




TERM 4 CALENDAR 2020	
OCTOBER	
12	First Day of Term
23	Body Jam
26	LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
30	Show Day
NOVEMBER	
4	NW Agricultural Central Day
9	Mr 4 Eyes—Free optometry assessment for our learners
27	DPS Athletics
DECEMBER	
3	Science Day @ DHS—Seniors
4	Adventure Race at Kai-iwi Lakes
10	Prize giving – Last day of school.







SENIOR SPEECH COMPETITION

Congratulations to Wil Douglas on winning this years speech competition, Hazel Jenyns was placed second and Paige Pattison was third.

Other finalists were Ella Randall, Kiana Jamieson, Alexis Keller, Sesalina Latavao, Kaylee Jamieson, Ryan Finey and Cameron Mager. Well Done!





Dargaville Primary School

Mō te katoa - Each for all

EMPOWERING learners through INNOVATIVE education in an INCLUSIVE environment

Newsletter

23 September 2020

PRINCIPAL’S KORERO

Tēnā koutou, Talofa, Bula, Kia orana, Hallo, Namastē, Kamusta ka yung lahat, Mālō e lelei, and konnichi wa.

Welcome to all new learners and their whānau.

As term 3 comes to an end, it is nice to reflect on the resilience and adaptability demonstrated by our learners, staff and community. Everyone adjusted quickly to the requirements of Alert Level 2, and school-life was able to continue as normal as possible.

Thanks to everyone who was able to participate in our community survey regarding our bell-times trial. We also surveyed our learners and staff. The vast majority of all respondents preferred the new bell times, however, we did receive some very constructive feedback regarding how we can further strengthen the idea. One common theme was that we need to ensure that our learners are explicitly made aware that they can eat at the beginning of lunch, if they are hungry. Another common theme was reviewing the amount of time allocated to eating. For some of our slow grazers, we need to be more flexible in allowing them more time to eat their lunch. We will continue with the current structure for term 4. School will continue to officially commence at 8.50. There will be a further 10 minutes before the first bell rings.This 10 minutes is to enable our learners time to connect with their teacher and friends before instruction begins. This 10 minutes is to also provide our parents time to catch up with their child’s teacher without the pressure of having to rush before the bell rings. I encourage all parents to take advantage of this opportunity as the stronger the connection is between home and school, the more positive the outcomes are

for our learners.

The Government is currently introducing a free, healthy, daily school lunch in some schools for all students.

We are really excited to let you know that our school will be joining the free lunch programme in 2021.

All parents want to provide their children with a lunch every day. But, as you will know, there are many reasons parents can struggle, often through no fault of their own. We know that some of you will have been particularly affected by the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Offering a lunch for all our children who need it will go some way to helping families and whānau to support their children and tamariki. This is why we have decided to take part in this programme.

Lunches will cater for the diet, health and cultural needs of our students, and we will work with suppliers and the Ministry of Education to make sure they are healthy and nutritious. All suppliers will be required to meet New Zealand food safety standards.

The lunches will be available for all our students. While we know there are hungry children in every community, we do not always know who they are. Providing a lunch to every child means we do not need to single-out those who need it more than others. However, lunches are not compulsory, and you can continue to provide your child’s own lunch if you wish.

The programme will run until the end of 2021 and will be evaluated whilst it is running. This will include feedback from schools, students and suppliers about what the lunches are like, how they are delivered, and if they have

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an impact on students' learning and achievement. This information will help to decide whether to continue beyond 2021, and what an ongoing programme might look like.

You can find out more about the programme at: www.education.govt.nz/free-and-healthy-school-lunches

If you have any further questions, please contact me, or the Ministry at school.lunches@education.govt.nz

Remember that Cornerstone Children have a holiday programme these holidays. Call Lorin—027 352 2871 for more information.

Thanks for a great term.

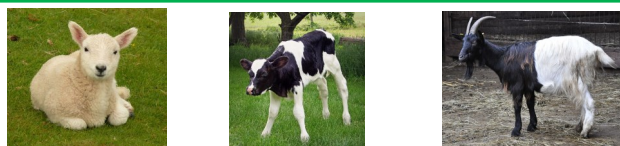
Ngā mihi nui

Curtis Gaylor

Tumuaki

NORTHLAND CROSS COUNTRY

Good Luck to our students who are competing in The Northland Cross Country event being held in Whangarei today.



DPS SHOW DAY FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER

If you are bringing an animal to Show Day, please return your registration form along with \$2 to the office by this Friday, 25 September, thanks.
The office has spare forms if you need one.



