



CAREW PEEL FOREST SCHOOL



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February 2017

COMING UP

- Fri 24 Feb 4.30pm Family Evening
- Tues 28 Feb Tracey Hickman, swimming 9.30-12
- Fri 3 Mar Swim Sports
- Try-athlon 1.00pm-3pm
- Tue 7 Mar Counties Swim
- Fri 10 Mar Assembly - Room 1
- Tues 14-17 Aoraki Camp Yr
- Thur 16 Mar Timaru Camp - Yr 4
- Wed 22 Mar PALS
- Thur 23 Mar S. Canty Triathlon
- Fri 24 Mar Assembly Room 4

WELCOME

- We extend a warm welcome to our new students, their families and our new Y5/6 teacher Amy Waldie
- Our newbies in Term 1, 2017,
- Mila Bruce - Piwakawaka
- Logan Chubb - Piwakawaka
- Liam Linklater - Piwakawaka
- Erika Mead - Pukeko
- Clara Caceres - Pukeko
- Devon Cunningham - Korimako

TIQBIZ APP

Carew school now has a fabulous new app for those of you with smartphones. This enables us to communicate with you even better! It's incredibly easy to download and you will receive messages as you would do on a normal device.

Kia ora koutou

Welcome to the first school and community newsletter for 2017.

It's always a pleasure to come back to school and see the children beaming with excitement keen to catch up with friends and teachers. We started the year with 81 students and it is likely is that our roll will reach 90 this year.

We are already at the end of the fourth week! Learning programmes are well underway and our main integrated theme focus for the year will be following the Rangitata river from its source to the sea – *Ko Rangitata te awa nei*. You will be amazed at the learning opportunities as we 'float' downstream! Watch this space.

Preparations are well underway for school camps coming up. Lesley will take the Y4s to Timaru for a two day overnight camp staying at the Glenmark Holiday Park. Amy and I will take the Y5/6s on a four day camp to Aoraki Mt Cook, staying at the Unwin Lodge. Both camps have some amazing learning experiences planned and both will be well supported by a wonderful team of parent helpers. EOTC continues to be a very important aspect of the children's education at CPF and already Jayne and Pip have taken the juniors on a day trip to Lynn Creek this week. Thank you to our teachers and parents for providing these meaningful learning opportunities getting in amongst nature.

Property additions and changes continue to enrich our learning environments and keep us busy! We are looking forward to the construction of the roll growth classroom getting underway this term. This includes a link-way through to the existing Room 3. This room will undergo a complete refurbishment, with double opening doors onto a deck. Building consent has been issued for the project and the tenders close today.

Considerable earthworks were done on the old house site in January. It has been tidied up and leveled, the turning circle for the school buses has been developed and the bike track has been created – it's looking fantastic. We are ready to move forward on the next stages: fencing, erecting the tunnel house, gardens, planting....we hope to enlist your help! As you can imagine the bike track is a big hit with the children and we are currently setting up a code of use with them.

And speaking of buses, construction is well underway on our new school bus being built by BT coachbuilders in Ashburton. We are hoping it will be on target for an early April delivery.

Aren't we going to be an extremely smart school when all projects are completed!

Ka kite
Kay

There's one honorary fluffy CPF student who is especially pleased to see us back, I guess this is helping out??



IT'S A CATS LIFE!

PIWAKAWAKA NEWS - Room 1



Hello again,

Logan Chubb has celebrated turning 5 and our inviting, inclusive children have helped him to quickly settle into our class. It's hard to imagine he's only had a week at school. And what a busy or two we have had.

To start the year off we have spent a lot of time working on routines and getting to know one another to build strong relationships for the year ahead. This saw us exploring measurement, are all our feet the same size? If Liam measures the length of something using his feet and he tells us it's four "feet" long, when Mrs Long measures out four "feet" using her own feet will it be the same? From this we began to think of more standardised ways of measuring.



We were so lucky to have Sheryl from Mastagard come in to take us through the water cycle to spark our interest in our focus for the year of our river the Rangiatata. She makes this such a fun, interactive activity and the children loving hearing from people with such wonderful knowledge. Since Sheryl's visit we have had a wonderful day at Lynn Creek exploring.

