



Kia ora tatou katoa - hi everyone

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TOLERANCE

I have had to talk to some children about this but before I did, I did some reading and thinking to make sure I got a clear message across. I'm sharing this with you so can support our promotion of tolerance.

Tolerance is being able to 'put up' with something and is mostly about being fair towards people - their background, ethnicity etc. as well as the things they may say and do. Tolerance is not about accepting ****bad behaviour** but is about **treating others how you wish to be treated.**

Tolerance is a virtue or a value that is vital for children to develop, because for them to have a successful future, they need to be able to live and work with others. They need to be unafraid, to step outside their comfort zone and to understand, learn, respect and appreciate others. This will hopefully lead to acceptance.



Acceptance goes a step beyond tolerance. If a sign of tolerance is a feeling of "I can live with this (behaviour, religion, race, culture, etc.)" then acceptance is a feeling that "this is OK" and there is no need to change.

**With regard to behaviour, if the behaviour is unkind, hurtful or harmful then it should not be tolerated and needs to change.

SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to those parents who have already paid their accounts in full. A reminder that unless you have an automatic payment in place, could all school fees please hgbe cleared by Friday 8 December.

If you have any questions or require assistance with regard to your school account, please contact the School Office or principal@pps.school.nz.

REPORTING TO PARENTS and CHILD LED CONFERENCES - *** SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 2PM ***

These are on next Tuesday 5 and Wednesday 6 December. All children will receive a written summary report and this will be accompanied by the children's learning folder.

Bookings can be made on www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the code **nap8d**. Then follow the easy on screen steps to book a time with your child's teacher. We would love everyone to attend with their child/ren.

SPORTS UNIFORMS - Reminder

Please return all outstanding sports uniforms to the Office.

TOUCH RUGBY

Could all coaches/managers please collect all of your team's tops at the end of the last game. The children will need to be advised to bring a spare top to change into. We would be most appreciative if all uniform could be washed and returned to school prior to Friday 15 December. Thank you.

BNZ CRUSADERS 'BATTING' FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Sunday 10 December, 11am - 5pm, Christchurch Boys High

Watch the BNZ Crusaders switch codes and play a fun game of 20:20 cricket against an All-Star team of NZ sports stars in aid of Cystic Fibrosis New Zealand! Come and join us for this **FREE**, family-friendly event, with bouncy castles, food stands, cricket academy and an all new art exhibition. Bring along a blanket and enjoy a fantastic day out. Event is open from 11am, main game starts at 1:30pm after a rousing welcome from Cashmere Primary Kapa haka and is expected to run until just before 5pm. Who will win this year? The BNZ Crusaders are on a winning 5-year streak!



PTA Fun Day

To finish the 2017 school year in style the PTA are hiring an inflatable slide between 2 and 6pm. There will be a sausage sizzle and perhaps one or two other 'happenings'. A great chance for a final together for the children and their families - all welcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS

5 & 6 Dec	Reporting to Parents (2pm Finish)	14 Dec	PTA Fun Day - 2 to 6pm
8 Dec	Junior Sharing Assembly - 2pm	15 Dec	Last day: SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1PM
11 Dec	Juniors Big Day Out <i>*change of date*</i>	30 Jan	Uniform Sale 11am - 1pm
12 Dec	Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 1.45pm	5 Feb	First day School
13 Dec	Junior Sports Day	6 Feb	Waitangi Day - School Closed
13 Dec	Year 6 Te Koru		

Kia kaha te menemene - keep smiling
Paul

Community News

Bishopdale Park Skate Jam

Saturday 27 January (Rain date Sunday 28th January), Bishopdale Skate Bowl - Leacroft Street, 12 - 3pm. Learn to skate with Scotty and the crew from the Skate Skool / Free skate hire available / Free sausage sizzle/ there will also be a best trick competition. Have a go youth skateboard event with skate demonstrations and wicked giveaways. The event is aimed at 10-15 year olds of all abilities, but suitable for younger or older audiences. Cheapskates demo team will be present on the day performing and offering advice and tips for beginners wanting to start up. A great opportunity for youth who have not skated before or have just started. Suitable for a family to attend so come along and enjoy the free Hellers sausage sizzle! Supported by the Fendalton-Waimairi-Harewood Community Board and Christchurch City Council. For further information Please Visit: <https://ccc.govt.nz/news-and-events/events/show/493> or PH 0278146692 Gabrielle.