



*Our Place  
Our Future... Our People...  
Making a Difference*

Tō tātou tūrangawaewae  
Tō tātou wā mua  
Ō tātou tāngata  
Tō tātou painga

Springlands School Newsletter 26<sup>th</sup> August 2016

**DATE**

**EVENTS**

29 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Rata Team T/Ball & Softball skills session
30 <sup>th</sup> Aug-1 <sup>st</sup> Sep	3 way conferences
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	School Assembly hosted by Rms 20,21 & 15
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Whole School Performance
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Gala Mufti Day - bring a grocery item
4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Father's Day
5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Marlborough Tennis in school
6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	School Science Fair in hall
9 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Totara Ski Trip
13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Teacher Union Mtg, school opens 11.30am
14/15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Marlborough Cricket in school
16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	New Entrant Parent Meeting 9am
16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	School Assembly hosted by Rooms 21 & 16
16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	School Disco
21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	Renwick Sports Exchange - Years 5 & 6
20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Board of Trustees Meeting
23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Last day of Term 3



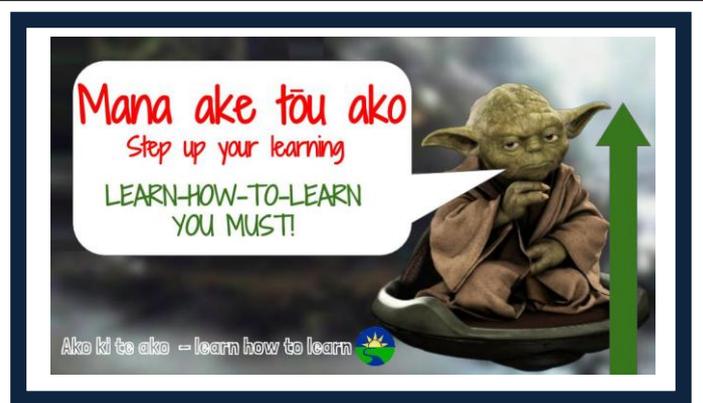
This newsletter we welcome Aaria Waaka and Chloe Cook to Room 12 with Mrs Washington and Mrs Adamson. We know that you have settled in really well and hope that you have made some special friends at Springlands School.



**CONGRATULATIONS**

Well done to the following students who were awarded A1 Quality Certificates in our last assembly: Myjl Yukoya, Tom Coldwell, Frances Lutubutu, Charlie

Davies, Jesse Englefield, Connie Coldwell, Jayda Wills, Archie Cooke, Sid Yank, Marcus MacDonald, Hamish Lindstrom, Isabella Clissold, Lochlan Grainger, Tuscany Johnson, Ollie Cresswell, Zoe Meeten, Will Turner, Ryan Samuels, Sylvia Small, Grace Jackson, Tamara Livingstone, Seth Gifford, Nate Washer, Chloe Pettigrew and Alise Pettigrew. Well done to you all.



**Ako ki te Ako - Step up your learning**  
**Mana ake tōu ake - Stepping Up Your Learning** includes reflecting on and stepping up our practices as a 'Beyond Green-Gold' Enviro School. For the remainder of this term we are working toward unpacking and practicing each clause of our School Enviro-Vision: He mauri tō te whenua - Our place is our taonga. We want for our children to transfer this to our school and our world. Both these environments are to be valued and treasured. Our A1 Quality culture is also transferred to how we expect our school environment to be kept tidy. Rubbish in the school grounds, shoe racks and the care of our school gardens are currently being highlighted.



**2016 Term Dates**

**Term 3** - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September  
**Term 4** - 10<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December  
**Term 1 2017** - begins Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January  
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**Congratulations to the following students who were sent to the office with A1 Quality work this fortnight:**



Last Monday afternoon we got to learn to be scientists. We went there to Marlborough Girls College to use to a proper science lab. We got to see chemical reactions fizzing and foaming. My favourite experiment was the dry ice. I was just blown away by their experiments. *By Josh - Room 15*

### **Three Way Conferences**

You will have received notification of our upcoming Three Way Conferences being held on 30th & 31st August and 1st September. To book a Three Way Conference go to our online booking site: [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and enter the code: yv9va These conferences are an opportunity to have face to face contact with your child and their teacher on their learning achievements to date, and to set goals together for the following terms. As a school, we are also obligated to share with you how your child is tracking to achieve the National Standard as defined by the Ministry of Education. This is a positive practice of open communication. If you have concerns about your child's progress, this is not the time to share these, however at the conference please make an arrangement with the teacher to meet with them at another time. If you are not able to book online, Brenda and Tamara will happily do this for you either face to face, or by phone call.

