



# CUST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Friday, 10 May, 2019 - Week Two —Term 2

## ***School Focus for the Year***

INSPIRATION / RANGA WAIRUA

### **FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

The classes have been very settled this week at school with lots of exciting learning happening in each of the Rooms. A big focus this week has been on preparing the children for the up coming Cross Country event being held at Cust Domain on Thursday 16 May. All the children have been training hard and are looking forward to participating. If it is raining on Thursday we will advise people via text re cancellation or postponement date.

Next week we welcome back AnnMaree and Robert from their travels. We are looking forward to hearing about their adventures. A massive thank you to Kathryn Winson for working in Room 7 over the last two weeks.

We welcome the Cust Community making use of the school grounds at the weekend, but would appreciate all equipment e.g tables/benches to be returned to where they were originally, and treated with respect. Thank you.

Have a great weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone at the school Cross Country on Thursday.

### **Piko's TIPS (Key for Success) for this term is –**

#### **Be – INDEPENDENT**

- CONFIDENT
- RESILIENT
- ORGANISED

These will be discussed within each class and will also be the focus for our weekly assembly awards

Eddie and Ros

### **Upcoming Dates for Term 2**

Tuesday 14 May	PTA meeting
Thursday 16 May	School Cross Country
Friday 17 May	Girls' 'Have a go' rugby
Thursday 23 May	Eyre Cluster Cross Country Rangiora High School open day
Friday 24 May	Weekly Sports Starts
Tuesday 28 May	Rangiora High School open day (second one)
Wednesday 29 May	Rakahuri Cross Country
Thursday 30 May pp day	Rakahuri Cross Country
Monday 3 June	Queen's Birthday
Wednesday 26 June	BOT meeting
Monday 1 July/Tuesday 2 July	Three Way Conferences
Tuesday 2 July	Winter Tournament
Wednesday 3 July pp day	Winter Tournament
Friday 5 July	End of Term 2.

## ROOMS ONE AND TWO

Kia Ora,

What lovely autumn weather we are having – long may it continue!

This week we have been completing our friendship unit for topic, continuing number in maths and undertaking a variety of fun activities to build skills and techniques in our three writing groups. There has been a distinct focus on cross country training in readiness for next Thursday's school wide event at the Cust Domain, and we have spotted some 'jump jam' training taking place with Mrs Pester, which will begin in week 4.

In Room 2 this week we also welcome Miss Aimee Hodgson, a COE teacher trainee who will be with us for the next 7 weeks. We all enjoy having student teachers with us here at Cust, and hope she finds her professional practice equally as rewarding.

We also need to acknowledge and sincerely thank Kate Cain (Occupational Therapist) who has voluntarily been coming into our classes over the 3 months and working with a number of students to assist and support their learning. Her experience and knowledge is so useful and relevant (and is already proving successful) - it really does highlight the importance of having such people on our school teams as has been suggested in some quarters.

As well, a big thank you to the senior students who have supported the staff with lunchtime supervision of junior children over the past two weeks - it has been appreciated.

Next week we have the cross country and a new focus in topic to look forward to.

Enjoy your weekend,  
Eddie, Linda & Ros

## ROOM THREE

Kia ora

It has been a busy start to Term 2 as Room 3 settle back into class routines. It has been great to see the energy they are bringing to class and the enthusiasm and diligence they are exhibiting in all their class work.

Our topic of Endangered Animals has been the focus of writing as the students have been given the task of coming up with their own creative sentences about native birds using alliteration. Room 3 are fit and ready for next week's cross country as we have been building up our fitness and knowledge of pre-run stretches. The statistics unit is now finished and as part of the unit we made pictographs and bar graphs about eye colour, hair colour, toy animals and native birds and then analysed them. Reading has been running smoothly with the additional help of Margaret Aplin who has been a fantastic addition to Room 3.

Finally, we have been learning all kinds of things about native animals in topic and are now studying native birds to coincide with the Orana Wildlife Park visit.

