

# Cloverlea School Newsletter

## Term Two 2016



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Principal: Leiana Lambert

Thought for the week: "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world" – Nelson Mandela

Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Namaste, greetings to you all. A warm welcome to all the new families who have started recently at Cloverlea School – Trent, Ella, Giana, Mason, Matthew

### *Greetings from Whaea Leiana Lambert, the new Principal*

I feel honoured, humbled and privileged to be appointed as the new Principal for Cloverlea School. The powhiri on Monday was successful and a real credit to the students, the families, the staff and the entire Cloverlea community. I have been in education for 15 years, teaching at Frankton Primary School in Hamilton, Monrad Intermediate in Palmerston North and Insoll Avenue School in Hamilton. In this time, I have been in many different roles. I have taught across a range of year groups, held two Team Leader positions, led a contract for the Ministry of Education that focussed on raising student achievement and for the last seven years, I was the Deputy Principal of Insoll Avenue School.

In my first week here, I have noticed how happy and friendly the students are in both the classroom and in the playground. The staff are all working hard and doing an amazing job, ensuring that the students are learning and engaged. I have also met many parents that have been in the office and helping with some of the school activities. Please come and introduce yourself to me. I look forward to getting to know you all better as the year continues.

### *Board of Trustees Elections*

Elections for a new Board of Trustees will be taking place this term. The board consists of five elected parent representatives, an elected staff representative and the principal. There is a booklet available from the office for those that may be interested - "A parents guide to the role of the board of trustees". More detailed information will be in next week's newsletter.

### *Sports Teams and organisation*

Currently the school is offering basketball, netball and hockey for our students. The students have been placed in teams based on their class year group and the amount of students needed to ensure each player gets a decent amount of time learning the sports code and playing. Sport is a fantastic way for the students to spend time outside of school hours together, learning skills such as perseverance and commitment, as well as having fun! Thank you for ensuring your child commits to the practices, commits to the team that they have been placed in, turns up to the games on time and for being their positive support on the side! A huge thank you to all the coaches who have volunteered their time for these teams.

### *School Donation and Activity Fee*

Thank you to all families who have paid the activity fee and school donation. The donation is voluntary but we encourage families to pay the Activity Fee so that the students have access and support to a range of programmes and resources. A reminder will be sent home early this term to families who may still have the Activity Fee outstanding.

Next week we have a circus performer visiting our school. If the Activity fee has been paid, there is no charge for this. **If the Activity fee is still to be paid, a cost of \$5 is required for the students to attend.** Please pay this at the office.

### *Reading Together Workshops*

Mrs Hutchinson and Mrs Lewis organised highly successful reading workshops last term with some of our families. Because of this, they will be running some more Reading Together Workshops that will start on 26 May 2016. Dates will be 02 June, 09 June and 23 June 2016. These will run from 2pm, finishing before 3pm, held in the library and are free of charge. Come for a cuppa and work with other family members to learn strategies that will support your children at home to become more confident readers.

## ***PTA Term 2 Fundraiser – Whittakers Chocolates Yummmmmmmmmmm***

For the families that are going to support this fundraiser, chocolate bars will be sent home on the 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> of May. Each chocolate bar will be sold for \$2 each and the money fundraised will be directly supporting the school. More information from the PTA will be in next week's newsletter.

### ***School Council Mufti Day***

Next Friday, we will have our first mufti day for the term. All funds raised will go to the Children's Ward at the Palmerston North Hospital. Please bring a gold coin donation.

### ***Community Notices***

Well – Lug (Wellington Lego User Group) will be visiting Palmerston North showcasing over 60 tables of lego displays.  
*Where:* Barber Hall  
*When:* Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 9am – 5pm, Sunday 22 May – 9am – 4pm  
*Cost:* \$ 2 per person with funds raised going to Kids Can and Arohanui Hospice.

<b><i>IMPORTANT EVENTS AND DATES</i></b>	
<b><i>Circus Challenge</i></b>	<b><i>11 May 2016</i></b>
<b><i>PTA Fundraiser begins</i></b>	<b><i>11 / 12 May 2016</i></b>
<b><i>School Assembly (Rm 1)</i></b>	<b><i>13 May 2016</i></b>
<b><i>Mufti Day</i></b>	<b><i>13 May 2016</i></b>
<b><i>First Reading Together Workshop</i></b>	<b><i>26 May 2016</i></b>
<b><i>School Cross Country</i></b>	<b><i>1 June 2016</i></b>

<b><i>SPORTS DRAWS</i></b>	
Basketball	Starts Thursday 12 May, draw will be sent home on Monday
Netball (arrive 30 minutes earlier for warm up. Two grading games this week)	Cloverlea Green vs. Milson Storm at 9:00am on court 14 Cloverlea Green vs. Hiwinui at 9:50am on court 15. Cloverlea Red vs. Tiritea Terrifics at 10:40am on court 17 Cloverlea Red vs. Carnot A vs. at 11:30am on court 17.
Hockey (remember to bring mouthguards)	Cloverlea Panthers vs. Huntly 9.20am Pitch 18 Cloverlea Tigers vs. Whakarongo 9.20am Pitch 14 Cloverlea Falcons vs. Winchester Wizards 9.20am Pitch 9

***Coach needed . . .*** Our Cloverlea Tigers need a volunteer to coach the team. This involves organising practices, being at the games and umpiring when needed. Can you help???????????

## ***CELEBRATING STUDENT LEARNING***

Each week, we will share some learning and teaching from across the school. This will show you what the students are currently learning about or what we are focussing on in different classrooms. This week, we have some writing from **Room 6** that Mrs Witton was really proud of. The students were looking at interesting sentence starters to 'hook' the reader in.

**Ezra** wrote – "Yesterday was an amazing day because we got a new Principal and her name is Whaea Leiana".

**Teegan-Rose** wrote, "Cloverlea School were waiting and waiting for Monrad Intermediate and Insoll Primary School to come in because we were welcoming our new principal".

**Nia** wrote "Wow! The school had to wait in silence to start until Mrs Burnett said 'E tu' to sing 'Haere Mai' to welcome Insoll Primary and Monrad Intermediate".

**Ella** wrote "Yesterday it was Whaea Leiana's first day being Cloverlea Schools new Principal. We waited a long time until we could sing 'Haere Mai' there".