

CHERTSEY SCHOOL Newsletter 6 • Friday 6th June 2025

Kia Ora Chertsey Whānau,

It is great to see new students settling into our school and gaining a sense of belonging. A sense of belonging is fundamental for our students' emotional and social development. When children feel connected to their school community, they are more likely to thrive academically and emotionally. We are fortunate to be a small school, allowing us to keep a close eye on each one of our tamariki to ensure everyone feels they belong. This sense of belonging extends beyond just our students; it includes parents, caregivers, extended whānau, and staff. We love to start the day by greeting everyone who arrives at our school. Sometimes we may be busy and forget, or we might greet the same person more than once. If we do forget, we encourage all adults to initiate the greeting so we can all model this behaviour to our tamariki.

Road Safety

Last week **Constable Sean visited each class to discuss road safety** with our tamariki and staff. This is becoming more of an issue as we have an increased amount of students walking and biking to school. It is also a reminder to parents & caregivers to adhere to the speed limit during drop off and pick up times as it has been noted that there are a number of our own community speeding in and out of school, well over the **30km/h speed limit.**

Dress for the Weather

As the weather gets colder, please ensure children come to school with their school jumper and jacket. A simple reminder as they leave the house each day can make a significant difference.

Mainland Football Visit

We were very lucky to have **Josh Dray from Mainland Football** visit us this week and give our students a short soccer lesson. Each child received a free ball to take home and practice. The timing of his visit was perfect, as Room 3 is well into preparing for the winter tournament next term.

New Curriculum

You may have seen news updates regarding our new curriculum through various media. We would like to invite you to an information evening on **Wednesday**, **June 27th**, **at 6:30 PM**, where we will share information about the new curriculum and the reports that will go home on the last day of term.

Ashburton Dance Competition

Has your child been coming home with some new dance moves? We are excited to be rehearsing for the Ashburton Dance Competition in August. Please see the calendar on the next page for important dates to save for next term.

Celebrate Matariki with Us

Finally, we are excited to celebrate Matariki with you all on **Wednesday**, **June 18th**, **at 12 noon**. We kindly ask that each whānau provide a plate of either a hot dish, side dish, or dessert. A notice will be sent home soon with more details.

Thank you for being a vital part of our school community!

Warm regards, Claire Maria - Principal



chertsey Important Dates:

Friday 13 th June	Assembly 2.30pm
Wed 18 th June	Matariki Whānau Day 12noon - All Welcome
Friday 20th June	Matariki - No School
Wed 25th June	Board Meeting 5.30pm
Wed 25 th June	Information Evening for Parents & Caregivers 6.30pm
Thursday 26 th June	Ben, Jackson, Huntley & Airom @ EPRO8
Friday 27th June	Last Day of Term 2 Reports published on Hero
Term 3	
Monday 14 th July	Term 3 Begins
Saturday 19 th July	Chertsey Dance @ Chertsey Hall
Mon 11 th or Tues 12 th Aug	Ashburton Dance Competition
Wed 13 th Aug	Board Meeting 5.30pm
Wed 20 th Aug	School Speech Competition 11am
Fri 22 nd Aug	Senior Class @Winter Sports
Thurs 28 th Aug	Small School Speech Competition 6pm
Thurs 4th Sept	Festival of Cultures @Mayfield School
Wed 10 th Sept	Board Meeting 5.30pm
Mon 15 th - Fri 19 th Sept	Swimming Week @EA Networks
Friday 19 th Sept	Term 3 Ends
	<u> </u>





BREAKING NEWS

We are thrilled to announce that we have just received an incredible \$17,000 grant from the Lottery Grants Board - Te Puna Tahua! This funding will go directly towards Stage 2 of our Bike Track, bringing us one step closer to our goal.

We are confident that with everyone coming together, the Chertsey Dance will be a fantastic success and help us reach our target amount. We invite you to support us by purchasing tickets, donating prizes for raffles, or contributing auction items. We truly need all the support we can get, and it's going to be a fun night filled with excitement!











Thank you to Josh Dray from Mainland Football for coming all the way to our school to give each child a free soccer ball and an awesome soccer lesson











Thank you to Martin Excavating and Contracting LTD

for donating the shingle for the school house driveway. We are extremely grateful for your support which makes huge difference to our school community.



Thank you to our wonderful Presiding Member Andrew Scott for the work completed at the school house. We are a very fortunate school to have a hard working parent and board member that does so much for our school. Andrew and Liz Scott, along with David, Jackson, Ben & Kate are often completing jobs around our school after hours.

Thank you to Andrew Lawrence who cut our wooden templates for our school mural. The mural will be hung and displayed outside the staffroom at the beginning of Term 3. More information will follow.

Thank you also to Andrew for his UTOW service that allowed us to clear out one of our old sheds at school. Thank you UTOW





CHERTSEY SCHOOL ONGOING SUPPORTERS

Lottery Grants Board



LOTTO FUNDS FOR YOUR COMMUNITY









Thank you to those members of the community that have contributed to our school through Fuel for Schools and <u>Fern NZ</u>. 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
- NZSF Canterbury Farms -Kotare





FOR ALL YOUR BROADACRE SPRAYING REQUIREMENTS

ADVICE. CHEMICAL SUPPLY & SPRAYING

Greenline Ag is a family owned and operated agricultural broadacre spraying business established in 2014 by Tel & Kat Green, operating throughout Mid Canterbury

As a small business we can understand each customers' spraying requirements and provide a personal and tailored service

With over 20 years of spraying and crop management experience Tel can also offer cost effective agronomic advice and chemical supply

Contact Tel: 027 233 4716

Email: teltelgreen@hotmail.com



Hewson Farms

We nurture our land.
We value our people.
Our mission is to produce great
produce in a sustainable manner.
We adopt best practice arable and
vegetable farming technique and
harness the latest ag technology to
achieve this. Our farming systems
ensure the quality of our produce and
the safety of our team.

Phone: 302 2799

Email: r.hewson@xtra.co.nz Address: 721 Chertsey Road

> Pendarves, RD 7, Ashburton 7777