James



## ROOM FOUR

We welcome Lacey Traynor, Tom Riley, Hunter Brown, Lexi Gillespie, Addison Moore and Harper Reynolds to school and wish them all a very happy 5<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The children are continuing with their own goals for reading, phonics, writing and maths. In topic we are talking about facial expressions. We have looked at happy and sad faces and identified times when we feel these emotions.

The children are in training for the school Cross Country next Thursday. You are welcome to come and watch and support them. Let's hope for fine weather!

This week is NZ Sign Language Week so the children have been learning to sign their names and we read a story to Assembly in sign language yesterday.

Here are a couple of signs to use at home:



please

*koa*



thank

*mihi*

Enjoy your weekend,  
Kennys

## ROOM FIVE

Kia Ora,

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday, it sounds like it from all the stories that came back to school on Monday. We've had a fabulous first few weeks back.

Inspired by reading with the juniors, we're all publishing a piece of writing, many have chosen to write a story to share with a younger student in a few weeks' time.

We're reading about inspirational people and have been truly inspired by some of their stories. While answering comprehension questions, we're learning to prove and explain our response.

Maths has started with a hiss and a roar. The children are designing homes on 'The Block'. While learning new skills like calculating area and working with decimals, they're revising skills like multiplying, adding and subtracting. This is running alongside Basic Facts practice, number knowledge teaching (like rounding decimals and doubling and halving) and operations practice, with children in groups according to need. We're a busy bunch!

I was absolutely blown away by the children's grit and determination last week running with the year sevens and eights to the cemetery. It's about 3km and every single child made it without stopping. They should feel very proud of that! We had a lot of fun along the way too.

Have a fantastic weekend!  
Eleanor

## **ROOMS SIX AND SEVEN**

In Room 6 and 7 this week, we have had a great time working on our 'Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego?' geography unit. We have been solving clues, exploring landmarks, researching a variety of locations, creating wonders of the world, and tracking our adventures on a world map. It has been great seeing the children engaged and motivated in their learning; working before school, at home, and during breaks.

We have also been practising our cross country running, increasing both our speed and endurance. I am so proud of the progress being made by the class. The sense of pride that comes from improving and becoming stronger is as valuable as 'winning' - keep up the great work, Year 7-8!

We have enjoyed having Mrs Winson working with us over the past few weeks. We look forward to welcoming Mr and Mrs Schuyt back next week after a special visit with their daughter overseas.

Have a great weekend,  
Miriam Bell

## **CLASS CERTIFICATES**

- Room One: Well done to Scott for showing success in Piko's tips for being organised and showing a huge improvement in Numeracy.  
Well done to Walter for showing success in Piko's tips for showing great focus and independence in completing his holiday destination brochure. Fantastic effort.
- Room Two: Well done Charlotte for showing success in Piko's tips for showing an impressive improvement in her reading comprehension. Super results Charlotte!  
Well done Anna for showing success in Piko's tips for showing independence in completion of her maths work and speed and accuracy in her Basic Facts. Well done Anna.
- Room Three: Excellence awarded to Kasahn for your lovely writing. You have made huge improvements in both the quality and quantity of your writing Kasahn. Well done.  
Excellence awarded to Lachlan for your amazing focus in class. You are implementing Piko's tip of being independent with great diligence. Well done.
- Room Four: Excellence awarded to Mackenzie, Sonora, Evie, Adam and Amelia – well done, you got all your spelling right in Term 1.
- Room Five: Excellence awarded to Caspar. You've got such a positive attitude in everything you do. Your maths has blown me away this week.  
Excellence awarded to Katelyn Gough. You are a very skilled writer. It's clear when reading your work that you take on everything you've learnt to improve your writing. Well done.
- Room Six: Great work awarded to Blake K. for fabulous creative writing this week.  
Great work awarded to Jodie for excellent work on our 'Piko's Tips' reading unit.
- Room Seven: Well done to Sam G. for showing success in Piko's tips. I am impressed with your organisation and independence in working through your topic activities.  
Well done to Emily for showing success in Piko's tips for showing super independence and organisation skills in doing reading activities at home. Well done.