Yesterday saw Jayne and I in Christchurch attending two courses about successfully implementing our core curriculum of literacy and numeracy within a shared learning space. It's always wonderful to chat with other teachers and leaders in the field, discussing our successes, challenges and most of all swapping ideas for Innovative Learning. Sadly my day out meant that I missed the greatest excitement of our first chrysalis opening, I can't wait to hear all about it when I see the class today.



We can't wait to keep learning and growing in Room 1.

Pip and Piwakawakas

PS over the weekend could you help your child to learn how to put sunscreen on for themselves, we have a mirror in class and I like them to top up their sunscreen during the day but as you can imagine what we do as a parent because it is quicker and more efficient is to do this job for them. It avoids the stinging eyes completely when we do it, however putting sunscreen on eleven little faces takes a very long time. Your help and support in this would be wonderful.

Room 1 & 2 trip to Lynn Creek

Our trip to Lynn Creek was wonderful! - thank you to all the parents who helped to make this a successful day. It was a perfect day for water exploration and some children took full advantage of the opportunity to get wet! Building rafts, eating iceblocks and searching for 'toe biters' (Dobson fly larvae) were highlights of the trip. We are lucky to have such a fantastic natural playground for students to engage with and we want to encourage their appreciation for our beautiful natural resources.



Carew Peel Forest School Enrolment Scheme

- The Board of Carew Peel Forest School has adopted an amendment to the enrolment scheme, which has been approved by the Ministry of Education.
- The scheme has been amended to include Rangitata Island Rd south of Old Main Road South until Dip Rd and Brodie Rd, then proceeds North-West on McClelland Rd to meet with the existing boundary.
- The amended scheme also gives a more precise definition over the whole zone as to which addresses are within or outside the home zone. It has been drawn so that it includes the whole land parcels of addresses on the scheme's boundary roads, (instead of a buffer from the road centre line, which has previously been used for mapping purposes).
- The enrolment scheme, which includes a precise description of the home zone, may be viewed at the school office, where copies of the scheme are also available. Under this scheme, students will be enrolled if they live within the home zone.

PUKEKO ROOM 2 – TERM 1, 2017



Dear Students and Parents

Wow! – the term is racing along, I can't believe that we are in week 4 already! The children have all settled so well into class routines, and are enthusiastic to be at school again.

We have been looking at measuring in maths, using rulers to measure items in the classroom. This week we have also moved into measuring volume and students designed containers to hold the most bears – this was a very competitive task!



In writing we have been constructing a simile sentence, and these are displayed in the classroom. Guided reading has been focused around getting students into independent 'Daily 5 routines' – reading to self, spelling, free writing, and an activity relating to our reading or our topic of water. We have been conducting experiments around water in our study of the water cycle.



Students are making huge progress in their skills and confidence in swimming. Some senior students were impressed with our diving skills and took the opportunity to have a quick diving lesson themselves! We are preparing for the tryathlon and Linda is with us today helping students with this.

Our collaborative environment is working really well, with students moving between classes at different times to best suit their learning needs.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, or just want to chat about your child's progress.

Kind regards

Jayne Rayner

jayne@carewpeelforest.school.nz

Student Achievement

The start of the year is a busy time analysing student achievement information including student data on National Standards, and deciding on achievement targets for the coming year. This information is presented to the Board and also forwarded to the Ministry of Education. You are most welcome to read the in depth National Standard student achievement reports available from school.

Overall our results are very pleasing. A strength in our school is that 87.6% of our students are achieving at or above standard in reading. For writing it is 79.5% and maths is 82%.

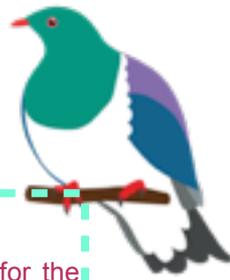
However we will always have areas we want to particularly focus on and that is where our targets come in. This year our maths data is showing boys achievement is higher than the girls and so we aim to raise the achievement levels of our girls to meet that of the boys. Always a priority is lifting achievement and showing steady progress for any student who does not meet the expected standard.

If your child is in a target group your child's teacher will discuss this at your conference or contact you.

Any queries, please give me a call.

