CUST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Friday, 10 February, 2023 - Week 2 —Term 1

BE YOUR BEST
Kia Rawa Pai

SCHOOL THEME: GROW / TUPU

To see their greatness,
to notice their strengths,
to value their gifts,
to believe in their worth,
to grow their potential

...is to enhance their Mana

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK
Over the last week you should have received class newsletters outlining how classes will operate this term and what class programmes should look like.

Please email the class teacher for any clarification needed or questions.

Communication with Teachers – teachers would appreciate parents / caregivers utilising emails as the first form of communication, rather than Facebook, messenger, text etc. This initial email might lead to a phone call or meeting.

CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS PROCESS:
Most concerns can be resolved informally by discussions with the people concerned.

In the first instance, make contact with the person concerned to arrange a time to discuss the matter privately, indicating beforehand what it is about. If the concern is about a student, contact the student's teacher.

If your concern/issue has not been resolved by meeting with the person concerned then make contact with the principal or deputy principal to arrange a time to discuss the matter. Indicate what the concern is about, and the steps that have already been taken to remedy it.

By following these steps most issues will be resolved and no further action is required.

Please note: Mrs Bell is Deputy Principal, assisting me, the Principal, in the management of the school and will act as Principal, and provides professional leadership, in my absence.

Cust School Teacher Aide:
This is to inform you all that Kate Cain is leaving Cust School this Friday. Kate is departing to explore and utilise her skills as an Occupational Therapist.

At this time, we are discussing plans on the best way and timeframe to hire a replacement.

We're immensely grateful for all the contributions that Kate has made during her time here. I speak for the entire school and community when I say, Best wishes, Kate, on your next venture. We'll miss her professionalism, meticulousness, and empathy, but we're excited about her next steps.

Beach Education:

Many thanks to everyone for completing the permission form.

If you have not done so, PLEASE COMPLETE FORM AT THIS URL

https://forms.gle/L2YT8PGM8YZRyeLUA

I have sent an email to parents /caregivers who have offered to help on the day.
Please note that anyone is welcome to come on any day – the more the merrier!

WEDNESDAY, 15 FEBRUARY – Rooms 6 and 7
THURSDAY, 16 FEBRUARY – Rooms 1 and 2
FRIDAY, 17 FEBRUARY – Rooms 3,4 and 5

Venue: Waikuku Beach – 9am – 3pm. All children will travel by bus.

What do we bring to Beach Ed? The beach is an ever changing environment so you will need to pack for all seasons:

- ***Towel, togs, wetsuit (if you have one), warm clothes & hat***
- ***Lunch, drink & sun screen (factor 30+)***

Please Note: Beach Ed will not be cancelled if the weather is unsuitable as there will be a full wet weather programme.

WEDNESDAY, 15 FEBRUARY *Rooms 6 and 7*	*THURSDAY, 16 FEBRUARY* *Rooms 1 and 2*	*FRIDAY, 17 FEBRUARY* *Rooms 3,4 and 5*
MIRIAM ANDREW ROBERT	ELEANOR ANNMAREE HELLY ROBERT	LINDA CAROLINE KATHRYN ROBERT
Natalie Kearns Karen Gilby Steve Bell Kareen Klinac Trina Melville Johnny Riley Andrea Wright Rebecca Gartery Johnny Croft	Elysia Lucas Alice Gregory Mitzi Taylor Francesca Rae Lisa Watson Marie Clark Doug Close Trina Melville Alisa Thompson Lydia Reynolds Andrea Wright Elizabeth Carter Tracey George Louise Boyd	Natalie Kearns Taryn Graham Denise LeBrun Sarah Johnson Victoria Trayner Brittany Peacock Hollie Mason Ben Clark Joanna Petheram Sarah McAllister Sarah Keenan Simon East Casey Toon Danielle Jones Lindsay Tallott Catherine Wilson Victoria Saville Danielle Shuker Kylie Gilman

Contact and Permission Form – a link to the form

https://forms.gle/QRBTkx7JrRnr27WS7

Please ensure that all sections of this form are completed and submitted by Monday 13 February.

Meet the Teacher / Parent Interviews:

It is hoped that in Week Six (Monday, 6 March & Tuesday, 7 March) there will be an opportunity for you to sit down with your child's teacher (and your child) to discuss goals, the start of the year and any testing completed. More information regarding this to come.

GROW AS A COMMUNITY/CULTURE:

- **Model that value is placed on normalising te reo Māori**

The Puketeraki Kahui Ako believe the following provides the rationale for our community to understand **Why** te reo Māori in our Kura is important:

- te reo is an official language of New Zealand,
- learning te reo Māori helps students to grow as learners.
- the enhanced sense of connection to a rich cultural heritage can be deeply empowering to both Māori and Non-Māori.
- helps everyone develop a cultural understanding.
- te reo provides opportunities for everyone to learn from Māori traditions, customs, and concepts.

Greetings:	**Farewells:**
Mōrena/Āta Mārie *Good morning.* Kia Ora. *Hello*. Tēnā Koe. *Hello (to one person)* Tēnā Kōrua. *Hello (to two people)* Tēnā Kōutou. *Hello (to more than two people)*	Ka kite! *See you! Goodbye.* Ka kite anō! *See you again.* Ka kite i a koe. *See you later!* Ka kite i a kōrua. *See you two later!* Ka kite i a kōutou. *See you all later!* E noho rā/ Noho mai rā! *Goodbye (if you are the one leaving)* Haere rā! *Goodbye. (if you are the one staying)*

Kapa Haka: Whole school (and groups) to learn School Haka and Puketeraki Waiata

CUST SCHOOL PARENT PORTAL / APP Download – computer / phone

We will be utilising this more in the future so please make use of its features.
Cust School is committed to providing the best education possible for your child. To this end, you now have the ability to securely view information about your child through the new Parent Portal and APP.