## **SCHOOL DONATION AND ACTIVITY INVOICES**

We do ask that you pay your donation and activity fee either by cheque or through internet banking – Cust Board of Trustees ref School Donation 03 1592 0074218 00. Tax deductible!

If payment of any school activity is an issue, you are welcome to pay it off in smaller payments. Parents/caregivers are welcome to contact me for a private discussion on how we can help.

**CUST SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY**

Thursday, 16 May, at Cust Domain. (postponement day Monday 20 May)

Start Time: Assemble in cars 10.10 am at school  
Instructions 10.30 am at Domain  
First Race 10.40 am

Race Times / Distances (approx.)

Year 7/8 Boys/Girls	10.40 am	(3 km / 3 laps)
Year 1/2 Boys	10.50 am	(500m / 1 lap)
Year 1/2 Girls	10.55 am	(500m / 1 lap)
Year 6 Boys/Girls	11.00 am	(2km / 2 laps)
Year 3/4 Boys	11.15 am	(1km / 2 laps)
Year 3/4 Girls	11.20 am	(1km / 2 laps)
Year 5 Boys/Girls	11.25 am	(2km / 2 laps)

Finish approximately 12 noon.

We will be timing this year’s event using times from the North Canterbury Sports Trust.

Runners to wear suitable footwear and have named warm clothing for after their race.  
Children should have a light morning tea. All children should bring a drink for after the race.

Please complete the transport slip below and return to school by **Monday, 13 May**.

**NOTE:** If not taking your own child and they require a car seat, please send theirs along with them that morning. Thank you.

**CROSS COUNTRY – CUST DOMAIN**

PUPIL’S NAME:.....

ROOM:.....

I can / cannot assist with transport to / from the Cust Domain and can provide transport for [ ] children.

My car has a current WOF, registration and I am a licensed driver.

Signed.....

**FISH AND CHIPS, AMERICAN HOT DOGS – Thursday, 23 May**

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

\*\*Note prices for some items have increased.

## **BOT ELECTIONS:**

### **Election theme**

The 2019 election theme is "Step forward for our schools". We aim to encourage potential candidates to think about the difference they can make in the lives of Kiwi children.

The Board of Trustee Elections are held in accordance with provisions contained in the Education Act 1989 and the Education (School Trustee Elections) Regulations 2000.

The regulations require:

- The Returning Officer must call for nominations by –
  - (a) Posting or personally delivering a notice to each person named on the roll; and
  - (b) Publishing a notice in a newspaper circulating in the area of the school.
- An individual envelope for each voter (even if two voters have the same address)
- Inside the envelope there needs to be a nomination form and the election notice

Envelopes have been posted this week. If for any reason you do not receive one, please contact me, so that we can double check your address and details. The advertisement in the Northern Outlook appeared on Wednesday, 8 May.

## **CUST SCHOOL Board of Trustees Elections**

Nominations are invited for the election of five parent representatives and one staff representative to the Board of Trustees.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form.

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the School Office.

Nominations close at noon on Friday 24 May 2019 and may be accompanied by signed candidates' statements.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

Voting closes at noon on 7 June 2019.

*Jennifer Thompson*  
Returning Officer

### **KEY DATES**

11 April	Main Roll open for inspection
8 May	Close main roll
8 May, after noon	Open supplementary roll
10 May	Call for nominations
22 May, noon	Close supplementary roll
24 May, noon	Nominations close
By 29 May	Post voting information (if necessary)
7 June, noon	Election Day – close voting
13 June	Votes counted
	Declare final results
14 June	Board takes office

Jennifer Thompson  
Returning Officer

## PTA NEWS

### Second Hand Uniform

Second hand uniform is available from the small room opposite the office.

See Mrs Thompson for the key. Items are available for a gold coin donation. If purchasing, please pay at the school office, and don't forget to relabel these items.

If donating items, please leave them at the school office - clean and in good used condition (no stains or holes). Remove the name tags.

