

NEWSLETTER

3 April 2024

CLARKVILLE
TE KURA KI WAIMĀTAO

Kia ora Clarkville Te Kura ki Waimātao whānau

We have reached a very busy part of the term at Clarkville. Children are working hard in learning spaces and teachers are looking to squeeze as much learning in as possible before the term break. Assessments are happening and catch ups are scheduled if possible for those children that have been away.

We held our second School Board meeting for the year last Wednesday. With Paula Hawkins resignation from the group and as Deputy Presiding Member, we are very pleased to announce that Sarah Sheard has accepted a nomination to fill this position. Sarah has experience in education having worked in the sector and will make a fantastic addition to the team. Sarah has 4 children at the school - Rosa, George, Gemma and Stella. Bec Ansley was appointed to Deputy Presiding Member and will do a great job in this role also.

On Monday 18 March, a group of our Year 7 and 8 students participated in the Police Competency Test or PCT. Students were selected based on their overall fitness, problem solving skills and their ability to function under pressure as a member of a team. The 'test' is very close to a challenge that new Police recruits are asked to complete as part of their entry exams. I am very proud of the children who represented our school in both the Year 7 and Year 8 teams. I am also really excited to let our community know that our Year 8 team gained 1st place in Canterbury - this is a massive achievement! Mrs Mac in our Office thinks the last time children from Clarkville won this event was about 15 years ago! There was a morning competition and an afternoon competition due to the amount of school entries across Canterbury - the time that our Year 8s registered would have won both competitions! All six schools that made both finals were from North Canterbury - also a remarkable achievement. Our local North Canterbury Education Officer Ken Terry was elated as this gave him bragging rights over his city counterparts! The trophy will be presented at a school assembly in the near future once the engraving has been completed.

Just a reminder also that we have our annual School Working Bee on Sunday 7 April starting at 8.30am. Hopefully we will be finished by 12pm

Enjoy the end of Term 1 everyone!

Kris

Term Dates for 2024 (includes public holidays)

Term 1

30 January – 12 April

Teachers Union meeting – Wednesday 20 March (afternoon)

Easter 29 March – 2 April (**please note: Tues 2 April is a holiday for all schools in NZ**)

Term 2

29 April – 5 July

King's Birthday - 3 June

Matariki - 28 June

Term 3

22 July – 27 September

No public holidays

Term 4

14 October – 17 December

Labour Day - 28 October

Anniversary / Show Day - 15 November

WANTED: WOOL

A local charity group has been knitting slippers for 5 and 6 year olds at local schools and have offered to knit some for our children in Kaikanui. They have asked if anyone has oddments of wool, preferably 8 ply, they could donate to their charity group. If you have any you would like to 'rehome' please drop it in to the school office. The group also do knitting for children in need so any and all donations of wool will be greatly appreciated



Understanding Your Brain Building Resilience & Maximising Learning

Clarkville Te Kura Ki Waimatao School / CLARKVILLE KAIAPOI
Thursday 18th April / 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Tickets at www.eventfinda.co.nz

 www.nathanwallis.com

 [@nathanwallis](https://www.instagram.com/nathanwallis)

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Clarkville Te Kura ki Waimātao School

Annual Working Bee

Sunday 7th April



Come and enjoy meeting and mixing with other members of the school community while giving a hand to tidy up the grounds.

This year the working bee will focus on:

- building a wooden compost bay structure
- removing a wooden classroom entrance shelter
- weeding
- gardening
- tree maintenance - trimming and felling
- tree and garden irrigation
- clearing and disposing of green waste

Come along with your trailer, crowbar, hammer, saw, weed trimmer, chainsaw, spades, gloves, and enthusiasm.

Sunday 7th April starting at 8.30am and will finish at lunchtime with a sausage and an ice block. The pool will be opened for a swim (if still warm enough).

Come for half an hour or 3 hours, any time you can give is appreciated.

The working bee demonstrates to our children that fantastic things can be achieved in a small amount of time when people work together. Let's make our school a beautiful place to thrive and learn.

Nga mihi nui

Rachael Spencer on behalf of the Board

Clarkville Movie Night

See our poster for this fun-filled event on Friday 5 April. Make it your family night and bring Mum, Dad and the kids!! Doors open at 4.45pm. Please bring a plate, drink bottle and something to cosy up with - bean bag, cushion, pillow etc. Clarkville students and family only. Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult, otherwise students can be dropped off at 4.45pm and picked up at 7pm.

Children \$12. Adults \$6. Family \$32.



FEATURING: Super Mario Brothers



PIZZA, POPCORN, ICE BLOCK AND MOVIE

MPF

CLARKVILLE SCHOOL



TICKETS \$12 EACH. ORDER ON KINDO

Sausage Sizzle

Tuesday 9th April

Order via Kindo



Kaiapoi

New World Kaiapoi kindly donated sausages for our sausage sizzles this year. Please help us and support this generous local business.



Please join us!
Your voice is important.

Thursday 4th April

6.30pm

CBK Craft Bar & Kitchen

4/77 Williams Street

Kaiapoi