



Quote of the week

"The Lord gives strength to His people; the Lord blesses His people with peace." Psalm 29:11

Intermediate Technology Challenge - Halim Sheridan

Shortly, we are sending three teams to compete at the annual Epro challenge.

The EPro8 Challenge is a competition, an engineering and problem solving race. Every year over 10,000 students from 900 schools from throughout New Zealand take part.

Teams compete to:

- build large sized structures
- solve practical problems
- engineer using pulleys, motors, gears, wheels and axles
- invent machines that can complete simple tasks
- undertake unusual and fun experiments.
- construct basic electronic circuits.
- solve interesting problems using practical maths

Our Intermediate students competed last Friday for a place in the school semi-final. The top 24 will compete for a place in the top 12 and the chance to represent our school.

Students had to work in pairs to build a bridge in 30 minutes capable of holding a 1kg weight.



Welcome everyone to the end of week 3....

It has been another busy couple of weeks. I would like to thank the PTA for their hard work and participation organising the Friends of the school picnic on Friday night. It was a lovely night for all of those who attended.

Swimming

Swimming has been keeping everyone on their toes. There are some tired children but with each practice comes more stamina. Thank you for ensuring that your children remember their togs for their sessions. It is a really important life skill to keep yourself safe in the water especially living in a country where we have so much water around us. Swimming is not an optional activity and I am disappointed to see children sitting being opted out because they choose not to do it. I understand we all have different body shapes, comfort levels but not doing it doesn't develop confidence or resilience and growing up thinking we can opt out of anything is not going to help your child in the end. My question to you all would be this...Can you ensure your child is never going to be invited to the beach, the river or near any water when they are a teenager or young adult? If not, wouldn't you want to know they can swim well enough to keep themselves safe from drowning?

The statistics for drownings in New Zealand is high and many could be prevented. Food for thought I think.



We have swimming sports coming up on the 10th March. We will send out more information early next week around the structure of the day. We are planning to introduce a junior/middle section first thing in the morning prior to the senior swimming races so watch this space...

Robert Pereira

Our students had an excellent day with Robert Pereira yesterday. He is always a hit with the children and really makes them think about how they behave and what types of things make us react in certain ways in terms of bullying types of behaviour and or being envious of others. Robert Pereira is an International Educational Consultant and author of "Why We Bully". Robert was educated in Australia and holds a B.A. Dip.Ed. from Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia, and a Masters Degree from Fordham University in New York. We talked lots about internet safety, gaming addictions and Cyber bullying. A big thanks to those that came along last night as well he was very interesting to listen to. So the following is some information he shared with us last night. It is fascinating to know how much gaming has impacted our young men and what this looks like across the world. It is massive. Robert used many examples that he has collated from the teenagers he works with. A couple that stood out for me were keeping the communication lines open with your children, parents need to step up and be the parent and the fact that we too must model what is good behaviours around technology and its use.



Cyber Bullying is a secretive and growing behaviour among children and teenagers. It has replaced the piece of paper that used to be passed from student to student across the back row of a class-room while the teacher wasn't looking. This new medium has enabled a victim of bullying to be targeted in her own bedroom and at any time of the day or night.

Teachers are often unfairly blamed for not responding to bullying in school. The reality is that most teachers are unaware of any animosity between two girls or groups of girls, as teachers have no control over what a child/teen is engaged in while that child/teen is at home in her own room! Yet teachers are blamed.

Teachers are an important resource in the reduction of bullying in schools. Bullying will never be totally eradicated. As bullying is a social problem, it cannot be fully addressed through the individual counselling of the victim. The perpetrator of bullying is often immune to counselling. The key to successful bullying education in school is the empowering of the bystanders, according to Michael Thompson, author of the book 'Best Friends, Worst Enemies.'

Cullinane College Success

In mid January the 2019 NCEA results were released by NZQA. Cullinane College really did have a fantastic year with record pass rates set in almost every category. There were several ex-students from our school who gained some great success.

Year 11 (NCEA L1)

Maia Kaua. Gained L1 with an overall Excellence Endorsement.

Brooke Richardson gained L1 with an overall Merit Endorsement.

Monica Tamakaha-Turia gained L1. Also gained a subject endorsement at Merit.

Jaxon Taylor gained L1.

Kea Wilson gained L1

Year 12 (NCEA L2)

Elisa Bronnimann gained L2 with an overall Excellence Endorsement.

Tomasi Connor gained L2 and Subject endorsement at Merit level.

Cameron Daignault gained L2 with an overall Excellence endorsement.