2021 TERM DATES

Term 1 - 4/2/21 to 16/4/21
(Teacher only days 2/2 & 3/2)

Term 2 - 3/5/21 to 9/7/21

Term 3 - 26/7/21 to 1/10/21

Term 4 - 18/10/21 to 17/12/2021

FROM THE PTA

This Friday will be our last sausage sizzle for the year.
A big thankyou to all the parents who came along to school to help out with these. Thanks also to Ange Nash for coordinating these.

MOBILE DENTAL CLINIC

The Dental bus will be arriving at DPS during the holidays ready to start checking children's teeth at the beginning of term 4.
They may be contacted on 0800 MY TEETH (0800 698 3384)



All students are to wear sun hats during Terms 1 & 4.
School provides sunscreen for students to use.

BODY JAM

Date: 23 October 2020
Start time :10am
Dargaville Town Hall

A timetable will come out shortly

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Week 1		Week 2	
MONDAY 28 TH SEPT	Ice breaker Games Storm the Heights	MONDAY 5 TH OCT	Franicevich Farm Dargaville
TUESDAY 29 TH SEPT	Hip Hop Dance Tik Tok Challenge	TUESDAY 6 TH OCT	Amazing Race / Treasure Hunt Dargaville
WEDNESDAY 30 TH SEPT	Maungatapu Car Museum (Excursion) Whangarei basin	WEDNESDAY 7 TH OCT	Pirates/Princesses Craft Day Master Chef
THURSDAY 1 ST OCT	Device Day	THURSDAY 8 TH OCT	Bring your own bikes or scooters day - Selwyn Park
FRIDAY 2 ND OCT	Mandy Wood Stained Glass Dargaville (walk)	FRIDAY 9 TH OCT	Dress Up as your favourite Pirate or Princess Disco

FEES

\$210 per week
\$45 a day (min 3 days per week)
\$35 a day 9am - 3pm
OSCAR SUBSIDY available through WINZ
(Fees must be returned within 2 weeks from attending)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Due to the high demand on holiday program all children must be enrolled for a minimum of 3 days per week. This is also for safety reasons as staff need to learn children's names and behaviour as well as children knowing staff and understanding the rules and boundaries of the center and whilst out on excursions. Due to attendance numbers age groups or weather conditions, the programme is subject to change at the discretion of management without prior notification however we will endeavour to notify parents at the earliest. Safety is paramount to our business. Children will always be supervised and will have a minimum ratio of 1 adult to 10 children on site. 1 to 2 off site and 1 adult to 5 children for high risk activities (swimming). Staff will explain clearly to children the programme boundaries and rules daily and children will always be within sight and sound of staff. We have zero tolerance for the following behaviours:

- Foul Language
- Physical violence against other children and staff including Bullying (physical, emotional and psychological)
- Intentional or reckless damage to property and equipment
- Disrespect toward each other, staff and equipment

CONSEQUENCES

If your child commits unacceptable behaviour appropriate disciplinary steps will be taken to address the behaviour. Parents will be notified of the behaviour on collecting the child (verbally and in writing). If after the above step is not met, this behaviour continues parents will be called to collect their child and will be given further notice of their child's unacceptable behaviour. If after all the above steps have not been met, the behaviour has not improved the child will be removed from the programme and collected by the parents.



FOR QUERIES OR TO OBTAIN AN ENROLLMENT FORM:
Email: admin@cornerstonechildren.co.nz
Mobile: 028 432 5899 or 027 352 2871
Located: Portland Street
Dargaville
Website: www.cornerstonechildren.co.nz
Facebook: @CornerstoneNZkids

EXCURSIONS

- Additional excursion costs must be paid for at least 24 hours prior to departure to allow us to confirm child numbers at the venue and transport numbers.
- Your child must be on site no later than 9am for safety briefing and group allocation. Please provide your child with morning tea and lunch, we will provide afternoon tea.
- We will do our best to have your child back on site by the time noted on the programme. Unfortunately, however, we cannot predict traffic, car sickness etc and may be a little late.
- Our programme can change without notice due to the weather conditions and excursion availability.



Children aged 5-13 welcome to audition
Singing and non-singing roles available

Sunday 27th September 2-4pm

Please email
dargavillelittletheatre@gmail.com for an audition time

LOST PROPERTY

We have a huge pile of lost property, which will be on display outside the office tomorrow. Please come and check if anything belongs to you.

Room 3 are collecting plastic bottle top lids for an art project. If you have any please drop them off to Room 3. Thanks



23 September 2020 NEWSLETTER RETURN

Students Name:

Room:

Parents signature:

I have read the DPS Newsletter.

House: