



CUST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Friday, 7 June, 2019 - Week Six —Term 2

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

INSPIRATION / RANGA WAIRUA

Personal Inspiration
Hauroa and Wellbeing

Personal Inspiration - Hauroa and Wellbeing

How to help kids feel good and have fun – Part 2

We ultimately want our children to feel loved, secure and happy. So how can we foster their self-esteem and help them feel good?

Think: role models

Keep an eye on what your tamariki are watching, so you can manage their comparisons with fictional TV and YouTube kids.

Offer praise and compliments

Few things will be more important in deciding your child's future than their sense of self-worth. So acknowledge and praise specific things that make your child and whānau special. You might compliment:

- special skills (e.g. drawing, good ideas, skating, singing)
- character strengths (like kindness or a good sense of humour)
- their attempts to try something new, give things a go and persevere.

Show your love

Give hugs, high fives and back rubs, hold their hand, pat their shoulder – show your affection and do things they enjoy! Leave notes in their lunchbox or on their pillow. Describe special shared memories. Make heart-shaped sandwiches. Display photos. Ignore the phone for them. Call when you're away. The little things all add up.

Use a kind voice

Another way to show your love is through your language and tone. The way we talk to and about our tamariki is really important. Talk to your child the way you like to be talked to. Connect before you correct and limit the amount of commands you give. Allow them times to just 'be'.

“JOY IS THE RESULT OF HUMAN CONNECTION” (THE SCIENCE OF PARENTING)

Be their greatest ally

Listen attentively – even to the boring, repeated stories! Laugh at the not-so-funny jokes and acknowledge their big stuff, even if it's not big for you. E.g. “Oh no, your stick broke, it was special. What can we do?” (We promise that if you practice this, it'll feel normal soon!)

Find their super-power

Encourage all the things your tamariki love doing, even if it's not what you're into. While we may love rugby, they may love ballet. It really doesn't matter, as long as they feel good doing it. These small things (like joining the netball team or drawing) may seem trivial, but they could become their favourite passions, the way they find calm or even their careers!

TAKE TIME FOR YOU, TOO!

Week 7:

Next week is going to be very busy here at school.

We have ASB Getwise (Financial Literacy) lessons on Monday and Tuesday and the Life Education Mobile Class visiting for three days – Tuesday through to Thursday. Each class will get 2/3 lessons, which will generally be based around “**Friendships.**”

Examples of concepts which will be covered are:

WHAT IS A FRIEND?

Students explore the qualities of friendship, and what being a friend means, for themselves, and others.

WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF KINDNESS?

How can we show kindness to others? What effects could our actions have?

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At this time of year, we conduct mid-year testing. This involves a range of different assessments on Reading/Writing and Maths. From these results, we will create reports on the children which you will receive later this term with their portfolios, followed by parent interviews in the last week of term. This also provides us with useful data in which to prioritise our classroom teaching and learning programmes and our learning support programme. I will also report on any trends we find in Term Three.

This information also allows children to set goals – either short or long term.

REMEMBER:

You need to work hard to achieve your goal. This includes trying and keep going.

Throughout the year, we ask the children: What is your goal? What needs to be done to achieve it?

CUST SCHOOL – SPELL-ATHON

Term 2 2019

KEEP PRACTISING AND FINDING SPONSORS!

What the children will have to do:

1. The children will be given a list of spelling words (appropriate for them) on **Monday 27 May**
* Note: If you have any questions/concerns, please contact your child’s teacher.
2. Time will be allocated each day during school time for learning and practice to take place, however, the children will be expected to spend 5 to 10 minutes at home practicing their spelling words –
4 weeks
3. **Sponsor Cards handed back on Tuesday 18 June**
4. **The test will be on Thursday 20 June**

How it Works:

1. We are asking you to sponsor the learning of these “spelling words” by “so much money” per word spelt correctly

OR

2. Some parents and friends may prefer to make a donation.

Experience tells us that work places are often very supportive.

WE ASK THAT THE CHILDREN DON’T:

- i. Go around the streets seeking sponsors,
- ii. Sponsor other children at the school.



CERTIFICATES

- Room One: Great work awarded to Ashleigh for being organized for every subject.
Great work awarded to Walter for showing independent work skills.
- Room Two: Great work awarded to Kirah for demonstrating Piko's tips so well. Kirah is always organized and on task. Great independent skills.
Great work awarded to Henry for always showing Piko's tips – being organized and working independently. Fanblimintastic Henry!
- Room Three: Great work awarded to Phoebe for showing Piko's tips in reading. It is absolutely fantastic to see you working independently in reading Phoebe. Well done.
- Room Four: Excellence awarded to T.J. – I love the way you are able to get yourself organized at the start and the end of the day. Well done.
- Room Five: Great work awarded to Connor – you show great independence in class and persevere when things get tough. Keep it up Connor, you are a stunning role model.
Great work awarded to Liz – you are an extremely independent learner. You put your head down and tackle the task. You're so organized that you completed your reading contract before the week had even begun!
- Room Six: Student of the Week awarded to Max for demonstrating fantastic organization and confidence when writing and delivering his Rotary Club speech.
- Room Seven: Well done Billie for showing success in Piko's Tips for applying all of PIKO'S TIPS giving 100% focus and effort.
Well done to Hannah for showing success in Piko's Tips for applying all of PIKO'S TIPS giving 100% focus and effort.

FIXED TERM TEACHER AIDE – Term 3

We are urgently seeking a teacher aide to work 1-1 classroom support for Year 3/4 child for 15 hours per week (3 hours daily) for initially 10 weeks (term time only). There will be some flexibility around these times initially. Starting date beginning of Term Three. There is a possibility hours may continue and / or increase in Term Four.

The successful applicant will be an empathetic and enthusiastic person, who not only relates well with younger children, but is eager to make a difference in the ongoing social and emotional development and learning of a student in his / her care.

In the first case please contact Robert Schuyt

Phone 033125753

robert.schuyt@cust.school.nz

for further information.

ROOMS ONE AND TWO

Kia Ora,

Winter has well and truly arrived over the past week so just a quick reminder to send children with suitable footwear for inside, and possibly a change of clothes for our more exuberant!

This week we have been continuing our art topic with sketching and folk dancing being the current focus. We are looking forward to beginning 'clay' in the next week or two - as our new visual art strand.

In literacy Mrs Falconer and Mrs String's groups are still working on identifying the components of a myth/legend in order to write their own, and Mr Fosketts' Boys group are writing on a variety of topics such as pirates and other things boys are interested in. We have also published several stories to share.

Maths is still number during the week, and we have begun a unit on Geometry (shape) for strand on Fridays.

Next week will be a busy one with the Life Education Caravan visiting together with the ASB 'Getwise' facilitator as well as all the usual!

Enjoy your weekend,
Eddie, Linda, Aimee and Ros

ROOM SIX AND SEVEN

I would like to thank Mrs Winson for teaching Room 7 alongside Mrs Bell in my absence. It was very much appreciated to be able to step back into the senior classroom with all of the children settled and working hard!

We are back in full swing with a new and exciting project in Topic - 'Enterprise'. This has been explained and introduced to whanau in our Term Two newsletter that you will have received at the beginning of this term. Students from Room's 5, 6 and 7 were introduced to this concept this week. It involves our tamariki forming groups of four. They have applied for jobs and are designing a product to sell at a Cust School market afternoon at the end of the term.

As a group the students have been looking initially at what qualities/skills a successful entrepreneur needs. After discussion and with support we wrote our Curriculum Vitae, applying for a position in one of the three classrooms to then form our business groups. Tamariki have negotiated within their groups deciding on a product (within a budget) they could create and market - then they compiled business plans. We look forward to working alongside the students in this very worthwhile learning.

In Mathematics we are currently studying fractions, decimals and percentages. Alongside this, we are encouraging students to maintain their basic facts, instant recall being so important as we work through all other maths strands.

Next week we look forward to the ASB 'Get-Wise' programme and the Life Education mobile classroom visiting Cust.

Keep warm!!

Nga mihi,

Miriam, Annmaree and Robert.

ROOM FOUR

I hoped you all enjoyed the long weekend and the arrival of winter!

It has been a busy couple of weeks. We have finished learning about Temperature in Maths and are now talking about money in preparation for the ASB Get Wise programme next week. The children are at the same time working on their Number goals – learning about the numbers from 1-10, groups with 5 and skip counting in 5's to 50.

In topic we have finished talking about facial expressions and have moved on to talking about what makes a good friend and how we can be a good friend to others.

We are also learning about Fire Safety and will be visiting the Cust Fire Station on Monday 17 June from 11am. If anyone is free to help with supervision at that time please let me know.

Life Education is also visiting next week. We have two sessions in their mobile classroom and we are looking forward to catching up with Harold the Giraffe.

Enjoy your weekend and stay warm,
Kennys

ROOM FIVE

We've had a great few weeks in Room 5.

Our literacy has been focused on Space, and this week we're doing our own research projects into areas that interest us.

We've started our Geometry unit, beginning with making nets of 3D shapes. Later in the week we'll begin doing some isometric drawing. This is alongside The Block.

Enterprise is coming along nicely with business plans nearly complete. We will be making our products in the coming weeks which is very exciting.

Have a great weekend!

Eleanor Smith

ROOM THREE

On Wednesday was Room 3's visit to Orana Wildlife Park. My in-class teaching was tested from the get go, as students were asked what the term "Endangered" means, and let's just say we are still working on it.

