



Banks Avenue School

Living And Learning With **HEART**

Te oranga me te ako ki te Ngākau

Newsletter 19 – Te pānui o te kura o Banks Avenue: Wednesday 22 June 2022

Bienvenidos, karibu, maligayang pagdating, welkom, haere mai

Term 2

From the Principal - *Te pū kāea a te Tumuaki*

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Wow, two and a bit weeks to go! Anyone who has been on site in the last couple of weeks will see the chaos of our packing. This is a short week as we celebrate matariki this Friday.

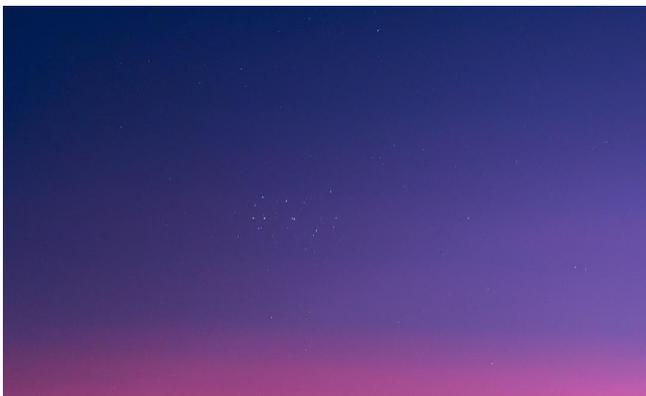
Matariki

Matariki is the name given by Māori to a cluster of stars that rise on the northeastern horizon every year around the end of May, heralding the Māori New Year. The Ancient Greeks called this cluster the Pleiades or Seven Sisters.

The arrival of Matariki is a sign for people to gather, honour the dead, celebrate the present, and plan for the future. Matariki is important for the provision of kai, as a time when planting commences and food supplies are plentiful, having been caught and preserved for winter.

Traditionally there would be kai, waiata and dance once remembrance had finished but by the early 20th Century, celebrations had largely disappeared. A revival of Matariki in the early 1990s gathered momentum, and today celebrations are held throughout the country.

It is the start of all things new, the time to prepare the land, plant certain vegetables and plan the spring garden. I hope you will take a moment during this long weekend to appreciate the values and meaning of Matariki.



Matariki in the night sky

IMPORTANT DATES MARK YOUR CALENDAR

June

Friday 24
Matariki Holiday

July

Sunday 3
Leaving Celebration:
Open Afternoon

Wednesday July 6
Chisnallwood Open Night
5:30- 8:00pm

Friday 8
Farewell Hui

Term 3
Monday 25 July
School Closed
Open day 12:00-2:00pm

Tuesday School Closed

Wednesday 27
Official Welcome
Pareawa Banks Avenue Pōwhiri

New School

https://snowgrass.co.nz/cust/school/banks_ave/



Leaving Banks Ave Celebrations

Below I have included a chart outlining the events that will be occurring in the next few weeks as we prepare to leave this site and then in the following weeks as we move to the new site. Check out the table to see the things the whanau and community are invited to.

School Uniform - Survey closes this week

We continue to listen to feedback on the new uniform. There are two key things we need to consider

1. Currently our uniform is sold through a webshop (no retail opportunity). Feedback has asked if the uniform could be available in the NZ Uniform retail shop in Sockburn. Yes it could, however the prices would be slightly more expensive, e.g. polos \$39.00 not \$34.00, fleeces \$49.00 not \$47.00. Savings would be made however as there would be no postage. Items could still be bought online through the retail shop at the retail prices. Our school webshop would shut down. What do you think of this?
2. Although we have culottes and shorts available for girls a few people have asked for a school dress; especially for younger students. Is this something we should look into?

To help us make our decisions could you please complete this very brief survey by Friday 24 June. *Thank you.*

[Uniform Survey - June 2022](#)

Responses so far indicate:

- A shift to the retail shop
- A dress option
- A sweatshirt option
- WINZ options - this is on the website already.

Get your answers in so your perspective is represented. Our Board meets next week to discuss options.

