



30 March 2022

Tēnā tātou katoa e te whānau

Dobar dahn, Nabad, Hola, Ciao, Ni hao, Namaste, Valttukkal, Abhinandan, Subhakansalu, Grīṭigaza, Talofa, Bonjour, Χαρειόματα, Grüß Gott, Zdravím, Приветствия, Sawasdee, Konnichiwa, Pozdrowenia, Selamlar, Guten Tag, Salaam, Salama Aleikum, Leikum Zdras-Tvuy-Te, Ahn-Young-Ha-Se-Yo, Marhaba, Nay Hoh, Ayubowan, Xin Chào, Kia Orana, Shalom

Instalment 3 Culture & Family Tradition in Pohutukawa



Sarah brought along a beautiful quilt made for her daughters. Sarah comes from a family of creators; her mother, grandmother, aunt and mother-in-law gave Sarah pieces of fabric for the quilt. Sarah told the children about their birthday traditions; where she and her sister used to pour over the Australian Women's Birthday Cake Book to choose which cake they'd like.

This started the ball rolling and the children were quick to share their family traditions:

Rafferty- Usually at Easter I do a Easter egg hunt.

Artemis- My family's tradition is playing games and going to our cousin's place to play games.

Thea- I go to the beach and stay with aunty and uncles at Christmas.

Patrick- Every St Patricks day I go to a parade.

Draven- We were dropping cherries from the apartment...John was the biggest one so he won. I might do Diwali because NZ does that and I might do cakes. In my book is a Diwali and fireworks. I love Diwali because it gives you good luck, yah it's real.

Later in the week the children extended this to writing. First, drawing pictures to depict their traditions:

Emma: In my family I celebrate birthdays and Easter.

Duong: I celebrate Christmas by decorating a tree and getting presents. I celebrate my birthday.

Vireaboth: I celebrate Santa's birthday and give him lollies and gingerbread and cake and milk.

Patrick: In my family I celebrate....HALLOWEEN and I knock on my parents doors and on St Patricks Day I watch a parade with Irish drums.

Erina: In my family I celebrate birthdays and I go to a Japanese fair festival and I celebrate Christmas and I celebrate Halloween. I go trick or treating. I go to someones house and say trick or treat. I get treats.



Ngaio' Writers

I also observed in Ngaio. The learning and teaching was all about constructing persuasive argument choosing and using effective language devices. Do these pieces persuade you?

Nobody Should Litter *by Beau*

It is outrageous when you see someone litter. It happens way too often. It is terrifying knowing that this is probably going to get worse, but it should not. Full stop! It has to stop. If it doesn't there will be nothing in sight other than rubbish. It is one of the dumbest things humans do. It is extraordinary that some people actually think that littering is a good idea. With each passing day more rubbish is decorating the streets in a disgusting way.

Littering is horrid for the environment. For example: that stupid litter blows into the ocean. In the ocean the trash will be disguised as food. Then the "delicious" food kills the animals. It can also cause pollution. Another reason why littering is terrible for the environment is that it stops plants growing. How you ask? It happens like this: someone walks along, drops some rubbish on a tiny, tiny sprout. Now the sprout cannot get water and sunlight. Also it has nowhere to magic itself into a tree.

Littering is stupid as it is just like "why can you not just recycle?" With recycling you are reusing plastic and helping the environment. This way less plastic is made and the streets will not be as disgusting. It is bonkers that some people do not recycle.

Rubbish makes places look like a dump. With too much trash somewhere, people think: um, what happened here? People do not like places as much with litter on them, it just ruins the whole moment when there is too much gunk. Basically it just doesn't make the cut.

If you litter you could be wasting people's time. You chuck trash, then sometimes an amazing person will pick it up. People do not want to use precious time picking up a pizza box with a rotten, dark brown apple core on top. That horrible moment should have been: relaxing, enjoyable and fun. People do not have to pick gunk up, except they do it nonetheless because they know it will get worse and they are the only ones who can stop it.

It should stop now - this littering biz. But sadly it may never. Nonetheless littering needs to stop NOW. It is easier to recycle, it wastes people's time, it is bad for the environment, and it makes places look like the remains of a prehistoric half-eaten taco.

Should people move to New Zealand? *By Laura*

Aotearoa/New Zealand is one of the most beautiful countries in the world. With some of the most iconic places such as Aoraki/Mount Cook (the tallest mountain in New Zealand), the Southern Alps and the freezing Fox Glacier, plus many more fantastic places. In summer time our beaches are scorching hot and you'll find an ice cream truck nearby. So in my opinion people should visit or move to New Zealand.

New Zealanders or kiwis are known for being very friendly people. We will welcome and greet visitors with pride and help if needed. If they fly with Air New Zealand, flight attendants are very happy to assist their needs. Everywhere you go in New Zealand people will respect you and give you a helping hand.