Jacob Edmonds gained L2

Linkin Ross gained L2

Maeve Weir gained L2 with an overall Merit Endorsement.

Year 13 (NCEA L3)

Te Mana Kaua gained L3 and gained University Entrance. Te Mana also gained an Excellence in subject endorsement.

Tumanako Sciascia gained L3.

Have a great week.

Regards

**Ann-Marie Manson-Petherick
Principal**





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KELLY CONNELLY
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The PTA AGM will be held on 31 March 2020 at school. All parents, caregivers and teachers are welcome!



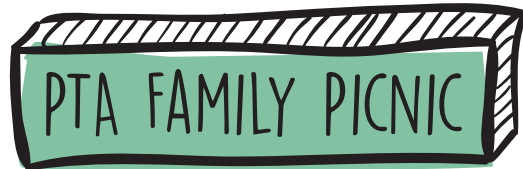
The PTA is in the early stages of planning for our school Gala 2020. Held biennially, this event is the biggest on our fundraising calendar. It's very well-renowned in Whanganui and brings in heaps of money for our school.

How can you help at this stage?

- ➡ Let us know what area you could volunteer in - food stalls, white elephant, games, raffles etc.
- ➡ Do you have an idea for a new stall?
- ➡ Do you know a group that would like to perform at the gala - singers, musicians, cultural groups, demonstrations etc.
- ➡ Do you know a business that could help with sponsorship/prizes?



Coming soon kids... we will keep you posted!



Thanks to all the families that came to our PTA Family Picnic last Friday. It was fantastic to see so many of you there enjoying a picnic dinner, catching up with friends and playing games on the field.



Thank you to all these AMAZING helpers who have given up their time to do a shift (or 2 or 3!) in the Oceanview Speedway ticket booth (in no particular order):

Louise Cowlin, Kelly & Mike Dudson, Brenda Gunn, Juliet Lockyer, Nicola Edwards, Sheryllynne Kleingeld, Sarah Nevard, Julie Collard, Thea Wilson, Lynley Toy, Sarah Matheson, Adrienne Marshall, Nic Belton, Kelly Connelly, Ange Elms, Leanne Rapson, Tania, Sophie, Molly and Alex King, Paula Carter, Karl Zimmerman, Ann Maree Manson Petherick, Sarah and Heather Gosney, Deborah Parker, Hamish Peters, Amanda and Regan Kendrick, Claire Wickham, Jo Sullivan.

These people have helped earn around \$4,000 for the PTA which all goes to benefit our school and children.

We need a few more helpers at the final meet on Saturday 21st March please. Text Ange if you can help: 0279 160 730.

Join Us! PTA Meeting

St Annes School
PTA is holding our
AGM on the 31st of
March 2020 at 7pm
at school.

All welcome to
attend.



Congratulations to Romeo, Jaimie, Scarlett and Kaius for the work and dedication they give to their judo.

These four children attend regular training and work well as a team. They all recently completed their judo gradings (exams) and passed. They have their yellow or green belts now.

St Anne's Pool Booking for Term 1 2020 Swimming

Our timetable is below so please ensure your child has their togs on these days.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9.45 am - 10.45 am Year 1/2 Team	10, 17, 24 Feb & 2 March	11, 18, 25 Feb	12, 19, 26 Feb	
10.30 am - 11.30 am Year 5/6 Team	10, 17, 24 Feb & 2 March		12, 19, 26 Feb	13, 20, 27 Feb
11.30 am - 12.30 pm Year 7/8 Team	10, 17, 24 Feb & 2 March	11, 18, 25 Feb	12, 19, 26 Feb	
12.00pm - 1.00 pm Year 3/4 Team			26 Feb	
12.30 pm - 1.30 pm Year 3/4 Team	10, 17, 24 Feb & 2 March	11, 18, 25 Feb	12, 19, Feb	

We have opted into the government scheme and will no longer charge parents for fees and donations apart from optional activities and overnight camps.

Can parents please check and cancel their automatic payments as some people are building up large credits. We will advise if and when payment is required.



Thank you for the financial support you have given us.





OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS MUSIC 2020

Out of Hours Music Classes are a national scheme funded by the Ministry of Education. It exists to provide an introduction to a chosen musical instrument for children of primary and intermediate age. Tuition is given in; keyboard, kit drums, violin, acoustic guitar, ukulele, trumpet, trombone, recorder and singing.

The classes take place on Mondays at Keith Street School, Tuesdays at St Anne's School, and Wednesdays at Keith Street School, Thursdays at Tawhero School with 30minute classes between 3:30 and 5:30pm and there are Saturday morning classes between 10:00am till 2:00pm at Wanganui Intermediate.

Registration for these classes will be on, **Saturday 15th February at Wanganui Intermediate School Music room 18, 10am to 12 noon. Tuesday 18th of February at St Anne's School Hall 3 to 4pm, Wednesday 19th of February at Keith Street School library, 3 to 4pm and Thursday 20th of February at Tawhero School library 3 to 4 pm.**

You will need to complete a registration form and pay a one off fee of \$20 per student or \$25 for two or more children of the same family, in cash, cheque or direct banking.

Classes will start once the ministry have approved the course, 7th March and continue through the school terms, finishing at the end of term 3. **You will be notified of the lesson time by email or post in early March.**

We accommodate around 300 students which means that you may not get the lesson day or time you choose, though we try very hard to do so. If you need to change lessons then firstly ask the tutor at the lesson assigned to you.

Co-coordinator Bruce Jellyman. (FTCL) Phone: 0275404159. E-mail: bruce.jellyman@gmail.com

Musical Instruments that we teach.

Guitar: Suitable for 8 to 12 year olds. For this age group a $\frac{3}{4}$ sized acoustic guitar with nylon strings is good. Steel strings are very hard on fingers and full sized guitars are too big and difficult to play. Cost \$150.

Ukulele: Suitable for 5 to 12 year olds. A soprano ukulele is good for this age and I recommend a MAKALA soprano from the GAT SHAK. Cost \$50. Bring Ukulele to class.

Violin: Suitable for 5 to 12 year olds. Please go to the first class and the tutor will size the violin to the student. We have violins to hire costing \$30 per school term. If you are buying a violin purchase the correct size and it will cost around \$200. Bring violin to class.

Keyboard: Suitable for 5 to 12 year olds. You will need a keyboard with 61 full sized keys. They cost around \$300. You don't need to bring the keyboard to class as the class rooms have keyboards to use.

Recorder: Suitable for 5 to 12 year olds. Please purchase a proper recorder, toy recorders are dreadful. A good student recorder Yamaha or Altus costs \$20. Bring recorder to class.

Brass- Trumpet or Trombone. Brass Whanganui will lend you an instrument for the first year which we will organise. Bring Brass to class.

Drum Kit: Suitable for 8 to 12 year olds. Initially you will need a pair of drum sticks for GAT SHAK which will cost \$15. Then you will need a drum kit to practice on at home, a new beginner kit will cost \$500 but there are many on trade me for less, just make certain that they have all the parts. Talk to your tutor.

Singing: Suitable for 5 to 12 year olds. Just bring your voice with you to class and your tutor will advise. All voices are good for singing.

MITRE 10 MEGA
WANGANUI

KAI IWI BEACH DIG FUNDRAISER

COMMUNITY FUN DAY - HIGHLIGHTING WATER SAFETY
IN SUPPORT OF THE WHANGANUI SURF LIFEGUARD SERVICE

WANGANUI SURF LIFEGUARD SERVICES SURF LIFE SAVING

12.00PM BBQ OPEN
1.00PM REGISTRATION OPENS \$2ea Dig, \$5/team SANDCASTLE COMP
2.00PM BUILD A SANDCASTLE STARTS
3.00PM BEACH DIG STARTS
4.00PM SURF LIFESAVING DEMO
5.00PM SAND CASTLE JUDGING

CRAYFISH RAFFLE ON SALE, BRING A PICNIC, SAUSAGE SIZZLE
AVAILABLE FROM 12PM

23 FEB **KAI IWI BEACH, MOWHANAU WHANGANUI** **12PM**

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MITRE 10 MEGA PROUDLY LOCALLY OWNED COLUMBUS COFFEE

Run by the Westmere Miniature Rifle Club

To be shot on any one of these nights
Tuesday 25th / Wednesday 26th
February 2020

Wednesday 4th / Thursday 5th March
2020

From 7pm at the Westmere range

\$30.00 per 4-person team
(Workmates, family, friends)

This is a chance to try the sport of smallbore shooting in a fun, friendly and safe environment. Challenge another section at your workplace or another business or just get a group of friends together.

We supply all the equipment needed and after a safety and instruction brief our coaches will assist you on the range while you are shooting.

- No alcohol or drugs to be consumed either prior to or at the range
- Can not have been a registered shooter in the past 3 years
- Practice cards by arrangement
- Cards to be marked as per TSNZ marking schedule

Contact: Sid Phone 3477099

Malcolm Phone 3452101

E-mail: sid.jude@xtra.co.nz

E-mail: malandmars@gmail.com

Please contact Sid or Malcolm to organize a day and time for your team or teams to come out to the range.