Regards Kay

KERERU NEWS - Room 3



Kia ora koutou,

My name is Amy Waldie and I am excited to have the opportunity to be the new classroom teacher for the fantastic year 5 and 6s in Kereru, Room 3.

My family and I, have recently moved to Geraldine from the wild and wet Hokitika on the West Coast. My husband teaches English at Geraldine High School and we have a beautiful, but mischievous, 4 year old son named William.

We are all passionate about the outdoors and I particularly love sailing, skiing, rock climbing and hiking. I think it's important that our children learn to both respect and enjoy our natural environment and this is something I hope to instill in all my students.

I look forward to catching up with parents and whānau of Kereru students during our upcoming parent conferences (8th and 9th March)

In the meantime, if you would like to check out what we're up to in Kereru, room 3, please have a look at our class website. Students are starting to use this site to find out about their learning for the week. This allows them to take more control of their own learning and learn at their own pace. Please note that this website is very much a work in progress.

<https://sites.google.com/a/carewpeelforest.school.nz/kereru-room>

Kereru Room 3

- Our first few weeks in Kereru, room 3 have been a whirlwind of getting to know each other, swimming and testing.
- Our main theme has been 'Who am I' and students have been thinking about what makes them who they are, what they like about themselves and what is important to them.
- As part of this unit, children have been working on autobiographies (yes, that is why you have been interrogated by your child), and self portraits. We look forward to sharing some of our awesome work with you in the coming weeks.
- Swimming has also been a key part of our day and students have been making great progress with their confidence and swimming in the pool. I'm particularly proud of all the students who took part in the recent Mayfield Swimming.
- For many of our students, competing in an event like this really took them out of their comfort zone, so they should be really proud of giving it a go.



**Aoraki Mt Cook
Camp is coming up
fast March 14 - 17th.
Please help us out
by having all returns
in by next
Wednesday 1
March.
Thank you.**

Start of the year Learning Conferences for Y4-6, March 8th & 9th (Wed & Thurs)

Teachers will be in contact soon to invite you to a learning conference for your child. This is an important time for you to chat about what's important your child in general and discuss their identified next steps for learning over the next few months. We pride ourselves on positive relationships and working together to ensure we meet your child's needs.

If you can't make the suggested time we urge you to email your child's teacher to make another time.

Earrings

Please ensure only
stud earrings are
worn at school

Thank you

KORIMAKO NEWS - Room 4

Hello everyone - we are off to a roaring start in Room 4 with the kids having completed much of their testing and we can now concentrate on our reading programme and literacy. We are looking in depth at various topics that will complement our camp activities such as the issues that threaten the survival of our little blue penguins as our reading inquiry, technology processes involved in potato chip production and position and orientation in numeracy (compass points, clockwise/anticlockwise, co-ordinates etc).

Together we have looked at our uniqueness and what makes us the awesome, special individuals we are. We have also looked at how important our self esteem is (ask your child about their golden ball !) and how we can protect this and which groups we belong to that help define who we are. The kids have worked independently on creating hot air balloons that form a record of their current thoughts, feelings, friends and family.

Each day we have been focusing on our next challenge in swimming and it is exciting to see the confidence, progress and self-regulation around water safety that the kids are developing through having one of the best primary school pools in the South Island !

Looking forward to seeing you all at the up-and-coming school events... Jesters Theatre, swimming sports and class conferences.

Lesley and the cool "Korimako Kids !"



Korimako Maths Challenge

When someone needed an icepack we could never find the cover, so Mrs Ward in Monday Maths suggested we make some icepack covers. We were up for this challenge. We problem solved how we would do it and what we would need. We had to use all of our measuring skills. We measured the icepack in centimetres and then we made a pattern to put on the fabric to cut around. We learnt how to measure the length and width, we needed to be accurate otherwise the icepack wouldn't fit. It was tricky getting the measurements right and putting the pins in! Thank you to Wendy for sewing them up for us on the sewing machine, we wonder why Mrs Ward wouldn't let us do it!! Now we have 21 incredible icepacks ready for action when we fall over!