Although it was cold we were constantly on the move between animal enclosures and had the opportunity to view many different exotic animals including African Wild dogs, Ammex, Gorilla, Orangatan, Cheetah, Rhinosaurus, Giraffes and Lions.



The students had a lovely time feeding the Giraffe before moving inside to have some lunch of our own. Following lunch we resumed our tour and continued onto the endemic birds where the students were excited to see the Tui, Kea, Kereru, Kakariki, Whio and Bellbird.



This led us to our final attraction which was the feeding of the Kiwi where Room 3 had front row seats to this special occasion.

Overall, the trip was a great success and a huge thank you, once again, needs to go out to the parents who volunteered their time to make this trip possible.



The experiences and memories of our visit have set the students up well for the remainder of the topic which is where we will now tackle the exotic animals.

Have a fantastic weekend
James

PTA NEWS

The PTA AGM is scheduled for Tuesday, 18 June at 7.30 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room, for any who would like to attend. This will be followed with our regular monthly PTA meeting.

Due to some issues with booking the Community Centre, the PTA have decided to swap the Disco and Movie Night. More details to come.



Movie Night - Friday 21 June
Disco - Friday 9 August

Entertainment Membership Fundraiser

Cust School PTA receives 20% from every Membership sold, so tell your family and friends to support us as well. Still only \$70. Enjoy thousands of offers for everything you love to do – 2-for-1 offers, special rates and up to 50% off on activities, dining, shopping, travel and leisure. You can order online at www.entbook.co.nz/136p123 or from the school office.

For more information or to arrange collection contact Kate Powell, 0272295026 email oldschoolpowells@xtra.co.nz

For more information/contact details:

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FISH AND CHIPS, AMERICAN HOT DOGS – Thursday, 20 June

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

**Note prices for some items have increased.

LUNCH TIME BIBLE IN SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

The lunch time Bible in School programme will run again this year, beginning in the next couple of weeks on a Thursday for Years 5-8 and on a Friday for Years 1-4.

The junior group held on a Friday will run from 12.30pm to 1pm. The senior group which offers a fuller programme every alternate week, will continue the activity based programme making sushi for sale for school lunches. The fuller senior programme alternates between this charitable work and a Bible story/lesson every other week.

If you would like your child or children to come to a half hour once a week lunch time Bible in School programme, kindly fill in the form below and return it to the school office.

Please return to School Office

I give _____ from Year _____ permission to attend the Bible in School programme for half an hour, once a week, during lunch time.

Name _____ Signed _____ Contact Phone Number _____

Date _____

DENTAL CARE DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The Community Dental Service will be providing dental care for children enrolled with our service during the upcoming school holidays. The clinics will offer treatment and relief of pain sessions by appointment only. To make an appointment please contact our Call Centre which operates between the hours of 8am and 5pm, Monday to Friday throughout the year.

The following Dental Clinics will be open during these school holidays:

- **Northcote Clinic, 24 Tuckers Road, Casebrook**
- **Hillmorton Clinic, Hillmorton Hospital, Sylvan Street,**
- **Ashburton Clinic, 38 Elizabeth Street, Ashburton**
- **Timaru Clinic, Level 1, 18 Woollcombe Street, Timaru**

The clinics will offer appointments between 8.45am and 3.00pm for school-age and preschool children requiring treatment.

If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

To book an appointment at one of our clinics please: **call 0800 846 983**

Or email commdental@cdhb.health.nz

COMMUNITY NOTICES

UNIT FOR RENT IN CUST

1 bedroom suitable for single or couple. Available Mid-June. Phone Marianne 021 1394969.

FIREWOOD FOR SALE

Dry Old Man Pine – 3mtrs \$290 Del., 4 mtrs \$380 Del., 5 mtrs \$470 Del.

Contact Stan or Michelle 0274209146 or 3125303 please leave a message. Stan-Michelle@farmside.co.nz

\$10 donation going to school for any 3mtr or more load sold.

CUST/OXFORD STJOHN AREA COMMITTEE

You are invited to the AGM being held Wednesday, 19 June 2019 at 7.30pm.

Venue: Cust Community Centre.

This will be our last AGM as our committee will soon be amalgamated with three other local committees.

Reports will be presented, followed by supper.

Thanks
Liz Smith
Secretary

INTERESTED IN ROADING ISSUES IN THE CUST AREA?

Come and hear WDC Utilities & Roading Manager Gerard Cleary speak on Monday 10 June 7.30pm in the Cust School Multipurpose Room.

The Cust Community Network AGM will follow, including an announcement about the Cust Rural Recycling Facility. Everyone is welcome, come for a cuppa and a chat with neighbours.

For more information email custvillage@gmail.com or contact Chairperson Kirstyn Barnett on 021 312 230.

GRAZING WANTED

For 6 cows for the next 3 months. Cust area. Phone Tim Gorton 027 4642186.