



CUST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Friday, 31 July, 2020 – Week Two—Term 3

BE YOUR BEST Kia Rawa Pai

WAYS TO BE YOUR BEST - Ask for help when you need it.

There is no such thing as a self-made person; you will reach your goals only with the help of others.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia Ora,

Ski Day

What a stunning day the school had for their ski day. From the reports I have heard, everyone had a great day's skiing and there was lots of "support/encouragement" from the Cust group. I wouldn't expect anything else.

Many thanks to Miriam and Rupert for their organisation on the mountain and to Jennifer for her organisation at school.

We tried a different system, in relation to permission, information and payment this year and we have learnt a lot (as I am sure you did too!)

Our relationship with Porters allows us to enter: (see previous email for further information)

*LOCAL PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS DERBY SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS - Porters
TUESDAY 25 AUGUST*

This race is for Alpine skiers ONLY.

If your child is a competent, competitive ski racer and interested in being part of a Cust Ski Team, could you please let me know by Monday 17 August.

Cost is \$45 per child - paid to the school (via internet banking)

Rakahuri Cross Country

On Wednesday we had a number of children compete at the North Canterbury Cross Country Championships. Fantastic effort by the children as the results below show:

Results (Top 10 Rakahuri)

Year 5 Boys	3rd	James Trimboy	Year 5 Girls	2 nd	Layce Stewart
	6 th	Sam Riley		9 th	Anna Gartery
Year 6 Boys	8 th	Lachlan Mcleod			
Year 7 Boys	4 th	Takoda Kaiser Leyendecker	Year 7 Girls	2 nd	Lily Robotham
				5 th	Samara Van Wyk
Year 8 Boys	10 th	James Gartery	Year 8 Girls	1 st	Alice Barnes
				4 th	Billie McLachlan
				7 th	Emily Pye

Of these we now have the following children competing at the Canterbury Championships in a few weeks' time: James, Sam, Layce, Takoda, Lily, Samara, Alice and Billie.

Speeches

SPEECHES: Be Your Best

We are in the 'dreaded' speech competition time frame.

Why do it?

Public speaking can help us to inspire people and even change the world.

The world really does open up to us when we know how to get our point across and speak with impact.

One of the key ideas we want children to develop is speaking from the heart - share a part of you, connect your story to your message, and connect your message to your audience's own experience - "What does this have to do with me?"

Benefits:

Improved Communication Skills

A big part of successful public speaking is communicating ideas clearly and well. Being a clear communicator takes practice. Public speaking gives children opportunities to practice putting their ideas into words. Children learn a new sense of how to get their own unique, valuable messages across to the world.

The Power of Persuasion and Entertainment:

The main goals of a speech is to convince the audience of something and/or to entertain them. Public speaking programs teach children persuasive skills. One of the most important things leaders know how to do is persuade others (in an interesting and entertaining way). Once children develop this ability, the sky is the limit in terms of the beneficial influence they can have on others.

Many children find the prospect of speaking in front of a group of people to be quite nerve-wracking. It has even been suggested that the reason why so many adults (It is the number one fear for adults!) have a fear of public speaking is because they never learned how to feel comfortable in front of a crowd as a child.

I know teachers have explained to the children and have communicated to parents, through the newsletter or email, the topic and expectations. **Please support your child through this process so they can do their best.** Again...it is a great skill to have i.e. being able to stand up and speak in front of an audience. If there are any questions please ask the classroom teacher.

Cust School speech competition, is to be held in the Multipurpose Room on Thursday 27 August at 7.00pm - all welcome.

Teacher Only Day - Monday 31 August

Please note that we have a Teacher Only Day planned (shifted from Term 2) – Monday 31 August.

SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT - Friday, 7 August

Movie Night – "Trolls World Tour"

Friday, 7 August Multipurpose Room

Junior (Years 1 – 4) movie starts at 5:00 pm sharp and finishes at 6:45 pm.

Senior (Years 5 – 8) movie starts at 7:15 pm sharp and finishes at 9 pm.

Any preschool and Room 4 parents are expected to stay with children.

Bring your own bean bag, floor cushion or pillow and drink bottle. Water refills will be available

Free Entry -This covers entry to movie and a goodie bag.

Any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the PTA - custschoolpta@gmail.com

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.