### **Scooters being removed from scooter rack**

We still seem to have a problem with scooters being removed from our scooter racks so appreciate any assistance parents can give us with locating the culprit. Scooters are being left in McKendry Park. Thank you to those parents and children who have returned the found scooters to school.

### **Daffodil Day**

Great to see so many children wearing an item of yellow today in support of the Cancer Society Daffodil Day. And thank you for your generous donations that were laid out on our daffodil flower in the quad this morning. \$431 was raised for the Cancer Society.



### **Ceramic Daffodil Art Displayed in School Office**

Last year as a fundraising for the Marlborough Cancer Society, each child in the school made a ceramic daffodil. These were painted, glazed and fired by the Marlborough Community Potters. They were then on display this week on the banks of the Taylor River and available for purchase. From the money raised at our Daffodil Day the school has purchased some of these daffodils which are on display in the office.

### **Marlborough Schools to delay start until 11:30am on Tuesday 13th September**

Your child will have brought home a notice early this week with information regarding the late start for all Marlborough Schools on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September. The New Zealand School Funding and Decile System is under review and as a result of this teacher union meetings have been planned combined for members across the country. These are taking place in school time which is going to cause some disruption. For Marlborough, our combined meeting is scheduled for 9am, Tuesday 13th September at Marlborough Boys College. This decision was made by national office and we, principals and teachers, are disappointed that we are unable to change this time. We have no choice but to delay the start to formal instruction in our schools until 11:30am on Tuesday 13th September. As we will only have a few teachers to provide supervision at our schools (as all are entitled to attend the meeting) we ask that if possible, you don't send your children to school until 11:30am. If it simply is not possible for you to keep your children at home until 11:30am can you advise the school office so that we can make appropriate supervision arrangements. We apologise for the inconvenience to you all. For more information use this link

<http://www.education.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/CrossSectorForum26May-presentation.pdf>



### Springlands School Fundraising Ball: "A Gold Evening at the Rio Olympics"

Thank you to the organizers of the Springlands School Rio Ball held last Saturday night. Those that attended had a great evening and the decoration of the hall looked amazing. We appreciate the support from the community for this event and the hard work the organizers put in to make sure the evening was a success. Thanks to our very generous sponsors - Boyce Street Liquor, Callahan & Martella Electrical, Cloudy Bay, Dog Point, Drylands, Eftpos Specialists Marlborough, Event Rent, Forrest Estate,

Framers on Queens, Greywacke, Jules Taylor Wines, Langwoods Photo Centre, Lay of the Land, Marlborough Lines Stadium 2000, Mud House, PAK'n'SAVE, Vintage Events, Whitehaven and Zephyr. Your support is much appreciated.

### Springlands School Olympics Day

Thanks to our Health and P.E team, and great weather on Friday 19th August, the whole school were able to enjoy a wide variety of Olympic activities ranging from mathematics problem solving tasks, cooperative team skills and individual pursuits - paper dart flying, scooter racing, basket shooting and ball and stick skills. It was a very enjoyable day with 35 country teams taking part. We would like to thank all of you as parents for supporting your child in dressing to theme. It was an amazingly colourful day, and the spirit of the event truly reflected the spirit of the Global Olympics - "The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well." *Baron De Coubertin*. Congratulations to everyone who took part in the in the true spirit of The Games.



### Primary School Cross Country

Congratulations to all our Totara Team runners who represented Springlands School at the Marlborough Primary School Cross Country Champs. You all ran really well and we are proud of you. Representing your school is a real achievement. Special congratulations to DJ Arbuckle who was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Year 6 Boys and Shani Tilbury placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Year 5 Girls. Well done to you both.

### What is an ILE (Innovative Learning Environment)?

There has been much parent interest in our Innovative Learning Environments. This term has replaced the phrase Modern Learning Environment. We would consider all of our classrooms to be ILEs, not just the paired teaching spaces - Koru Room, Rooms 13 and 14, Rooms 15 and 16, and Rooms 20 and 21.

An innovative environment is one that is capable of evolving and adapting as educational practices evolve and change. They support the development of the attitudes, values and competencies that will be required by students in the future. With the accelerating development of technologies, our student's future careers at this point in time are unknown. New and exciting career opportunities are constantly evolving. As teachers we are preparing our students with the attitudes, values, skills and strategies to face these challenges with confidence.

