



Kia ora tatou katoa - hi everyone

No 4

21 February 2019

## **CYBER SAFETY PARENT EVENING** Wednesday 27 February, 7pm

This is going ahead next Wednesday - even if you are not one of 12 people who responded you are most welcome to come along to the staffroom.

### **EDUCATION CONVERSATION**

In May and June last year we advertised (newsletter and FaceBook) the Government's review of Tomorrow's Schools and Education. At the end of last year the review was completed and an impressive 148 page report was produced. It contains proposals that will radically change how schooling works in New Zealand. These recommended changes are to improve the education system for all New Zealanders.



<https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/tomorrows-schools-review/>

This link is the place to read the full report or the key findings. There is a video and an online survey. There are public meetings that you can attend today - **Thursday 21 February** at the Addington Raceway & Events Centre - Metropolitan Stand at the following times

4 - 6pm [Register 4 - 6pm](#)

7 - 9pm, [Register 7 - 9pm](#)

### **PARENT/TEACHER/CHILD INTERVIEWS -**

Thank for the great turn out at these. If you didn't make it we'd still like to contact you so email the office or your child's teacher directly to arrange a time.

#### **PTA**

The PTA are an important part of our school. They help the school keep in touch with the wider school community, are involved in supporting the education your children get and provide some wonderful resources and opportunities for your children. **I've highlighted the PTA's contribution in today's newsletter**

The PTA always needs new and enthusiastic members. The meetings are the second Tuesday of every month 7pm in the staffroom - 12 March. If you've got ideas, time or skills we'd love to see you. It's not just about fundraising either the group are very welcoming and it is a chance to get to know people - the parents of your child's classmates.

#### **Friends of the School / PTA**

If you can't make the meetings but would still like to help out then you can be a Friend of the School / PTA.

We will send out volunteer requests for events and initiatives as they occur, outlining what help we need. **So if you, or anyone in your family, have some spare time and a willingness to contribute let us know.**

[toniandjohnnie@xtra.co.nz](mailto:toniandjohnnie@xtra.co.nz) or the school office [admin@pps.school.nz](mailto:admin@pps.school.nz)

## BIG DAY OUT

Thank you to all the parents who have replied so far it's been a great response but we'd like at least 6 more to improve the adult to child ratio - even if it's just for an hour or two.

Just email [admin@pps.school.nz](mailto:admin@pps.school.nz) or let the class teacher know verbally or with a note. Lunch will be at 12pm and the PTA will be supplying a sausage in bread in addition to the lunch the children bring.

As a safety feature the Pukeko children will be wearing orange bathing caps so we can easily monitor our youngest children. We will also be providing them to children we think need closer monitoring - talk to your child's teacher or send a note if you think your child fits this category.



## DANCES FOR SCHOOL IS COMING

Our first dancing day is Monday 4 March. The dance performance will be on Friday 15 March at 1pm in Casebrook Intermediate Hall which families are invited to attend.

<http://www.dancesforschool.com/face-to-face-program/>

The Papanui Club have donated \$1,000 and the PTA have agreed to donate \$1,100 so the cost will be \$20 per child.

**Thank you to the Papanui Club and the PTA for their ongoing support.**

## BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

8.30am is the earliest we expect children to arrive at school. We have an increasing number of children arriving before this time. While most children manage themselves really well some of the younger children find this a challenge. Timing the arrival as close to 8.30am as possible is appreciated as we do not actively supervise prior to 8.30am.

After school we expect all children to be picked up by 3:15pm. For safety reasons children who are being picked up need to wait inside the school grounds and not outside the gates on the footpath. At 3:15pm a bell will ring and any children not picked up should go to the office. Parents and caregivers will pick them up from there. If you are delayed after school for any reason please call the Office on 352 8271.

## YEAR 5 & 6 CAMP

There are a few changes with camp this year ...

- The venue will be Living Springs
- The time is Term 4 - 30 Oct - 1 Nov

We don't have the final costs just yet. The PTA will be fundraising but it would be a good idea to start putting some money away each week - in a jam jar if you're old school or on Kindo.

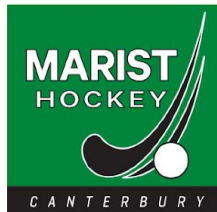
## UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 1 March  
Friday 15 March, 1pm  
Thursday 11 April

Big Day Out, Jellie Park  
Dance performance at Casebrook Intermediate  
Cross Country - Owen Mitchell Park

***Kia kaha te menemene - keep smiling***  
***Paul***

## COMMUNITY NEWS



Register  
**ONLINE  
NOW!**

### **Fun Sticks (Year 1 & 2) Open Day Sunday 24th March 2019 at 9.50 - 10.45 am**

Join us at Marist Park Turf @ St Bedes (Entrance off Momorangi Crescent) where our Marist coaches will take you for a fun hockey session.

We have spaces available in Fun sticks grade for new players to join Marist Hockey Club for the upcoming season.

School teams of 8 can be set up for this programme so bring along your friends and play hockey this season.

Just bring along your sports shoes, mouth guard, shin pads and we will provide everything else.

The Funsticks Season begins 11th May until 17 August 2019 and is held at Marist Park every week from 9.50am to 10.45am

Please note no hockey Queens birthday weekend or 13th July.

Subscriptions \$75 for the 12 week programme.

All registration and player information will be available at this session or visit our website [www.maristhockey.co.nz](http://www.maristhockey.co.nz)

If you have any queries, please contact Marist Hockey – [maristhockeyjunior@gmail.com](mailto:maristhockeyjunior@gmail.com)

or refer to our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/MaristHockeyJunior/>

### **Junior Club Open day - School Years 3-6 Saturday 2nd March 2018 11am - midday**

Join us at Marist Park Turf @ St Bedes (Entrance off Momorangi Crescent) where our Marist coaches will take you for a fun hockey session.

We have spaces available in all grades for new players to join Marist Hockey Club for the upcoming season. All registration and player information will be available at this session or visit our Marist Hockey Junior Club facebook for trial dates and updated information on when registration will be open.

Just bring along your sports shoes, mouth guard, shin pads and we will provide everything else.

For further information please contact Marist Hockey Junior Club - [maristhockeyjunior@gmail.com](mailto:maristhockeyjunior@gmail.com) or refer to our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/MaristHockeyJunior/>





## **BELFAST RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB** **JUNIOR REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW!**

**Come and Play for Belfast for 2019**



A great family friendly club

14 teams, from Under 6 – Under 13

Partnership with Merivale Papanui R.F.C

for Under 14 – Under 18 Grades

Coach & Player Development

Weekly Team Presentations

## **REGISTER NOW!**

[www.belfastrugby.co.nz](http://www.belfastrugby.co.nz)

[juniorsbrfc@gmail.com](mailto:juniorsbrfc@gmail.com)



# HELP TAMARIKI IN YOUR COMMUNITY



## Can you provide a safe, stable home for tamariki until it's safe for them to return home?

All children need a place where they can feel at home, with their wider whānau or caregivers who can give them aroha, a place of belonging and connection with family, whakapapa, and culture

There's no doubt being a caregiver can be hard, but the rewards can be amazing. Your aroha can make all the difference.

Come along to our Christchurch Information Session to find out more about the different ways that you can care for tamariki.



Our next session is on:  
Tuesday, 12 March  
6.00 – 8.00pm

Grand Central Building,  
161 Cashel Street,  
Christchurch.



Or get in touch anytime on  
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