My Child



Absence



School Notices



Teacher Messages



Favourites



Assessments



Documents



Reports



School Website



Accounts



Newsletters



Sickbay



Calendar



Kindo



School Contact



Settings

Community Drop in



Kia ora, My name is Leanne Willett-Hall. I have been working as a Mana Ake Kaimahi since July 2018 in North Canterbury. I am a Registered Social Worker working in Community Wellbeing North Canterbury. I am excited to be Cust Primary School's new Mana Ake liaison.



MANA AKE
STRONGER FOR TOMORROW

Mana Ake is an early intervention service supporting tamariki, whanau, schools and community with Wellbeing.

I will be in Cust School

7 August Friday morning 8:45am to 9:45am (Staffroom)

17 August Monday afternoon 2:30pm to 3:30pm (Staffroom)

Please feel free to come in to the above room as tea, coffee and biscuits are provided. We want to create a non-judgemental, confidential and welcoming environment to share any concerns. This is a space to receive advice and guidance to empower you to find solutions.

If you prefer an appointment time, please contact ros.stringfellow@cust.school.nz or call 03-312 5753.

Ngā mihi nui

Leanne Willett-Hall

**All Grandparents raising
Grandchildren are invited
for coffee and cake**

**Monthly meetings at
Rangiora RSA
82 Victoria Street
Fridays 9.30AM**

Support - Connection - Guest speakers

19th June 25th September
31st July 23rd October
21st August 20th November

For more information please contact:

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CLASS NEWS:

ROOMS ONE, TWO AND SEVEN

Kia ora whānau

What an amazing start to the week we had with a great ski trip on Monday. The weather certainly played its part and from the stories and photos I have heard and seen, the children had a blast on the mountain. Also well done to the Year 5 & 6 children who ran in the Rakahuri Cross Country on Wednesday. We are all very proud of you and we had some amazing results.

In the three classes this week we have continued on with our Cartoon/Graphic novel units. The children are really enjoying reading something a bit different. In numeracy we started looking at Fractions and in writing the children have started preparing their speeches. The topic for this year is "Be Your Best". Over the next couple of weeks we will be sending home the children's speeches for them to finish and practice.

On topic we have started our World unit looking at and drawing different countries. For art this term we are making clocks and later on in the term we are doing technology challenges. If you have any thick cardboard boxes could you please send them to school for the kids to use.

Ngā mihi nui

Rupert, Shannon, Linda and Eddie

ROOM FIVE

Kia Ora,

This week we have been working really hard on our speeches. We're hoping to have them finished by Monday, we're encouraging children to take them home this weekend to read through with whoever's at home. We are continuing to focus on sophisticated picture books looking at visual language features. They have been coming up with some impressive reflections. In maths we continue to focus on measurement. We have covered area and perimeter in-depth, and we will move onto volume next week.

Each child has begun a Genius Hour project. Please take time to discuss your child's project with them and share any of your own ideas.

Have a lovely weekend,
Eleanor

ROOM THREE

Kia ora,

We are all enjoying a very settled start to Term 3 in Room 3, and our 2 new superstars Alesha and Asher have made a seamless transition from R4 (we are loving having them!)

The children are really enjoying our new Topic on 'Our New Zealand' and have been learning about our provinces, main physical features e.g. Straits, Mountain Ranges, Lakes etc, and finding them on the map. As well we have been creating Holiday Pamphlets on their favourite NZ destinations – which look amazing!

In maths we have started our fractions unit and of course with speeches looming, we have been brainstorming our ideas about this year's topic 'Being our Best'. Writing speeches will be mainly done at school, but please expect students to ask for your support, and any help with typing up and printing the completed efforts would be much appreciated.

How lucky were we with ski day weather this year, and by all accounts much fun was had by all. Back at school we also enjoyed ourselves with some quizzes and outside games.

What a difference longer and lighter days make!!

Nga mihi nui,
Margaret and Ros

ROOM FOUR

Kia ora,

Welcome back to Term 3, it is great to see the students rested and ready to learn.

We welcome to school Taylor Haines, Patrick McCormack and Molly McDonald and wish them all a happy 5th birthday. We also welcome Eva Cassidy-Richards and Grayson Bishop who began their school visits this week.

Last term I noticed the class had an interest in the body and how it works so this term we have started with a unit all about the body. So far we have learnt about our senses in general and sight and hearing in more detail.

In Maths we have been working on Number and Money. One of the students brought an awesome picture book on Sir Edmund Hillary to share with the class after we found his picture on the \$5 note.

