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Nau mai haere mai, Kia ora koutou!

100 Years of Steiner/Waldorf Education

100 years ago, in 1919, the first Waldorf school began, initiating a revolution in education - an educational philosophy that recognised the body, soul and spirit of all children - and has spread to almost every country in the world.

A huge welcome to the many new families who have joined us, and an even bigger welcome to the teachers who have joined our great team this year! We hope you all experience a year that matches your hopes and dreams for your children. We have welcomed the sweet new class 1 tamariki into the school with their new teacher Nicole and the new class 8 has been welcomed into the high school.

So - kei te pai - it's a good to start the new year...But not so good to note that already students are turning up LATE. Classes begin at 8.45 - all students need to be here at 8.40am. Turning up to class late is disruptive and disrespectful to our teachers. And before parking becomes an issue - please do not park inside the school grounds - use Hansen Park, Ombersley Tce or Fifield Tce. Please keep to footpaths.

Have a wonderful year!

Thomas Proctor

CALENDAR Wāfaka

Sun 10 - 15 Feb	Class 7 Abel Tasman Camp
Mon 11 - Fri 22 Feb	Lower School Swim Lessons at Waltham Pool
Thur 14 Feb	Class 4 Parent Evening
Thur 14 Feb	Class 8 Parent Evening
Thur 21 Feb	CA Welcome Back BBQ, 5-7pm
Thur 21 Feb	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6pm
Tue 26 Feb	Upper School Can Do Card Photos
Tue 26 Feb	Class 6 Parent Evening, 7pm
Thur 28 Feb	Swim Day, Classes 4-7, Waltham Pool, 12.30-2.30pm (ppd 7 Mar)
Mon 11 - Thur 14 Mar	School Photos Week
Mon 18 - Fri 22 Mar	Maths Week
Thur 21 Mar	Kindergarten Harvest Festival
Mon 25 -Fri 29 Mar	Class 10 Surveying Camp
Thur 28 Mar	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6pm
Thur 4 Apr	Class 2 Play
Thur 11 Apr	Lower School Harvest Festival
Fri 12 Apr	TERM ONE ENDS

TERM DATES 2018/2019

Term 1 2019	Wed 30 Jan - Fri 12 Apr
Term 2 Teacher only day	Mon 29 April
Term 2 2019	Tue 30 Apr - Fri 5 Jul
Term 3 Teacher only day	Mon 22 July
Term 3 2019	Tue 23 Jul - Fri 27 Sep
Term 4 2019	Mon 14 Oct - Wed 11 Dec

ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL - You must notify the office of ALL absences.

- For **planned absences** e.g. **holidays during term time**, email the College Principal Group (CPG): admin@ch.steiner.school.nz or drop your letter in to the office at least **2 WEEKS IN ADVANCE**.
- For **unplanned absences**, such as **illness**, or **medical appointments** you can leave a message on the absence line (**ph 337 0514**) or text **3255**. **Start message with CHRSS** then leave a space and tell us your child's name, class and the reason for absence. **PLEASE NOTIFY THE SCHOOL BY 9am.**
 - If you receive a text from us about your child's absence, please respond **WITH A REASON.**

We are required by law to accurately record student absence, please let the office know - Thanks!



Thursday 21st February 5pm – 7pm
For ALL Rudolf Steiner School Families –
Nursery through Class 12

Sausages (Gluten Free and Vegan Varieties) and Lemonade Provided by
the Community Association
Bring a Salad for the Pot Luck Salad Bar
Please Bring your own cups, plates and utensils.
This is a ZERO Waste Event.

A GLOWING TESTAMENT!!

During the Summer Holidays 6 Upper School Students put themselves forward as candidates to represent our School at the 2019 International Students Conference, being held in Basel, Switzerland from April 23rd – 27th. The International Students Conference is for **High School students** from **all around the world**. Organized by the Youth Section and WaldorfSV. It's a biannual event traditionally held at Goetheanum. The topic for #ISC19 is **Courage** with an expected attendance of 800 students.

Each of our students had to submit a written resume of WHY they believed they were the BEST person to represent our school at this prestigious event and then they had to undertake a fifteen-minute interview with the interview panel consisting of Martin Gastiger, Colleen Farrelly and myself.

What became apparent to the panel was that this was not going to be an easy decision, indeed ALL 6 of our applicants are deserving of the opportunity to attend and represent us. The integrity, humility, and maturity demonstrated by all 6 students throughout the process reaffirms our belief that we are a school that helps to prepare our students for life beyond our 4 walls.

As I said it was no easy task in selecting two from the assembled group of six, I am pleased to announce that **Mackenzie Romein** (Class 12) and **Harper Paterson** (Class 11) are our two students who will travel to Basel in April to represent Christchurch Rudolf Steiner School at the ISC 2019 – We wish them safe travels and look forward to hearing about their journey and the conference upon their return.

Gary Miller

Chairperson
ChCh Rudolf Steiner School

Community Association

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Aurielle** (class 6), **200m Free Bronze Medalist** at the Canterbury West Coast Regional Junior Swim Championships held on 26 Jan 2019.

COMMUNITY Hapori



**Ma tini ma mano
ka rapa te whai.**

Many hands make
light work.

QEII SWIM CLUB

The QEII Swim Club is now taking registrations for squads if you would like to become a stronger, more confident swimmer. Contact Jeanette Wright on **022 4767626** or email qeiswimclub@gmail.com

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE

Looking for childcare in a nurturing, creative, fun, Steiner inspired home-based environment? I have an available Tuesday space with the possibility of more days later in the year. Carlene - 021 075 8405, carlenebean@hotmail.com

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15-17th March Retreat
Fri 7pm-Sun 4pm

Hart Rd,
Mt Hutt Retreat,
Mid Canterbury

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Register
Online www.camerontukapua.com
\$525 Full fee or
\$450 Early Bird by 8 Feb

Guides
Cameron Tukapua Lou Warren

THE PATRICIA PAUL SCHOOL OF DANCE

The Patricia Paul School of Dance, your local dance school, is currently giving Jazz and Ballet lessons in your area.

The school's director is teacher, choreographer & ex-ballet dancer Patricia Paul A.R.A.D. (London). Ballet lessons from 3 years through to Advanced, and all levels in Jazz, Contemporary, Tumble and Hip Hop starting from age 7.

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