School Travel Plan - closes this week

With our move to the new school site approaching it's important for us to look at how we will be traveling to school. We are working with the City Council to create a school travel plan which will focus on road safety and active travel to school.

To let us know how you will be traveling to the new site and any safety concerns please complete this survey by Friday 24 June: https://christchurchcc.syd1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0oodQltWRqzDQP4

Open Afternoon

Parents are invited to bring their children down to Pareawa Banks Avenue on the afternoon of Monday 25 July, 12:00-2:00pm. This is an opportunity to look around the school and play on the equipment before school starts.





Outside the library



Stairway to heaven... on the front wall inside our hall.



The school office

Bricks

Have you bought your memorial brick yet? If not, complete the form at the bottom of this newsletter and pay your money, \$60.00, into our school bank account.

Banks Avenue School
03 1700 0077767 00
Reference - name on order form

Covid Update

This week we have had five children (three in Dudley) and two staff members test positive. We continue to have high absences due to other bugs.

Showquest

Congratulations to the Dudley children who participated in Showquest last week. I loved seeing your performance in assembly - good job! Below is a picture of our entry into Showquest - our dress is modeled beautifully by Isabella. The story below the image explains the thinking for the design.



This artwork is called "Pieces"

Every experience impacts us individually as we journey through life. Who we are and how we present ourselves reflects the cultural and contextual lens of our lives. *Pieces* symbolise the freedom of expression that is an outcome of life itself. A pinch of passion, a sliver of sport, a wedge of whānau and a dash of design reflects us as hodge podge human idea reservoirs. With nothing to hide, we've put it all on the outside. *Pieces* of me, *pieces* of you, when we weave together - there isn't a puzzle, we cannot do!

Chisnallwood Open Night - a letter from the Principal of Chisnallwood

Kia ora Tatou Year Six Whanau

I am writing to invite you to the Chisnallwood Intermediate Open Night on Wednesday 6 July from 5:30-8:00pm.

These are some of the reasons why you should attend;

- 1) We provide a wonderful range of opportunities in and outside the classroom.
- 2) Our music programme is internationally renowned.
- 3) We have our own Outdoor Education Center - Camp Taylor at Takamatua.
- 4) The students get the chance to play many different sports and apply for the sports development programme for elite athletes.
- 5) Our technology curriculum includes robotronics, computer science, hard materials, art, science and food technology. Many of our technology options have extension programmes.
- 6) An outstanding tradition of excellence in academic achievement.
- 7) We are part of the Otakaro Kahui ako/community of learning which is committed to the best outcomes for all students.
- 8) Overseas opportunities.
- 9) A range of language options.
- 10) Performing arts opportunities in culture and drama.

We look forward to meeting you on our Open night for you to see and find out so much more.

Kind regards

Justin Fields

Principal

Chisnallwood Intermediate

OPEN NIGHT

Thursday 30th June

6.30pm - 7.30pm

Come and see the exciting changes at our school

Please be seated in the hall by 6.30pm



**Leaving Present Banks Avenue School Site and Arriving Pareawa Banks Avenue
Timeline of Events**

Date	Event	Time	Venue	Children Involved	Dignitaries	Attendees
Leaving Present Banks Avenue School Site: Final week of Term 2						
Sunday 3 July	Community Farewell	2:00-4:00pm	Library Dudley	Choir Kapa haka Pasifika Year 6 Ambassadors	Poto Williams - MP Kirk McKay - BOT Toni Burnside Wendy Steed - first day pupil	Previous staff Parents of children involved in cultural groups PTA members BOT members Community who have had an association with the school in the past.
Monday 4 July	Week of Activities 'Kick Off'	11:30am	Library	Whole school	none	Children and staff only
	Weaving	afternoon	Classrooms	Whole school		
Tuesday 5 July	Banner Memory Cards	Throughout day	Back Court Classrooms	Whole school Whole school	none	Children and staff only
Wednesday 6 July	Painted stones	Throughout day	Classrooms	Whole school	none	Children and staff only
Thursday 7 July	Sports Afternoon	1:30-2:40pm	Around School	Whole school	Kelly Sports Coaches RAMs and Wild Cats - players	Children and staff only
Friday 8 July	Farewell Assembly	2:00pm	Library	Whole school	Lianne Dalziel Murray Edlin	Current parent community