This week we have been working on writing our speeches. The students will bring them home each night next week to practice so they will be ready to present them to the class in two weeks' time.

The skiers had an awesome day on the mountain and those that remained at school had a fun afternoon playing hide and seek and a variety of team games in whanau groups.

I would appreciate any boxes and odds and ends for construction as I have come to the end of my supply.

Have a lovely weekend,
Kennys

ROOM SIX

Room 6 have had a busy week learning about visual devices and static images in reading. We are learning to 'read between the lines' of book illustrations, advertisements, and photographs to recognise the messages and themes that the creators are trying to portray. We are then writing responses to these, and attempting our own visual masterpieces. I am very impressed by the depth and standard of work that these students are producing!

We are also chipping away at our speeches. All children should now have produced a reasonable draft of their speech. It would be great if parents could find the time to hear these over the next week as we focus on oral presentation skills.

Later this term, our class will be competing in a fun 'pub quiz' style event against West Eyreton School. Though this is a friendly competition, we are endeavoring to 'be our best', and have been swotting up trivia in class. I encourage you as a family to do the same - there is opportunity for some great dinner-time conversations here!

Have a great weekend,
Miriam Bell

Certificates...

- Room One: Well done Holly for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE – for showing great effort in your reading and maths work. Keep up the awesome work.
- Room Two: Well done Izzy for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE – for terrific understanding in fractions and showing positive participation in completion of her work in Room 2.
Well done Scott for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE – for showing really positive participation in all activities in Room 2. A super role model.
- Room Three: Well done Willow for showing success in Piko's tips – be INDEPENDENT. Willow I was very impressed with your independent reading. You read beautifully with phrasing and great expression. Great job.
Well done Amelia for showing success in Piko's tips – be INDEPENDENT. Amelia, I was very impressed how you wrote and then read your 'Cats are the Best Pets' story on your own. Great work.
- Room Four: Well done Reo for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE – by making good choices in the classroom and in the playground.
Well done Lacey for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE – by being an awesome role model in Room 4.
- Room Five: Well done Esther for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE. You have been working really hard on your speech this term, and we love seeing you work collaboratively in maths.
Well done Caspar for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE. You consistently work hard in class and we love seeing you working collaboratively in maths. Keep it up.
- Room Six: Well done James for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE. Great to see you going out of your way to show kindness and include others on our ski trip.
Well done Oli for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE. Fantastic to see you demonstrating kindness and leadership on our ski trip. Kapa!
- Room Seven: Well done Jed for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE – for being a co-operative member of Room 7.
Well done Petal for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE – for being a co-operative member of Room 7.
Well done Freya for showing success in Piko's tips – PARTICIPATE – for being a helpful member of Room 7.

Cust School
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
to be held at 7.00 p.m. on 5 August 2020

1. Apologies

Order Paper

2. The Chairperson makes the recommendation that the following be accepted unless suspended:

3. **Minutes**

3.1 Minutes of the previous Board of Trustees meeting

4. **Correspondence Outwards**

N/A

5. **Correspondence Inwards**

N/A

6. **Principal's Report (Curriculum)**

- Student Achievement (MOY)
- Year 5/6 Camp
- Term 1 Attendance

7. **Documentation & Self Review Report**

7.1 That the Documentation & Self Review Report be received.

- Self Review (MOY)
- Charter/Strategic Planning
- School Doc's.

8. **Personnel Report**

8.1 That the Personnel Report be received.

9. **Property Report**

9.1 That the Property Report be received

- Classroom Replacement

10. **Finance Report**

10.1 That the Finance report be received.

10.2 That the accounts be received.

- Monthly Accounts

11. **Health and Safety Report**

- Health and Safety – term report

Date of next meeting: 16 September 2020

Last week I included in the newsletter our Concerns and Complaints Process. Please find below our...

CODE OF CONDUCT

Community Conduct Expectations – Positive Behaviour

Cust School is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for students, staff, and visitors.

Our Code of Conduct serves as a reminder to all parents, caregivers, and school visitors that their conduct must support everyone's emotional and physical wellbeing, and not harm it in any way. The school's board has set this Code of Conduct as a condition of entry.

The Code of Conduct applies:

- to all conduct, speech, and action, and includes emails, texts, phone calls, social media, or other communication
- while on school grounds or at another venue where students and/or staff are assembled for school purposes (such as a camp or sports match).

