

CENTRAL NORMAL SCHOOL

TE KURA TUATAHI O PAPAIOEA

Term 1 Week 8

Wahaia Kia Tutuki ~ Strive to your Potential

21 March 2019

Tena Koutou Katoa, Malo e Lelei, Talofa Lava

As shared through my community newsletter to you all over the weekend and again on Monday, we would like to extend our sincere thoughts and aroha to the families and whānau who have been affected by the tragedy in Christchurch. We would also like to extend our thoughts to all the schools and people of Christchurch, as we stand alongside them in support and whānaungatanga.

We have had correspondence from the Christchurch City Council, in collaboration with the Canterbury Principals Association and the Canterbury Muslim community with how we can show our support. Tomorrow we will have a Colour Your Day, where we ask everyone to wear bright, happy colours, to show our support and aroha for Christchurch. With this, we will have a chalked kiwi coin trail inside the office, where our children can bring in a gold coin donation to add to the kiwi. **All proceeds** will be sent to support the people of Christchurch.



Cancelled Early Close

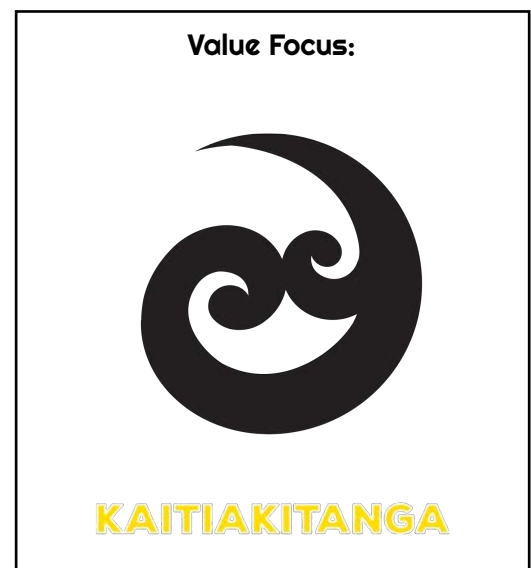
In respect of the Christchurch tragedy, the proposed teacher's union meeting that was planned for tomorrow, has been postponed. This means, **that there will be no early finish tomorrow.** School will continue as normal to 3.00pm. When the teacher's union update us of the next planned meeting, we will let you know.

School Photos

We have confirmed the dates for this years school photos. Class and individual photos will be taken on **Thursday 26 September** and sibling photos will be taken on the morning of **Friday 27 September.** Please add these dates to your diaries and calendars.

School Value Focus

We are sustaining our current school wide focus on the value of Kaitiakitanga. Kaitiakitanga is the concept of looking after; our people, places, land, culture and language. It is about being respectful of tikanga and protocols and knowing the right thing to do. At home, you could ask your children what Kaitiakitanga means to them and to your whānau. For small children, it may be as simple as looking after the family pet. For older children, it could be about looking after an area outdoors or taking an interest in keeping our outdoor environment free from litter.



Colour Your Day and Coin Trail for Chch - tomorrow

Forms

Two weeks ago, we sent home a number of forms to be completed. Many thanks to all the families who have returned these forms to school. Congratulations to the families of: Mataora (Akomanga 17) and Eli (Pod 5), who returned their forms by March 14. Both families have won a \$50 Countdown voucher.

Drive In Movie

On Thursday 4 April at 5.30pm, we are hosting our first ever drive in movie at Central! Children are encouraged to make their own car to sit in for the movie. The movie to be screened is The Incredibles 2, which is a high action superhero movie. Tickets for the movie are \$5 and can be purchased from the school office. Rather than giving out actual tickets, the office will write down your child's name as proof of their purchase. The \$5 will give your child entry to the movie and a snack box to enjoy during the movie.



iPads

Over the past week, we have rolled out a number of new iPads across the school. This year, the Board of Trustees (with the support of Pub Charity), provided a 1:1 ratio of iPads across all our Year 5/6 classes. This will enable our children ready access to a mobile device to support their learning. This week, we have had the support and facilitation of Innes Kennard, iPad Expert, providing new ideas and apps about how teachers and children can use the iPads effectively in classroom programmes. This increased access to devices will also allow our children to post more of their learning to Seesaw for you to view at home.

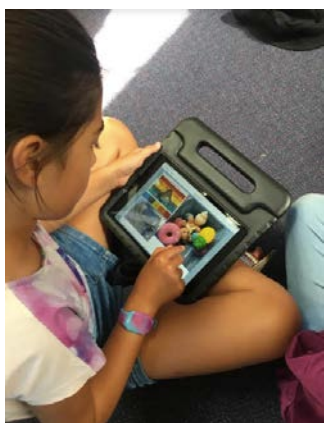


iPad Expert, Innes Kennard, supporting Akomanga 15

Hockey

Hockey Manawatū are holding a holiday programme for players of all abilities in Years 1-8. If you think your child would like to participate in this programme in the upcoming holidays, go to www.hockeymanawatu.org.nz for more information.

From the Classrooms



New iPad learning - Pod 5



Paper folding - Hub 12



Maths Rich Tasks - Room 1



Home Learning Challenge - Hub 12