

5 April 2013

High Achievers Awards.

- R1 Zephire. Working hard in all her learning. She wears her uniform with great pride.
- R2 Brodie. For being an active listener.
- R3 Danielle. For being enthusiastic in class and a good helper.
- R8 Rihari. For being an expert cricketer!
- R11 Kyle. For his excellent attitude and cooking skills at camp.
- R12 Kainoa. Understanding his learning goals, and striving for success.
- R16 Cheylee. For using fantastic listening skills and always working hard.

Principal's Award.

Cyprus. Asking excellent questions of our Duffy Assembly Guest.

Rodayo Robin Award.

Mistique. A co-operative class member who is working well.

Red & Black Day.

Today, staff joined other schools across the country and wore red and black to make known their concerns about the government's educational agenda.

The Government is trying to create a crisis in education and impose a business model on our world class schools. This model, known as the GERM (Global Education Reform Movement) has infected other countries by introducing standardisation, competition and test-based accountability.

Symptoms of the GERM starting to infect New Zealand are National Standards (a "one size fits all approach" that provides a narrower education), league tables and proposals for charter schools and performance pay for teachers.

But we have the antidote! It's all of us fighting to protect a quality public education system which is fair and equitable, based on collaboration and trust and where every child's learning needs are met.

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Standardisation

Choice

Competition

Data-Based Accountability

The Antidote

Personalised Learning

Equity

Collaboration

Trust and Professionalism

Teachers will be marching here in Wanganui and across the country on Saturday 13th April. Please give us your support because we all care about our schools and our education system.

Netball.

Due to high numbers of students wanting to play netball we will be having 4 teams. The girls will be placed in teams according to their strengths, NOT age or year level, except for the non-competitive team that are first time players. We will have 3 competitive teams and 1 non-competitive team.

Teams A & B will practice on Thursdays and Teams C & C2 on Tuesdays from 3.00 – 4.00 p.m.

This is because of court space. We will be finalising teams on Thursday. Fees are due now and must be paid before uniforms are issued on Monday 13th May.

Senior Syndicate Focus Evening.

Last night a group of senior syndicate parents met in our library. The purpose of this was to help our students move to the next numeracy level. It was good fun and an interesting gathering. Thank you to all of the parents/caregivers who attended. There will be a different topic each time so keep a look out for your invitation.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE clearly name your child's Polarfleece. With the cooler mornings then warm days, many children are taking off their polarfleece during the day and leaving them around the grounds. If named, they are easily return to their rightful owner!

P.T.A. News.

Hamburger Day Wednesday 10th April. \$2.50 each, order at the canteen.

Mufti Day. Thursday 11th April. To wear mufti please bring home baking to be sold at the garage sale on Saturday.

Garage Sale. Saturday 13th April, 8.00 – 11.00 a.m. In the hall – Cakes, Books, Clothing, Toys, Furniture, Bric-a-brac and a Sausage Sizzle.

Family Portrait. Saturday 13th April 1.00 – 4.00 p.m. in the Library. \$15.00 - contact Treena on 343 3616 or 027 380 2450 to book an appointment.

Community Notices.

Eastside Playcentre

Grand re-opening, Saturday 6th April 11.00 a.m. Free face painting and sausage sizzle. Come and check out our exciting renovations at 10 Matarawa Street.

Marist Junior Rugby.

If anyone missed registration day and would like to play rugby please contact Anna O’Leary on 342-6678 or email boyszone@xtra.co.nz

Netball Wanganui.

April school holiday programme, Monday 22nd April at Springvale Stadium. Cost \$10.00. Collect a registration form from the office or Sport Wanganui, Maria Place Ext.

Castlecliff Golf Club Kids Golf Day.

Adult and child \$15.00 per team. 14th April, 2.00 p.m. For more information contact Castlecliff Golf Club, 344 4554.

ACHIEVE

**TIPURANGA
(GROWTH)**

Key Competency:
Language / symbols and Texts

**C = CO-OPERATION
(WORKING TOGETHER)**

SMILE

