

Carterton School Newsletter 4 - 11 August 2015

## **Dear Parents and Caregivers**

We hope that lots of you are able to **come and have tea with us tonight in the hall**. Bring your tea and family along to meet other parents and staff. Come along any time from 5.30pm (we will be closing the hall at about 7.30pm). This is a **PTA** initiative to help everyone get to know each other. No speeches, no jobs to do - just a social event! And free dessert!

**College students at school.** Over the next few weeks we know there will be days when college students are released from class. Often ex-students want to return to Carterton School to lend a hand on these days. Our expectations are as follows:

1. Student must be accepted by a specific teacher to work with them.
  2. The student must sign in an out at the office.

All other college students should not be on school grounds during the day.

**Have you Liked our school Facebook page?** We have had thousands of people view our page. Don't forget to 'Like' the page - and send it on to all of your contacts. It is exciting to see how many people are interested in the great things happening at Carterton School!

You may have seen a post on our Face Book page about **Jack from the Studio** who has qualified to represent the Wellington Region at **Cross Country** in Blenheim. He is up at 5am (with his dad!) most days for a training run and has professional trainers too. Jack needs support to buy uniform and for travel to the event. We are supporting Jack by having a **MUFTI DAY next Wednesday**, 19 August. No theme - just come in everyday clothes. Gold coin donation. Well done Jack! We are proud of you.

Don't forget my door is always (well, most of time!) open for you to come and ask about any school issues. If you would like to bring a friend or family member along with you that is fine.

This Friday, **14 August**, we are hosting the **Wairarapa Schools Chess Tournament** in our school hall all day. We have over 20 competitors from Carterton School. Good Luck.

**School Disco** - Students from year 6 through to year 8 are fundraising for their school camps in Term 4. We are having a school disco to help us with

this fundraising. The disco will be on next **Thursday the 20th August**. The **Junior Fancy Dress Disco** for students in Years 0 - 4 - will **begin at 5.30pm and finish at 6.30pm**. The **Senior disco** for students in Years 5 – 8 will **begin at 7pm and finish at 9pm**, with a cleanup to follow.

There will be drinks, snacks and fun glow items for sale at the disco and the **entry fee is \$2.00**. This disco is for Carterton School students only. Come along and have some fun.

Are you available to come and help in the **Storage Barn for PrEP**? You will be helping a group of students price and distribute goods to the PrEP venture groups. We would like your support with this very busy and important job. PrEP is on every **Monday** from **12 - 3**. You could come for one session or a couple of sessions or for part of a session. We would appreciate your help. If you can help please contact me at school in **Room 12** or email me at [mmacgregor@carterton.school.nz](mailto:mmacgregor@carterton.school.nz)

Thank you. **Melanie MacGregor**

Wanted for PrEP: Lemons to make Lemonade/Lemon Juice

**1 litre fizzy bottles** to make planters and Jewellery

**2 Litre fizzy bottles** to make planters and Jewellery.

Any amount would be greatly appreciated. Please send to **Room 12** as soon as possible. Thanks.

**Sausage Sizzle this Friday** and every following Friday as a fundraiser for the Year 6-8 end of year camps and outings.

Sausages = \$1.50 Juices = \$1.00

Orders taken outside **Room 12** on Friday mornings. Thank you for supporting this fundraising.

**Can you sew?** We are needing to make some more **kapahaka costumes**. We need to make these as soon as possible, as the Kapahaka festival is next term. Please contact **Lesley Standish** (Rūma Iwa) if you are able to help us.

**Student Absences** – Reminder to please phone / text / or send absences via app by 9am each day. Thank you!

## Sports Roundup

**Football Tournament** (Years 5-8) - This event is happening on **Friday, 14 August**. It is being held over in **Carrington Park**. Thank you to all of the students whom have returned their permission slips. Also thanks to those parents who have offered to manage/supervise a team- **Sarah Searle, Rachel & Stephen Fennell, Johanna Brazendale and Avril Rodger.**

Special thanks to **Stephen Fennell** who will be running a training session on **Thursday at 3.30pm** for all of the **Year 5 and 6** competitive players.