For more information/contact details:

Website: [www.cust.school.nz](http://www.cust.school.nz) (School Info Tab)

Facebook: Cust School Parent Teacher Association

Email: [custschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:custschoolpta@gmail.com)

Cust School PTA Bank Account: 03 1783 0502131 03

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Brochures have been sent home. If you would like to place an order refer to payment information in the brochure. *All parent credit card orders must be placed via the LOOP platform.* You can order online at [scholastic.co.nz/LOOP](http://scholastic.co.nz/LOOP), [mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://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)

Returns need to be in by **9am Friday, 17 May.**

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### LOST

Two polar fleeces from end of Term One, both named with Luca Morrison-Dale, one was new. One with logo and one without. Can you please return to Room One.

### ANZAC DAY POPPIES

You will have received, last term, an envelope with some poppies in that we distribute on behalf of the Cust-West Eyreton RSA. Please return the envelope with your donation per poppy, or any unwanted poppies to the school office as soon as possible. It would be appreciated. Thank you.

### FUNDRAISER FOR WAIMAK 13<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FOOTBALL TEAM

The team are travelling to Queenstown in October for a South Island Tournament and as a fundraiser are making Butter Chicken.

\* \$10 per serve.

\* Comes in a standard takeaway container.

\* Will be being made fresh so can be frozen.

\* Is Gluten Free. \* Not Dairy Free

\* Comes with rice.

Orders and cash need to be in by Friday 24th May for delivery the following week. I can pick up cash and deliver containers to Cust School for those interested. Please contact Jo 021 207 0184.

### NORTH CANTERBURY WEARABLE ARTS EVENT – 31 AUGUST

Oxford's Wearable Arts has been renamed "North Canterbury Wearable Arts" and will hold its show in the Rangiora Town Hall this year. Matinee – 2.00pm and evening 7.00pm.

Student and adult entries close on 22 July. (A copy of the entry form is available from Cust School Office. Enquiries to Oxford Area School 3124197 or Jane Anderson 021 073 5844 or [jane@oxford.school.nz](mailto:jane@oxford.school.nz))

# Calendar of Events Oxford Winter Lights Festival

(Subject to change)

## Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June

*Oxford Farmers Market Plant Sale*

## Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> June

*Roller Disco Oxford GP Hall 6.30-8.30pm*

**\$8 per person. Glow sticks for the kids. All ages welcome including Adults!**

**Organised by OxBox and Oxford Community Trust**

## Saturday, 15 June to 23 June –

*Businesses and homes lit up with Festive Lights*

## Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> June

*Oxford Farmers Market*

**Flax Weaving – Kapahaka Performance**

**Tree Trail Competition**

## Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> June

*Children's Light Story Time with stories, songs and glow sticks*

**Oxford Library 5.30pm – 7pm**

## Friday, 21 June 4 – 8pm

*Friday Family Fun Night*

*Market, Food, Activities, Entertainment and Shopping*

**Pearson Park, Main St Oxford**

*LED Entertainment 6 - 8pm*

*Oxford Area School KapaHaka 6pm*

*Zumba 7pm*

*DJ with Ryan on Stage*

*"Children's Mini Garden Container*

*Competition" entries by 3.30pm*

## *Free Activities*

*Art Gallery*

*Flax Weaving*

*Create a Wooden Medallion*

*Oxford Pavilion*

**"Cookie Creations" Aimed at children but available to anyone who wants to have a go.**

**Cookies, icing and decorations on hand.**

**"Poi Making" Materials supplied. Learn how to make a poi with Janne from Jannz Craft Store**

*Free Face Painting*

*Free Springfree Trampoline by James*

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

## Saturday, 22 June

*Oxford Town Hall - Agape Dance Performance - 2.30pm*

*Oxford Town Hall - Children's winter themed movie 6.30pm*

**Sponsored by the Oxford Benevolent and Improvement Society (OB&I)**

## Sunday, 23 June

*Oxford Farmers Market - Prizes for Best Lit Premises 11am*

*Rockers of Ages Concert - Oxford Town Hall 2pm*

**An Oxford Promotions Event**