New Zealand has contained the Covid-19 crisis remarkably. Covid-19 entered New Zealand a little while after the pandemic had started so we had time to prepare for what was coming. If you compare the number of deaths and Covid cases in New Zealand with the world, our numbers are sure to be smaller. New Zealand is starting to loosen the restrictions on how long you must isolate for, so if you don't want to isolate that is a positive. Also the vaccination rates are very high.

Laura Continues

If you love to go outside and go on a walk or a cycle New Zealand is the perfect place for you. There are many bush walks and trails all over Aotearoa with wonderful views. If you walk up Mt Kaukau you can get a glimpse of the South Island. When you walk on one of our breathtaking bush walks you will be surrounded by so many of New Zealand's native birds, like the kiwi, fantail, kea, morepork, tui and pukeko and many more.

New Zealand is a very diverse country. We accept so many different cultures and religions. People from all over the world have moved to New Zealand. In schools a number of children speak more than one language. When you're just out and about you're bound to find someone who is from the same country as you, especially when you least expect it. I remember when I migrated and my parents were trying to find a school that was diverse so I would fit in, and it wasn't hard to find that school because look where I am now.

In conclusion New Zealand is a beautiful country with many walks to go on with some amazing scenery, lower risk for you to get sick and people from all over have already moved here. In my opinion I don't see why anyone shouldn't move to amazing Aotearoa.

REMINDER

POLICY REVIEWS TERM 1

In term one, the focus is on the **Health and Safety Management and Emergency, Disaster, and Crisis Management** sections

You will note a number of policies are optional. Just remember, there are links embedded in some policies and additional information at the end. You can click onto the links and additional information for more detail.

Key Reviews

Visitors
Contact in an emergency
School Closure
Earthquakes
Covid-19 Information and Procedures
Covid-19 Red

Optional

Tsunami
Covid-19 Orange
Covid-19 Vaccinations
Covid 19 Green

Instructions to access Policies

- Google Schooldocs login;
- click on [SchoolDocs - Policies and Procedures Made Easy](#);
- go to *Search for your school* click on it;
- on the next page write *Clyde Quay School* in the search bar;
- Username: ClydeQuay Password: diversity;
- at the top of the next page click on the tab *Current Review*;
- click on the link for *key policies as listed above*;
- use the red speech bubble to send feedback to Schooldocs.

All feedback due by 7 April

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CQS Covid-19 Update

Covid-19 cases reported in our student community are trending downwards, which is great news.

Current case numbers:

Staff: 1

Staff: as a household contact of a positive case

Students: 5

Breakdown per class:

Harakeke: 0

Pohutukawa: 1

Karaka: 1

Ngaio: 2

Rimu: 1

There are a further 3 children away as they are household contacts of a positive case.

Breakdown per class:

Harakeke: 1

Pohutukawa: 0

Karaka: 1

Ngaio: 0

Rimu: 1

If your child tests positive, please let the school know immediately.

Common symptoms of COVID-19 are like those found with illnesses such as a cold or influenza. You may have one or more of the following:

- new or worsening cough
- sneezing and runny nose
- fever
- temporary loss of smell or altered sense of taste
- sore throat
- shortness of breath

Less common symptoms of COVID-19 may include diarrhoea, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, malaise, chest pain, abdominal pain, joint pain or confusion/irritability. These almost always occur with one or more of the common symptoms.

Symptoms tend to arise around two to five days after a person has been infected but can take up to 14 days to show. The virus can be passed onto others before they know they have it – from up to two days before symptoms develop.

Wellington City Council are redeveloping the playground at Frank Kitts Park to make it an even cooler place to play. Works started in January and the new playground is expected to be completed by October 2022.

Clyde Quay School was asked by WCC if they would like to participate in producing a mural. See below Ngaio's mural which will be on display surrounding part of the area around Frank Kitt's redevelopment park. Amazing piece of art done by Ngaio whanau, teachers and Hana.

<https://wellington.govt.nz/your-council/projects/frank-kitts-playground-redevelopment>





TIME TO UPDATE!

Our school uses **The Skool Loop App** to communicate and send important information. **Please check** your app store to ensure your phone is running the **latest** version and receiving **all school news**.

The app undergoes regular maintenance and updates throughout the year. **Check your app store** to ensure your phone is running the **latest version!**



WINTER NETBALL FOR YEARS 5 - 8

The winter season of netball, which starts on 14 May 2022, is organised by Motu Kairangi Netball with games being played on Saturdays at Evans Bay Intermediate School (EBIS), Tacy Street, Kilbirnie.

Winter netball is played by years 5 to 8 and is arranged as follows:

Year 5/6 - 6 aside games played between 11am and 1 pm; and

Year 7/8 - 7 aside games played between 9am and 11 am.

