

We have had a great start to the new term with your children settling into their learning environment with ease. There were lots of happy sounds coming from classrooms as I wandered around last week.

Fruit in schools – The first delivery of fruit for 2018 is next Monday 12 February.

Stationery

Thank you for supporting your children's learning and providing them with stationery. There is stationery available to buy at the office if you need to. Teachers appreciate having stationery early in the term so that learning can get well and truly underway.



Community Evening/Picnic on the Field
Friday 23rd February 5 – 7 pm.



This is an opportunity for us to come together at school, out of school hours. The idea is to have as many of you come to school with your picnic tea and enjoy our environment.

Dianne Rodgers, from Project Energise brings extra equipment to use on the field.

Please introduce yourself to your child's teacher if you have not already met them. We have found this event to be a positive, fun way to build a sense of community.

Dates - 2018

Day	Date	What
Tuesday	6 Feb	Waitangi day
Friday	23 Feb	Community Evening
Wednesday	28 Feb	Teina Team Chartwell Park Visit
Friday	2 March	Community Evening Postponement date
Wednesday	21 Mar	School Photos (class & individual)
Friday	30 Mar	Good Friday
Monday	2 Apr	Easter Monday
Tuesday	3 Apr	Easter Tuesday
Friday	13 Apr	Term 1 ends
Monday	30 Apr	Term 2 begins

School Lunch Orders

Subway & Sushi orders will start this Friday, the 9th February
 Subway \$5.20
 Sushi 4pk \$5.00 chicken /veg or mixed
 Sushi 4pk Salmon \$5.20
 Sushi 6pk \$7.00 chicken /veg or mixed
 Sushi 6pk Salmon \$7.80



Regards- Kay Cleaver, Principal



**This year a focus we have is:
To Strengthen and Grow Community Engagement**

We have been looking at ways to continue to improve our communication with our community. This year we are introducing 2 new ways to communicate with you, through an app called Class Dojo and text messaging. To successfully implement these we need to make sure the cell phone numbers the school holds for each family are current and that we have a valid email address.

How does Class Dojo work?

Using your mobile phone or a computer you can receive important school notices and updates on events through the school story. Photos of what's happening in your child's class, photos of examples of your child's work and sharing of their successes through private messages to parents.

Does the mobile app cost?

NO! It is completely free.

I don't have a smartphone can I still use Class Dojo?

Yes! As long as you have an email address and can get access to computers or tablets.

I don't have an email address how do I get one?

It is very easy to create one using Gmail or hotmail, at no cost.

I have more than one child at school do I need an email address for each one?

No. One email address is all that is needed.

Can extended family be invited to see what's happening in my child's class?

Yes. If you wish them to join then just give their email to your child's teacher and they can be invited. Please note that when a child that has more than one family member connected – class and school stories can be seen by each member, but messages between each person and the teacher are completely private.

Testimonial from a parent:

Class Dojo is an excellent tool. It's easy to navigate and a good way to keep up with what's happening at school. I found it helpful when my child's teacher would send me updates of what they've done during the day! I hope to be able to use it again in the future!

Testimonial from a grandparent:

I just want to thank you for the Class Dojo App, and allowing me to be part of my grandson's school year in 2017. I have found Class Dojo helpful, informative and interactive. This is a great way of including the whole whanau in their child's journey at school. I enjoy seeing pictures and the notices, but also having the capability of responding to your comments.

Updated Details:

Parent Name _____ Mobile _____ Email _____

Child's name _____ Rm _____

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Please Return Slip to the Office by Monday 12th February