The @school Parent Portal and App enables parents to receive messages, attendance, and other information directly from their child's school. It ties in with our Student Management System (eTap).

What kind of computer equipment do I need to view the Parent Portal?
Almost any computer with an Internet connection can access the Portal. Make sure you are using a recent version of the most common internet browsers – eg Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari.

What is the @school Parent App?
The @school Parent App enables parents to receive messages, attendance, and other information directly from their child's school. It ties in with our Student Management System (eTap).
Please head to your respective APP store - Google PLAY or Apple App Store and search, ETAP. Then click on the orange @school APP option. You will then be prompted to enter your ID and PASSWORD. You will only ever have to do this once.

We have been advised that Microsoft/Hotmail & Outlook are hiding emails coming from eTAP. They seem to do this at random.

The parents may have to add etap.co.nz to their 'safe list' to receive email sent from eTAP

Click on "Options" in the upper right corner of your Hotmail screen.
Then click the link for "Safe and Blocked Senders" in the body of the page under Junk e-mail.
Click the "Safe Senders" link and enter the email address you want to whitelist.
Click "Add" to put it on your list.

The address is etap.co.nz

SWIMMING:

Swimming Sports (Years 5-8 only)

To compete in the Eyre/Oxford Cluster Swimming Sports (at Dudley) there are recommended times, set by North Canterbury Sports, which the children have to achieve. Over the next few weeks we will be training and timing the children so they should know if they are competing at this event. They might not know exactly what events but this will be sorted out.
Any questions please ask Andrew Burke.

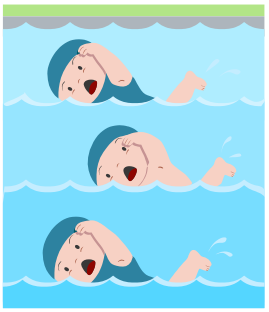
Non Championship Swimming Sports – Cluster – Dudley Pool
Thursday, 23 February, 11am – 2.30pm

This event allows all other children to compete in competitive swimming events but over 25m/widths.

Championship Swimming Sports – Cluster – Dudley Pool
Wednesday, 1 March, 11am – 2.30pm.

This event allows our best swimmers to compete in a competitive swimming sports with the goal of being selected to compete at the Rakahuri and North Canterbury Swimming

Championships.
Note: Children must be Year 5 as a minimum. All events are 50m so are for our capable swimmers.



Important Dates: – **see school website calendar** https://www.cust.school.nz/calendar.html

Regards Robert

COMPLAINTS / BULLYING / CHILD PROTECTION POLICIES

Please find copies of these Cust School's Policies at

http://www.cust.school.nz/bot.html

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS

EDITION 1 IS HOT OFF THE PRESS!

We're celebrating our first Book Club News with a FREE BOOK GIVEAWAY!

Scholastic Book Club continues to evolve and move with the times with a new **Bigger and Better Book Club** in a more sustainable format so we can keep giving back to schools. We continue to offer families regular access to quality, affordable books while partnering with schools and giving back through the Scholastic Rewards program where every order gives 15% back to your school.

The same trusted Book Club, JUST BIGGER & BETTER!

Let parents know they can get up to 3 FREE books on Edition 1:

Receive	When you spend over
1 Free Book	$30
2 Free Books	$50
3 Free Books	$70

LOOP orders only.

To view what books are available go on line - https://www.scholastic.co.nz/schools/book-club/

All parent credit card orders must be placed via the LOOP platform. **You can order online at scholastic.co.nz/LOOP, mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz or via the LOOP mobile apps. NOTE: skip the box that asks for suburb, enter Cust in the school name and then proceed. If you require any help just ring them and they are happy to talk you through. (0800 266 525)**

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RAKAHURI RAGE

Bike For Life 6 Hour Mountainbike Race

ENTER NOW

Rangiora's own 6-hour teams endurance mountainbike race.

5 MARCH 2023

Get your team of 2-4 riders together to race to see which team can complete the most laps of our 6km course in 6 hours.

The course offers a challenge for riders of all skill levels. The race is open to all riders 12 years & older, with a variety of team categories available to enter to suit everyone...

- **Corporate** • **Mixed** • **Family** • **School**
- **Solo riders** (10 only) • **Junior** (12-17 years old)
- **Open Men's & Women's** (18 years & older)
- **Veteran Men's & Women's** (over 35 years)
- **Old Cranks** (over 50 years)

ENTRY FEE (per rider): **Adults $55** **Juniors/Yr 8 $35**
Solo Riders $85

Race start: 10am *(briefing at 9:30am for all riders)*

Based on the Rakahuri Track near West Belt, Rangiora

Look for the Rakahuri Rage on Facebook too

All proceeds from this event go to the MainPower Waiswim Primary Schools Swimming Programme

North Canterbury
SPORT & RECREATION TRUST
active community, healthy lifestyles

NEWS FLASH!
E-bike riders can now take part in the Rakahuri Rage

Pick up an entry form from MainPower Stadium, Rangiora Fitness Centre or Push Bikes

Enter online at...

WWW.RAKAHURI-RAGE.NZ