Korimako Kids

Mayfield Area Swimming Sports Results

Freestyle 25 mtr	Name	Place
8yrs and under girls	Delta Holden	3rd
8yrs and under boys	Alex Croft	2nd
9 yrs boys	Louis Wallace	1st
	Cullen G-Wilson	2nd
10yrs girls	Sami Mead	1st
10yrs boys	Blair Proudman	3rd
Backstroke 25mtr		
8 yrs boys	Devon Cunningham	2nd
9yrs girls	Rachel Croft	2nd
10yrs boys	Blair Proudman	1st
	Rhys Patterson	2nd
Breaststroke 25mtr		
9yrs boys	Reuben McKeown	1st
	Cullen G-Wilson	2nd
10yrs girls	Kirsten Burrows	1st
Relays 25mtr Junior Y5/6	Shelby Henson, Sarah Gould, Logan Peck Rian Proudman	1st
Freestyle - Competitive 50mtr		
9yrs & under girls	Sarah Gould	2nd
9yrs & under boys	Reuben McKeown	2nd
	Hamish Peck	3rd
10yrs girls	Shelby Henson	3rd
10yrs boys	Logan Peck	1st
Backstroke 50mtr -		
9 years and under girls	Sarah Gould	1st
9 yrs and under boys	Reuben McKeown	2nd
10 yrs boys	Logan Peck	1st
Breastroke 50mtr		
9yrs boys	Hamish Peck	1st
10yrs boys	Logan Peck	1st
Relay Senior	Carew (against Y7/8s)	2nd

The children have been enjoying a wonderful swimming season with class lessons in our pool almost every day. It's always amazing to see the progress when there is consistent block of time when the weather is kind to us and the pool has stayed warm. Last week many of our Y4-6s entered into the Mayfield Group swimming sports held at the EA pool in Ashburton, either non competitively or competitively.

We were extremely proud of them all for giving it a go. 'Congratulations' were well deserved for their superb effort and achievement on the day, many of them were placegetters, (see the results above). Our relay team won the Y5/6 relay and was also given the chance to compete in the Y7/8 relay, coming second.

Logan, Sarah, Reuben and Hamish have been selected to represent the group at the Ashburton Counties, swimming in various events including the relay. Best wishes!!



Our jubilant relay team!

Community Snippets

**Don't forget
the Mayfield show
11th March 2017**

FOR SALE

NOT your average bunkbed! Single bed on top, desk and wardrobe underneath.. Phone Wendy on 210 499 432.. make an offer!

Southern Netball Trials

Junior trials years 7-8
Mayfield Domain Courts starting at 4.30pm
Questions? Contact Sarah Bailey on
0273214427

PIANO

Val Body has spaces for those who would like to learn to play the piano. Please contact Val on 615 7618 to register

THANK YOU

Due to the awesome farms that nominate Carew school we have earned **\$274.38** through the Southfuels fuel for schools programme

Geraldine Football(Soccer) Club

Anyone wanting to play Football this year , aged 6 plus , male or female,we have a team for your age group,any age ,any ability.

Also for the 4-6's we run a First Kicks programme , learn the skills , after school Thursdays. Term 2 & 3.

Contact Paula Irvine geraldinefootballclub@gmail.com , 03 6938594 or 0276374775 to register

Morning grades 7th -18th grade close's March 20th

Registrations close for our Mens team on March 10th.

We need more players for our Men's teams, anyone aged 15 and over is eligible. Looking at Div 1(Competitive) & Div 3(Social)

Practices for anyone Males aged 15 and older have started in the Geraldine Domain at 6.45pm , Tuesdays & Thursdays

Coaches

If you are interested in coaching a team get in touch with Paula. **Paula Irvine, 027 637 4775 - 03 693 8594**

COACHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PLAYERS

Hockey Mid Canterbury

Coaching Development Officer, Rachel Curd, has organised for experienced Canterbury Hockey players to deliver this course.

Suitable for players Year 3 upwards

Dates and times:

Tuesday 7th March from 4pm

Tuesday 14th March from 4pm

Tuesday 21st March from 4pm

(Final session times to be confirmed depending on numbers)

one hour of coaching per session

Goalkeeper training also available

Coaches are encouraged to attend to watch the delivery of the drills.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 1ST MARCH – NUMBERS LIMITED

Cost - \$40 per player for all three sessions

Payment required by Wednesday 1st March

To register your interest and set up payment please contact mchockey@hotmail.co.nz

with your child's full name and year group.