Both girls and boys can play and the cost is \$80 for the season (Terms 2 and 3), which will be loaded on Kindo for payment.

If your child is interested in playing please email Sarah Eglinton, the CQS co-ordinator for winter netball, at libbyandsarah@xtra.co.nz by **Wednesday 6 April 2022**.

When emailing, please provide the following details:

- Student's name;
- Year student is in at CQS;
- Parent/caregiver's name;
- Email address for parent/caregiver; and
- Telephone number for parent/caregiver.

Once Sarah has a list of players for both the Year 5/6 and Year 7/8 teams, she will email all parents/caregivers from those teams to ask for volunteers to coach, manage and if possible umpire the team.

While we can ask college students to umpire for us, at a cost, we cannot register the teams without a coach and a manager, so please consider taking on one of these roles to ensure the team can be registered. There is a coaching course which can be attended prior to the start of the season for those considering the coaching role.

In addition to this, the team has to provide parent volunteers (not the coach or the manager), one Saturday each term, to help with the sausage sizzle and other tasks run by Motu Kairangi at the venue.

For more information, please visit the Motu Kairangi Netball website: www.mknetball.co.nz and if you still have any questions please contact Sarah Eglinton on 027 5110050 (afterhours/weekends).

School Calendar

Term 1 2 February—14 April 2022	
6 April	Parent Teacher Interviews <i>Information below</i>
7 April	Parent Teacher Interviews <i>Information below</i>
11 April	BOT meeting 6.30pm
14 April	Last day of Term 1, school finishes at the normal time of 3.00pm
15—29 April	Good Friday-School Holidays
2 May	Start of Term 2

Parent/Teacher Interviews are scheduled and confirmed for Term 1:

[Harakeke, Pohutukawa, Karaka, Ngaio and Rimu](#)
[—Wednesday 6 April and Thursday 7 April 2022](#)

[\(Note: Parents please ensure you book with the relevant teacher for your child's interview, please check your emails\)](#)

Bookings are now open ONLINE for Parent-teacher Interviews which are being held over these dates Wednesday 6 April and Thursday 7 April 2022.

Four easy steps to book ONLINE:

1. Log on to <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>
2. Enter event code **5txsz**
3. Select GO
4. Follow through with steps 1, 2 and 3.

For those parents who do not have access to a computer please see Helen or Catherine in the office or phone us on 385 0900 and we can make bookings for you.

The smooth running of our event relies on all parents keeping to the timetable. Please consider other parents and end on time. If you need more time with a particular teacher, arrange a separate meeting or phone call. Masks are to be worn during the interview.

Community Notices

Do You Want to be Fit, Resilient and Know How to Defend Yourself?

Book your free trial BEGINNERS' KARATE class available on Sundays at 5pm or Wednesdays at 5.30pm. Bring a mate and you both get a 20% discount on your first term fee. Your term time too busy? Book your 2-DAY FUN KARATE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME. Contact Sensei Patricia at www.familyfitkarate.co.nz/contact

Cardio&Core 30-mins Strength Class for Busy People like You! We focus on building your strength and toning your tummy and arms - it's the perfect match to your walking regime. Book your FREE trial class, contact Patricia at: www.familyfitkarate.co.nz/contact

"**Brain Play**" is a future-focused and innovative technology company that aims to introduce students aged 5 - 15, of all abilities, to science and technology fields such as coding, robotics, electronics, 3d printing and other STEM topics.

Open for ages 5 - 15, no previous learning is required! With such a variety of topics available, this is sure to inspire and engage your rangatahi, exposing them to the endless possibilities within STEM!

Just get in touch at info@brainplay.co.nz for more details.

Harbour City Gymnastics

Gymnastics is a great and fun activity for developing confidence, coordination, strength and agility. Join our gymnastics packed Term 1 school holiday programme. This will be running from;

- Tuesday 19th April - Friday 22nd April
- Tuesday 26th April - Friday 30th April

9AM - 3PM, \$45.00 per day.

To register please visit <https://hcg.org.nz/holprog> or contact office@hcg.org.nz - Spaces are limited so be in quick!

Thinking of playing Rugby ...



Looking for a winter sport for your children? Come and join the **Wellington Rugby Football Club "Axeman"**.

We have excellent facilities and are centrally located on the edge of the town belt above Hataitai.

We are steeped in almost 150 years of history and pride ourselves on our community and our family friendly culture.

The Junior Club caters for pre-school ripper through to year 8 tackle and our qualified coaches focus on building team skills, improving confidence and giving kids (and the parents) the opportunity to have a lot of fun!

The season gets underway in April 2022 so please register by picking on the link below

[Wellington Football Club-Wellington Football Club \(sporty.co.nz\)](http://Wellington Football Club-Wellington Football Club (sporty.co.nz))