Arriving Pareawa Banks Avenue

Date	Event	Time	Venue	Children Involved	Dignitaries	Attendees
Monday 11 July	Blessing	7:30am	New School site	No groups	Poto Williams - MP Kirk McKay - BOT Toni Burnside	Invitation only event
Monday 25 July School officially closed	Transition plan	10:00am-12:00 noon	New School site	Those children staff have identified as needing support to transition to our new space	None	Invitation only event
	Open afternoon	12:00-2:00pm	New School site	All children and whanau are invited to come for a walk around the new spaces.	None	Parents to accompany children
Tuesday 26 July School officially closed	<i>No visitors on site</i>					
Wednesday 27 July	Walk to new school	9:00am	Start at old site Walk to new site	Whole school	None	Children and staff and parent helpers
Wednesday 27 July	Pōwhiri	10:00am	Pareawa Banks Avenue Hall	Whole school	Chris Hipkins MP Lianne Dalziel	Invited guests and parent helpers

Other notices

Postponements and events

Banks Avenue School trip or event postponements and or cancellations will only be advised via Skool Loop, Facebook and as viewed on our website: www.banksave.school.nz

Absences

If your child is absent from school, for any reason, please let our school office know using one of the following options:
Phone: 385 4163 / option 3: Text: 027 422 8032, Skool Loop app or email: absences@banksave.school.nz

Or notify us via our website: www.banksave.school.nz/absences.

If your child arrives at school after 9:00am, they must check in at the office. This saves a lot of phone calls for unexplained absences in order to ensure the safety of all our children.

HEARTBEAT Media 106.7FM

Listen to our students master broadcasting radio. If you live close to the school (within 6kms) you can tune into 106.7FM on your radio, to listen. Programmes are broadcasted every day before school from 8:30am-9:00am and at lunchtimes from 12:50pm- 1:20pm.

If you live further away, you can access HEARTbeat 106.7FM online, from our school website or from the link on the right.



<http://www.banksave.school.nz/heartbeat-1067fm.html>

Term 2 HEART Value Focus Excellence



Hauora Excellence Aroha Respect Togetherness

Our school HEART values are central to all that we do at Banks Avenue School. Once a child has received a HEART token they hand it into a collection box in their classroom. Teachers tally and record how many tokens each child earns under each of our values.

- 25 HEART tokens (same value) - name in newsletter.
- 50 HEART tokens (same value) - a wristband.
- Two or more wristbands the same - lunch with the principal.

Ultimately children are trying to earn all five wristbands. Once they have done this and then collected an additional fifty tokens they will receive the black HEART wristband, which depicts strong school citizenship.

Fifty Tokens These children have earned their wristband this week.

Hauora: Jericho A (*Roto*); Orland S and Ling-Ling O (*Awa*)

Excellence: Stephanie D and Lennox B (*Roto*); Daniel L and TeAtua W-N (*Awa*)

Aroha: Heidi L and Brooklyn B-S (*Roto*); Lewka C and Olivia S (*Awa*)

Respect: Neela H and Surpreet K (*Roto*); Elizabeth C, Cody W, Callum M and Luke P (*Awa*)

Togetherness: Neela H and Freelance B (*Roto*); Bo-Deen W, Mythyis E and Ashleigh C (*Awa*)

Black HEART wristband

Congratulations to Kade M of Awa who has worked very hard to earn his Black HEART wristband.

Bronze HEART Badge

Congratulations to Heidi L of Roto who has been working extremely hard to earn her Bronze HEART Badge. Well done Heidi.

PTA

The Uniform Shop will be open every Friday from 2:30-3:15 pm for the rest of the term. If anyone has any old uniforms, they would like to donate, now is the time. All money goes to the Banks Avenue School hardship fund. Please note the shop is cash only.



*Veges Direct, now at two locations -
21 Mairehau Road and 8/478 Cranford Street*

Our stores are family owned and operated. We pride ourselves on providing good quality fresh fruit and vegetables at better prices. Check out our weekly specials on www.vegessdirect.co.nz