Standards of conduct

Cust School expects parents, caregivers, and visitors to:

- treat everyone with respect
- work together in partnership with staff for the benefit of students
- respect and adhere to our school values
- set a good example for students at all times
- follow school procedures to handle any complaints
- adhere to school policies and procedures (such as those listed below), and any legal requirements.

Examples of unsuitable conduct include:

- threats, bullying, harassment
- profanity/offensive language
- insulting, abusing, or intimidating behaviour
- discrimination (e.g. based on ethnicity, religion)
- physical aggression
- deception/fraud
- damaging school property
- smoking, possessing or using alcohol/drugs/other harmful substances on school premises or at another venue where students and/or staff are assembled for school purposes (except possession or use of alcohol in accordance with school policy)
- placing unreasonable and excessive expectations on staff time or resources
- pursuing a complaint or campaign, or making defamatory, offensive, or derogatory comments, regarding the school, its board, or any staff or students on social media or other public forums
- wearing gang insignia on the school grounds. (This is not allowed under the Prohibition of Gang Insignia legislation, and anyone wearing it will be asked to leave.)

Dealing with breaches of the Code of Conduct

How Cust School deals with breaches of our Code of Conduct depends on the nature of the incident and its seriousness, and the process any witness or victim of the behaviour feels most comfortable with. Examples include:

- documenting each instance of behaviour, including the date, time, place, who was present, what was said (verbatim if possible), how any witness or victim felt and/or responded
- holding a meeting with the relevant person, the principal, and/or board chair (or their delegate) or appropriate staff member to discuss the problem and possible resolution
- issuing a warning letter that outlines the problem and required resolution, and reminds them of the possible outcomes of repeated conduct
- arranging a meeting, which may include restorative practices, as an alternative or in addition to the processes above.

CUST SKI DAY – PORTER HEIGHTS – MONDAY, 27 JULY 2020



COMMUNITY NOTICES

FISH AND CHIPS, AMERICAN HOT DOGS – Thursday, 13 August

All orders need to be in the office by **9.00am**. No late orders as we will not be going down to the hotel.

Please note the following:

- All envelopes (no scraps of paper and notes left on the counter are acceptable), are to be clearly labelled with names (please put full names as we have several children at school with the same Christian names)
- Correct monies (as no change will be given)
- No add-ons of drinks, as this service is solely for the items listed below from the Cust Hotel.

Prices are as follows

1 scoop chips	\$2.00	½ scoop chips	\$1.50
Hot Dog	\$3.00	Fish	\$3.00
Sausage	\$3.00	American Hot Dog	\$3.50
Mince Pie	\$5.50	Mince & Cheese	\$5.50
Hash Browns	\$1.00		

PG DANCE SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

We have Taylor Roberts, Addison Moore and Andrea Walton competing at the National Highland Dance Competition in October.

PG DANCE SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

QUIZ NIGHT

AT THE
FIVE STAGS RANGIORA
TUESDAY 25TH AUGUST 7PM



Get your team together for a great night out with plenty of prizes!
Teams of up to 6 people \$60 per team
Email: pgdancemums@yahoo.com to secure your table.

THE RAIL TRAIL RAMPAGE – SUNDAY, 11 OCTOBER

24km Mountain Bike, 24km Trail Run, 12km Mountain Bike and a 12km Trail Run/Walk event. The Mountain Bike events have both a Family Team and Solo option. Please refer to the website www.railtrailrampage.com for more information.

There will be pony rides, a bouncy castle, artisan stalls and food vendors, plus a Chase the Super Hero kids run – so lots to do for families. Come and play on a slice of Canterbury's history!
ENTRIES OPEN NOW

COME OUT OF YOUR SHELL

DO YOU WANT your child to:

- ✓ Grow in Confidence
- ✓ Increase their Self Esteem
- ✓ Develop Speech and Language skills
- ✓ Express themselves Creative
- ✓ Have Fun and Make Friends
- ✓ Be Part of a Team



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CUST/WEST EYRETON YOUTH GROUP

This group is starting up again this term.

Come along to make friends, play games and learn more about how much God loves you.

The dates for this term are :

1 August, 15 August, 29 August, 12 September, 26 September.

7pm - 8.20pm Saturday nights, 5 Washington Place West Eyreton.

Contact Aidan and Marina Blanchard on 0272671747