Enquiries please phone Rachel Curd on 0272289401

Community Snippets

NETBALL

For all those interested in playing netball, registrations are now due.

Years 1/2 play Monday afternoon
Years 3/4 play Friday afternoon
Years 5/6 play Saturday morning

All practices are Wednesday afternoon alternating between Hinds and Mayfield (coordinates with rugby)

Please contact Southern Netball junior co-ordinators

Sarah Bailey 0273214427 or
Ashley Power 0273147320

LEARN! CREATE! SHARE! TERM 1 '17 www.facebook.com/TairāwhitiAcademy/PerformanceArts

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
8:30-10:00am ACTING & DRAMA MUSIC ARTS & CRAFTS DANCE WELLNESS NETBALL & JUDO/AGILE DANCE	8:30-10:45am Weekly MUSIC John F Caiti-Caiti	10:30am-12:00pm Reading our Values ACTING lessons for Students with Special Needs. Jil 027 452 478 82	8:30-10:30am YOGA Paula F ST or	The Academy can also be used for meetings, one-off workshops, concerts, private gatherings and family friendly parties. Academy hourly hire 1st floor \$10 2nd floor \$15 3rd floor \$20 (all incl EVENT HIRE \$100)	10:00-11:00am SINGING 11:00-12:00pm DANCE 12:00-1:00pm NETBALL
10:15-11:00am Tip Top DANCE Jazz & Highland Dancing	2:15-4:45pm Tip Top DANCE Jazz & Highland Dancing	2:15-4:45pm NEW: Caring Team 100-104 MT CLASSES David Wellington Multi classes Eds classes CONTRACTING to EMERGE	3-4:30pm Piano Lessons Able C 027 3238324 4:30-5:30pm Children's DANCE Able C 6-7pm YOGA Paula F ST or Kate 7:30pm Shoes DANCE for adults Christopher 027 568 1555 Series 02 8272688	NEW: 1:15-4:45 ACTIVATE Drama 2nd floor 3A 027 3237188 Series 10 of 14 All Welcome from 3:30 Shelley/Friday CONCERTS Last Friday of the Month 15th incl 10:00-12:00pm	

For information contact Jill Roberts 027 462 4791 - for bookings contact Trisha Reader or 027 756 7822 **NEW EMAIL! academygeraldine@gmail.com**

Mount Hutt School Ski Pass 2017

Forms for ski passes are available at the school office:

Yr 7-8 Season Pass \$100

Year 9 - 13 Season Pass \$165

Mt Hutt First Tracks add on \$99

WINTER HOCKEY

If anybody is interested in playing Winter Hockey for Tinwald Club, Mayfield based teams please get in contact with Fiona Peck 0274 915322 for more information and registration forms. Games are played at the Ashburton Turf, Kiwi Sticks (yr5/6) start Friday 1st April, Mini Sticks (yr3/4) and Fun Sticks (yr1/2) start Saturday 2nd April

Children's Day 2017

For families looking for fun activities on Sunday 5 March, the ever popular Children's Day event is the place to be, at the Caroline Bay hall from 10am to 2pm.

This annual event will offer an array of events and activities that will keep families busy and will be a great opportunity for mums and dads to join in and do things with their children. They can play exciting games, test their skills in interesting activities or simply have a great time watching the selection of entertainment.

Families are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch and make a day of it, last year many hundreds of people took part.

The day's activities include music and movement, mini train rides, bouncy castles, free food and inter-active displays from emergency services. Many of the Caroline Bay rides will operate free between 10am and 2pm.

Children will have a chance to perform with a band, take part in outside games, or even try their hand at fly fishing or obstacle courses. For the little ones under five years, there will be ride-on-toys, face painting and a lot more.

As last year there will also be great activities for the older children, organised by the YMCA. These will include an archery base and confidence course.

EA NETWORKS CENTRE
Kids Duathlon & Triathlon
SUNDAY 12 MARCH 2017
First place to start at 8am at the EA Networks Centre.

DISTANCES:

	Run	Bike	Run
5 to 6 years	200m	10m	200m
7 to 8 years	200m	15.5km	200m
9 to 10 years	200m	15.5km	200m
11 to 13 years	200m	15.5km	200m

To enter, visit EA Networks Centre reception - entry fee \$25

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