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Kia ora

We welcome Mila and Rebecca who have begun school in Whakarewa. Also welcome to Bradley who joins Hōpara and his brother Ethan who joins Tūhura.

Cross Country

Congratulations to our cross-country runners who competed in the North Canterbury zones competition last week. We had a large group of students representing Clarkville with eight being placed in the top eight for their race, making them eligible to enter the Canterbury Cross Country. Their endurance and determination was impressive.



Opportunities

Our information evening for Year 6 students going into Matawara next year highlighted the range of opportunities our Year 7 and 8 students have. The Leadership Programme grows each students' personal skills and confidence and helps them to know their strengths. Our rigorous academic programme is designed to prepare students for their High School years and ensure they are able to direct and manage their own learning.

Extension activities for those with strengths in Sports, Speaking, Maths, Science, Technology and Critical Thinking are offered through:

- PCT The Police Physical Competency Test
- EPRO8 Technology Challenge
- North Canterbury Schools Debating Challenge
- Rotary Speech Competition
- North Canterbury and Canterbury Cantamath Competition
- Future Problem Solving

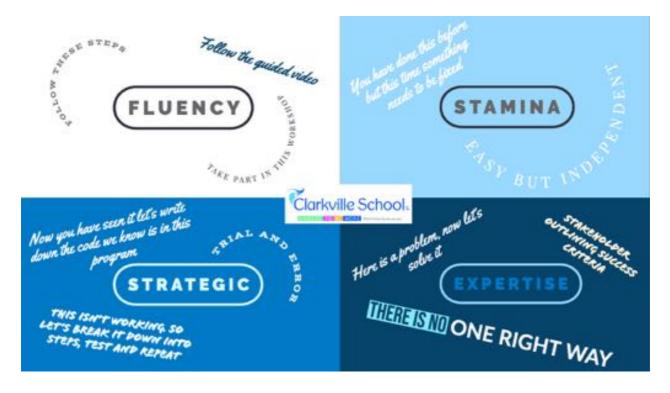
We are enormously proud of our Year 7 and 8 programme and the opportunities our students have to flourish before they take the next step of their learning journey.

Clarkville teachers leading the way with Digital Technology

Congratulations to Linda Baran and Nick Burson who have had an article published in Interface Magazine. Interface is a widely circulated magazine for Primary and Secondary schools focusing on helping educators to share learning about teaching Digital Technology.

Linda and Nick have developed a learning model that addresses different approaches to teaching coding using the programming language, Scratch. Its aim is to support all learners to meet with success when coding by allowing them to become fluent with skills, grow stamina by debugging code, think strategically through trial and error and develop expertise.

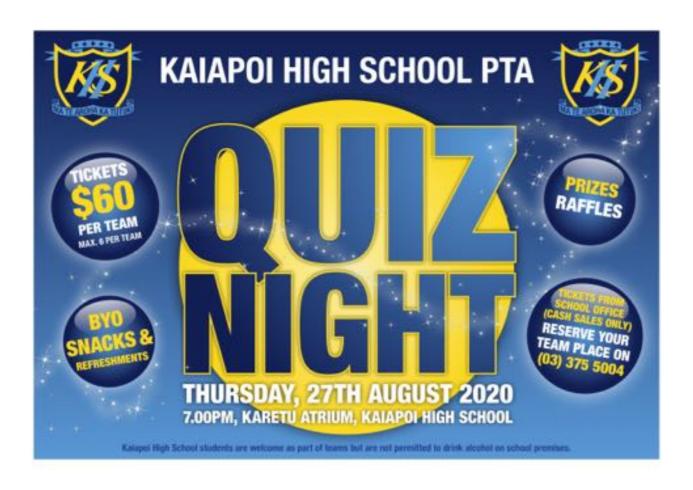
The article is available for you to read in the school office and the learning model is below.



Car Parking

We appreciate that drop off, and particularly pick up, times are very busy; often it is difficult to get a park close to the school. However, we would really like to ask for cooperation from all our drivers in keeping the designated disabled car park, outside the office, free for parents and staff who have the appropriate disability sticker on their vehicle. If you have a friend or relative doing the school run for you could you please pass this on to them. Many thanks.

The Clarkville Hall Assn have advised that the Hall has been booked from 17 - 28 August, so we may have limited parking during that time, please be especially patient whilst this is happening. The car park is owned by the Hall and we have been granted access to it during the term.





Calendar of Events

please note the dates in your diary

August 17 - 28 Aug: Hall car-park not available for school use.	Ski Trip (school or ski) Fish & Chip lunch (order via Kindo) Mid winter sport tournament Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Assembly Whakarewa Evening Pizza, lunch. Year 8 fundraiser, order in Library before school on day, cash only PTA Disco (more information to come) Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Speech Comp v Ohoka Year 7 & 8 Tech Day Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle (order via Kindo) Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Assembly Rotary Speech Competition, Aspire
September	Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Pizza, lunch. Year 8 fundraiser, order in Library before school on day, cash only Mana- Ake drop in, 1.30 – 3.00pm School Photographs (to be taken by School photography NZ) Subway for lunch order via Kindo) Assembly NZ Playhouse, performance at school Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Year 7 & 8 Cantamaths, Horncastle Arens, 2.45pm Year 7 & 8 at Tech all day Pizza, lunch. Year 8 fundraiser, order in Library before school on day, cash only Top Team Board of Trustees meeting, 5.30pm Assembly Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle (order via Kindo) End of Term 3. School finishes at usual time

Term 4: dates to note

12 October: Teacher Only Day (no school)
13 October: Term 4 begins for student

21 October: Athletics

27–30 November: Camp Wellington, year 8

Term Dates for 2020

Term 3: Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September (10 weeks)

Term 4: Tuesday 13 October - Friday 11 December (9 weeks)

Teacher only day: Monday 12 October – please note change of date