / Hawera / Eltham.

**PROGRAMMES RUN** every six months.  
February - June. August - December.

**Referral forms : Contact Trish Cover 06  
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