

11 December 2020

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Thank you to the PTA for helping Santa to find his way to Clarkville on Tuesday to deliver ice-blocks. His arrival created high excitement.

Year 8 Leavers Dinner

It was a pleasure to attend the Year 8 Leavers Dinner on Monday night and share memories with the families of our Year 8 students. These wonderful young people leave Clarkville very well prepared for their next adventure. We thank them for their contribution to the school and wish them every success for the future. Thanks to the team of parents who organised this special event.

Start of 2021

We begin our school year with Goal Setting on Wednesday 3 February. Parents will be invited to book a goal setting time for each child via the School Interviews online app. Bookings will open on 20 January and you will be notified again close to this date. The letter is available on the Clarkville School App in the school information section.

The PTA will be selling second-hand uniform at Goal Setting.

School will begin on Thursday 4 February and we ask that all students bring their stationery and sunhat.

School app

Please ensure you update your settings in the School app if you have a child moving to a new team. You can do this in the menu (top-left of your screen) under alert subscriptions.

Stationery

Stationery lists for each team can be found on the Clarkville School App in the school information section. You are encouraged to make the most of January sales at major retailers or order stationery online at <https://www.myschool.co.nz/myschool.co.nz>.

Boxes required for all students in Years 3 – 8 can be recycled from this year or purchased from Warehouse Stationery or the school office.

Being an Enviroschool, we encourage the re-using of items in good condition from year to year.

Wishing all Clarkville families a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday season.

Juliana Rae
Principal

Dear Parents, what a wonderful end to the school year we are having!!

The school production last week was a wonderful celebration of true inquiry learning brought to life. For me its success lay in the fact that every single child had a meaningful role to play and was part of a message they fully understood. Mr B's original song provided a truly "grand" finale and the smiling faces on stage as they sung it with gusto said it all. Congratulations to all involved, in particular the creative and clever Paula Gray and Nick Burson.

This week I attended one of the most beautiful occasions of this year, the year 8 Leavers' Dinner. The evening was stunning in every respect. The MPF was transformed into a magical sparkling venue, our leavers looked fabulous, true young ladies and gentlemen, and the speeches were warm and funny recollections of their journey through the last 8 years at school. It was a true celebration. I couldn't help but think that Clarkville School graduates have a certain X factor about them. Their evident love and support for each other, their maturity and their quiet self-assurance stood out for me. Kristie Morrison and Megan Happl are rightly proud of them.

Another recent highlight was the afternoon viewing of the year 8 leadership projects. What a superb way to showcase the significant learning and to share it with the community. It certainly impressed the adults and inspired the juniors who visited.

On the subject of Matawara the Board is delighted with the refurbishment of their team space that took place at start of the year. The space is functioning exactly as we intended and it has an open and fresh feel to it.

Another area that is looking fresh is the swimming pool. The painting, so expertly done by parents at the working bee this term, has been completed and it has given the interior of the pool building a facelift. The Board is delighted that due to parental support the pool will be back being enjoyed by families over summer. It is a great meeting point for families to catch up and cool off.

This week we farewelled Brenda Martin, Deputy Chair of the Board. Brenda's contribution over the past 4.5 years has been truly exceptional. She has been unfailingly perceptive, insightful, and honest and she had led from the heart. She has been a real asset at the board table.

After what has been a "year of 2 halves" we are finishing the year in a strong position in terms of governance. With management, we have reviewed our strategic goals and management is developing outstanding models around both the Learning and Wellbeing goals which will be shared and embedded in 2021. We go into next year with a very stable roll, on a sound financial basis and with parts of our property significantly enhanced. We have much to be pleased about. We have a talented staff who genuinely know and care for each student and who have shown huge commitment in so many ways this year. We also have a culture amongst the parents that is very special. There is genuine kindness and support for each other and I believe that this marks us out.

We certainly all deserve a wonderful holiday. I hope you can spend it doing the things you most love to do and with the people you most enjoy.

From all members of the Board, Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays,
Kind regards,

Sarah Long
Board Chair

Kaiapoi Tennis Holiday Programme 2021



The term school holidays are fast approaching. Thank you everyone for trying so hard in our Summer Coaching programme and I would like to offer a course to help those to keep improving their Tennis. The more we steadily play under guidance the more fun we shall have in this Sport . A great opportunity over a day ,or days or a week training and also form relationships with other players . Holiday programs are great for young players looking to improve quickly through the use of drills, rallying and match play. The holiday programs are open to any level player, only for Juniors.

1st Camp 18-22 Jan 2nd Camp 25-29 Jan

Monday ;Wednesday ,Thursday 2-4pm,Tuesday and Friday 9-11am

Location: Kaiapoi Tennis Club

The cost for the week is \$80 . This can be paid into the account 38 9019 0102032 00

The holiday program will be on rain or shine. All abilities are welcome. Bring a friend!

ote: Please note that holiday programs will NOT go ahead if numbers are not sufficient.

For questions or to sign up, Please contact Head Coach

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