



CHERTSEY SCHOOL Newsletter 5 • Friday 16th May 2025



Principal's Message

Kia ora Chertsey whānau,

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new whānau who have joined us at Chertsey School. We are thrilled to have you as part of our community and look forward to getting to know you.

What a fantastic start to the term we have had! Despite a very wet first week, our tamariki managed beautifully, showing adaptability while playing indoors.

In week two, we hosted our annual cross-country event, which turned out to be a stunning day filled with excitement and camaraderie. I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful parents, Tania, Mel and Kristin, for their hard work in marking out the course, providing hay bales, and packing up everything at the end of the day. Their contributions, along with hard work from our amazing staff, ensured the event ran smoothly. Our tamariki made us incredibly proud as they crossed the finishing line, giving it their all. Congratulations to all our place winners!

I am also excited to see our Home and School group kicking off the year with enthusiasm. They are already getting involved in various fundraising opportunities, with plans for the upcoming Chertsey Dance. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, 19th July, at the Chertsey Hall** for this adults-only event. Please find more information in this newsletter on how to secure your tickets.

If your child is Year 4, 5 or 6 next year (2026) then you are invited to attend our **City Camp meeting 3.15pm Wed 21st May** in Room 3. Next year Room 3 is heading to Auckland for their City Camp. This will mean lots of fundraising, so the earlier we start, the better.

Lastly, we've had another successful swim week at Chertsey School. It is always a joy to witness the progress our tamariki make each time we attend lessons.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community!

Ngā mihi, **Claire Maria, Principal, Chertsey School**

Important Dates:

Term 2	
Tues 20 th May	Ōpuke Combined Kapa Haka Practice
Wed 21 st May	Constable Sean teaching Road Safety
Wed 21 st May	Room 3 2026 Camp Meeting 3.15pm - Year 3, 4 & 5 parents/caregivers Board Meeting 5.30pm
Fri 23 rd May	Assembly 2.30pm
Monday 2 nd June	King's Birthday - No School
Tues 3 rd June	Ōpuke Combined Kapa Haka Practice Newsletter 6
Friday 13 th June	Assembly 2.30pm
Wed 18 th June	Matariki Whānau Day 12noon - All Welcome
Friday 20 th June	Matariki - No School
Wed 25 th June	Board Meeting 5.30pm
Friday 27 th June	Last Day of Term 2 Reports published on Hero



Let's Celebrate 🎉

Chertsey School were delighted to enter our Artwork and Writing into the Rakaia RSA ANZAC Memorial. Our art displays made the Memorial Hall in Rakaia look beautiful, in honour of our fallen soldiers.

We received very pleasing Results:

Keziah - 1st Place in Writing

James O - 3rd Place in Writing

Airom & Eli - Highly Commended in Art

Ruby & Marleaha - Special Mention in Art



Dear mom.

It is night time, the winds are blowing hard. I can hear gunshots and screaming. I hope you, brother, little sis, and dad are doing okay. It's very uncomfortable for me to sleep in trenches, its hardly possible for me to even have a proper sleep... I'm still wondering if little sis can already talk, the mud is yucky and im really hungry...

I'm just hoping that this brutal war ends. I just want to know if your still making those delicious butter cookies, Mum. I really miss you guys, the smell here is worst than I thought, I wish I can be holding holding little sis... Carrying her in my arms, hugging her would just make me feel better, and I don't even crave that much food either. I dont know why.

There are rats who keeps trying to bite us in the trenches but man. I really wish I'm at home spending time with you guys, please wish me luck and please hope that I can survive this terrible war, and all I want is this to end.

Love from Keziah.