**Miniball Years 5 and 6 players** - Week 3 of the tournament on **12 August** at **Kuranui College Gym**.

**Carterton 2:** play at 4pm against Martinborough 2

**Carterton 1:** play at 5pm against Kahutara Warriors.

Thanks to **Leanne**, Tayla's mum for coaching the Carterton 1 team. Looking for a coach/parent for the Carterton 2 team, mostly for when the games are on, as Jane Cadwallader takes the teams for training at school.

**Carterton School Whānau Hui: Tuesday 25th August 6-7pm** in the School Staffroom (this is a change of time from the first panui). To all whānau, parents and caregivers, **Geoff Shepherd**, Principal of **Kuranui College**, will be our special manuhiri, coming to our hui because he is very interested in our thoughts and ideas. He would like to talk to us about the initiatives Kuranui are considering planning at college for our tamariki; and he is very interested in meeting to share and discuss these ideas and receive some feedback from us. It's fantastic that Kuranui are looking at ways to develop their programmes to support our Ākonga Māori learners, and wanting to ensure their programmes reflect the whānau and iwi needs and aspirations too. It would mean a lot to us to have you come and share your ideas with Geoff.

It would be great to have as many of you as possible at this special hui, so we do hope you are able to attend.

Ngā mihi nui, **Lesley Standish Ph: 379 5547 (hm) 379 4010 (school)**  
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**Take Action** – A tip from Room 12: If you live on a farm you must **fence off your waterways** so cows do not go in the waterways. The cow poo makes the plants grow too much and the plants choke our waterways. By **Grace**.

Every year **OfficeMax** like to shine a light on outstanding teachers, but we need your help. Nominate them now at [www.adaymadebetter.co.nz](http://www.adaymadebetter.co.nz) – nominations close on **25 September 2015**. 15 exceptional teachers will win \$1,000 worth of supplies for their classrooms.

The role of **Sport Convenor** for the Sth Wairarapa Primary Schools is a new position that is funded with KiwiSport investment. Because of this investment **Sport Wellington** are requiring certain data around sport participation to be gathered each year. In order to gauge a baseline of sport participation in our schools and explore appropriate sporting opportunities, it

would be greatly appreciated if you could complete the survey through the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7SNR65Q> Thanks in advance - **Sharon Gates, Sports Convenor**.

Yours sincerely

Alison Woppard,  
Principal

## **COMMUNITY NEWS:**

To all **tennis players** ages **5 to 12-** Tennis Central is hosting **3 Fun Tournaments** around the Wellington region on **Sundays in August!!** A New Zealand Post Tennis Hot Shots Tournament is the perfect opportunity for children to participate in a competitive environment for the first time whilst still undertaking the key elements of the NZPHTS program. There will be Red, Orange and Green stage round-robin format tournaments for each level. **Beginners welcome.** Play in one tournament or all three!! Please see **Whaea Jo** for further details and entry form.

**Wellington Storylines Free Family Day – Sunday 23 August from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm at Shed 6.** Come and share the excitement of reading NZ books with children, families and the Wellington community. The theme is **Weird and Wild Creatures** including *shape-shifting dragon knights, monkey boys, alien grandmas, underwater sea monsters and crazy pigs!* Joust with Shakespearean words most foul, explore the marine exhibition, write your own medieval story, make an alien mask, create your own Piggy Pasta spoon or a chocolate pig with attitude, see Monda Williams perform, Ralph Johnson and Monkey Boy on stage, see illustrators battle in a quick draw, sketch with artists, dare to dress up – shape-shifters welcome, cool costumes rewarded!

See [www.storylines.org.nz](http://www.storylines.org.nz) for more information.