The Twenty First Century challenges schools to adapt teaching practices, change to encompass collaboration and discussion in problem-solving and challenge and use the ever changing technologies to make sense of their world.

An innovative environment supports strength-based teaching and learning. These environments offer students and teachers flexibility in how the space is used, and students a voice in their goal setting and what it is they need to learn next. In some areas of the school teachers work in single cell classrooms, in others, they have the opportunity to team teach. Much research has been done into the advantages of these team teaching scenarios evidencing improved learning outcomes for learners.

Follow this [Ministry of Education](#) link to learn more about the different types of ILE that are being developed in other areas of New Zealand.



## Springlands School Gala Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 10am

**Monster Raffle:** A multi day for the monster raffle is being held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Please bring along a grocery item to school instead of a gold coin donation. Please ensure the grocery item won't expire before the gala. Monster Raffle sheets will be sent home the following week to each family at Springlands School. Please return as

soon as possible - ideally before the school holidays even if you haven't sold your tickets.

**White Elephant (2nd hand goods stall):** Collections daily - please place your items in the trolley outside the office. Things that sell well are books, toys and clothes. No electrical items thank you. This is a great time to have a clear-out of unwanted stuff at home.

**Plants:** Collections daily on the trolley outside the office. If you have some plants in the garden that you are happy to pot up for sale, they will be greatly appreciated.

**Helpers:** In order for the Gala to go smoothly we need lots of helpers to run the stalls on the day or help setup on the Friday and Saturday. If you can spare an hour or two, please email [foss@springlands.school.nz](mailto:foss@springlands.school.nz) or let the office know you can help.

**Chocolate Wheel and Mystery Bottle:** Collections for the mystery bottle and chocolate wheel will be happening before the school holidays.

Thank you FOSS Gala Committee

## Sports Notices

### Summer Sports

The following sports will be available at Springlands School during Term 4:

Summer Soccer - Year 0-6 - played on Wednesday afternoons

T-Ball - Year 0-2 - Saturday mornings at Lansdowne Park

Softball - Year 3-6 - Saturdays at Lansdowne Park

Volleyball - Year 3-6 - TBC

Touch Rugby - Year 3-6 - Thursday afternoons played at Lansdowne Park

Tennis - Year 2-6 - Saturday mornings played at various courts throughout Marlborough

Flippaball - Year 4-6 - played Wednesday evenings at Stadium 2000

Cricket - Year 0-6 - Wednesday, Friday or Saturdays dependant on age

Classes will receive signup sheets in their class rolls for each of these sports which children will be able to register their interest. Parent information and permission forms will then be sent home for those that have put their names down. Please adhere to deadlines for notice returns as we often have a tight timeframe for official registrations and cannot accommodate late returns of notices. We are regularly asked to accept late registrations and it places us in an awkward situation having to say 'no'.

### Play Cricket This Summer!

Coaches from Marlborough Cricket will be visiting our school on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> September and handing out information on the options available to children who want to play Cricket this summer. Registration forms need to be returned to the school office by the end of the term.

**Superstar Academy Cricket** is a great option for 5-8 year olds who are new to cricket and takes place on Monday evenings at Horton Park starting 7<sup>th</sup> Nov. For older children there is **Superstar Cricket** on Saturday mornings, beginning 5<sup>th</sup> Nov, with the yellow ball (Year 3 -7, children must be able to bowl) and for Year 5-8, more skilled cricket players, **Hardball Cricket** starts mid-Oct with 5<sup>th</sup> grade (year 5-6) played Friday evenings while 4<sup>th</sup> grade (year 7-8) remains on Saturday mornings. (*Note - age ranges are provided as guide only*). Those interested should return registration forms to the school office or call Ed Gilhooly on 5779050 or 027 4398514 for more details.

### Marlborough Kids Duathlon - Sunday 16th October 2016

Marlborough Kids Duathlon at Brancott Estate Vineyard from 9am on Sunday 16th October. Two courses to choose from:

Course 1 - Run/Walk 1km, Bike 3km, Run/Walk 1km Course 2 - Run/Walk 2km, Bike 5.5km, Run/Walk 1km

Open to all students aged 6-18 Enter online at [www.kidsdu.co.nz](http://www.kidsdu.co.nz), print off an entry form from the website, or pick up an entry form from Avantiplus Blenheim at 61 Queen Street, Blenheim. Cost \$18 per child. Entries close Friday 23rd Sept. Every participant receives a special 10th anniversary medal and the school with the most participants receives a special prize.