Let's Celebrate

Congratulations to the following students who gained placings at Cross Country



Piper - 3rd Place Year 1 Girls



**Kate - 1st Place
McKenzie - 3rd Place
Year 2 Girls**



Martin - 3rd Place Year 2 Boys



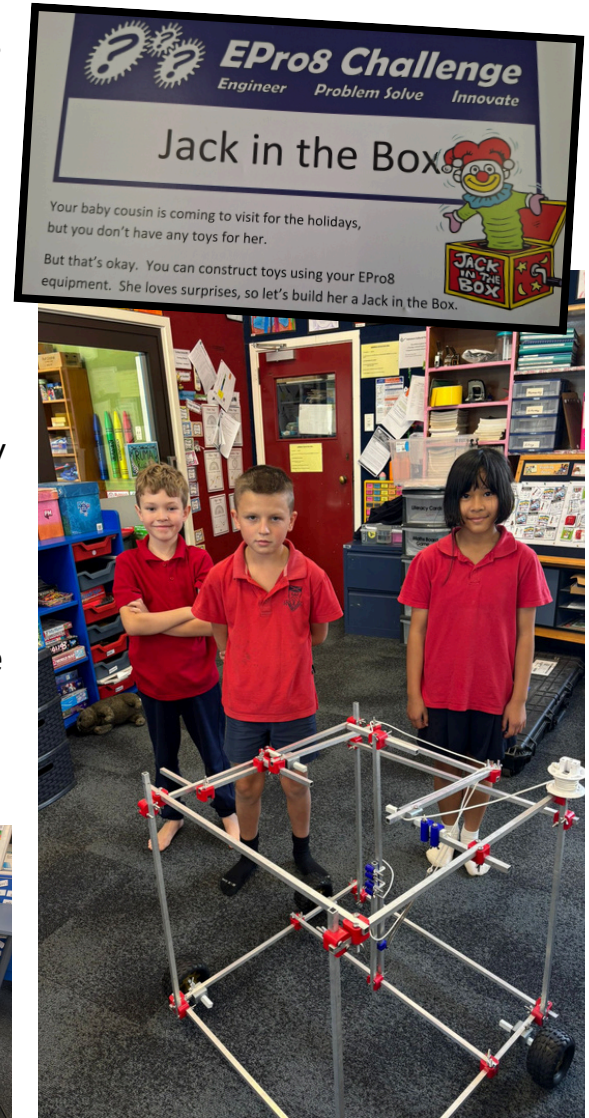
**Bernard - 2nd Place
Year 3 Boys**

Let's Celebrate EPRO8 Challenge

EPRO8 Challenge



Room 3 had a fun day using their collaborative problem solving skills with the EPRO8 Challenge. This year they made a Ball Launcher, Jack in the Box and Shoe Throwing Scales

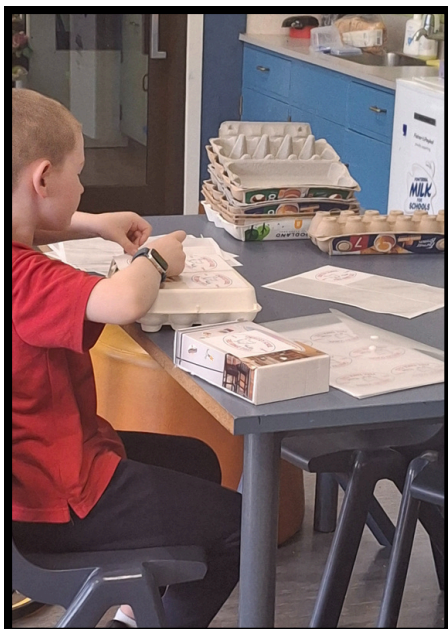


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Selling Eggs at Chertsey School

By Elliott Coyle

I first asked the staff what they would pay for the eggs. Once I had the price I created an order form as well as a logo and labels for the egg cartons. I received 5 orders on the first day and I have 8 orders so far in total. I have been collecting data on how many eggs are laid each day and from which coop. So far the Silkies are laying the most eggs.



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CHERTSEY DANCE

SAT 19TH JULY
7:00 PM TILL LATE

CHERTSEY HALL - R18 EVENT

\$40 PER TICKET

- LIGHT SUPPER PROVIDED
- EFTPOS AVAILABLE
- RAFFLES, AUCTIONS & SILENT AUCTIONS
- FEATURING: THE CHROME TONES BAND
- DRESS CODE: SMART CASUAL OR
- DRESS TO THE NINES

CONTACT LIZ 0275373527
FOR TICKETS





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Thank you to those members of the community that have contributed to our school through Fuel for Schools and Fern NZ. The funding from this initiative means that our school can redeem from a range of sports, technology, literacy, music and vegepod packages which will be hand delivered by our local Rural Sales Manager.

Our school has been nominated by these local businesses/farms that receives bulk fuel deliveries from Fern. For every 100 litres of bulk fuel they purchase, 50 cents is donated to our school.

Thank you from Chertsey School!

- **GF & AJ Biggs**
- **Hewson Farms (NZ) Ltd - Potato Sheds**
- **Hewson Farms (NZ) Ltd**
- **Greenline Ag Limited**
- **NZSF Canterbury Farms -Kotare Petrol**
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