

27 November 2020

Kia ora



Congratulations to the students who have prepared entries for Agricultural Club this year. We have loved your projects, meeting your animals and viewing your gardens.



Junior Kapahaka Performance

Thanks to Whakarewa who performed for us at assembly last week. You made us very proud and it was so lovely to have so many family and whānau stay on to share morning tea with the team.

Performances next week

We are looking forward to the Kapahaka performance at 11am on Monday. We have 70 students performing alongside other schools at the Ohoka Sports and Events Centre. If you have pre-paid for tickets, you can now collect them from the office. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

Our school production, From a Certain Point of View, will be performed on Thursday at 6pm. We are very excited about how the show is coming together. This is a real community event and relies on contributions from students, parents and teachers. We look forward to sharing it with you. Tickets are available from the school office.

End of year reports

Rich reporting about learning can be found on SeeSaw where student and teacher reflections tell the story of learning that has occurred over the year. Our end of year data reports will be sent home on Monday 7 December. These reports show progress made from the end of last year to the end of this year. Please see your child's teacher if you would like more information about their data report.

Juliana Rae
Principal



Annabel Walton won 1st place in the Canterbury A&P Association Boys and Girls Agricultural Club championships 2020 for her lamb. Her project gained her 19/20 marks, giving her overall 1st place. Congratulations Annabel.



Celebrating our Athletes



From the Enviro Group...

Kale Chips For Lunch!

Our Enviro Group doesn't just encourage litter free and healthy lunches, we also set a good example by using our own precious vegetables we have grown and cooking them for a healthy and yummy lunch.

Last week we made kale chips and they were a crunchy success.

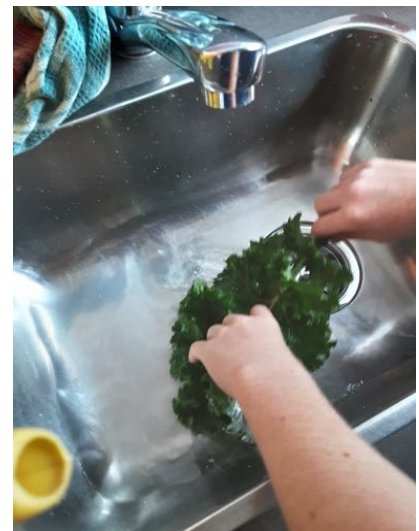
This year we have grown a great crop of kale plants. Kale is super easy to grow and all we've had to do is keep it weeded and watered. Here is our kale all ready to harvest:



Once we have picked our kale the preparation was easy.

We washed the leaves.

We stripped them off their stalks.



We oiled them, and salted them.



Once the leaves were lightly oiled and nice and salty for flavour we put them in a roasting dish and into the oven they went.

After 10 minutes in a hot oven our kale chips were crispy and ready to eat.



Here's the final product:



We all loved our hot and tasty lunch. Best of all some of us remember planting the kale seedlings last term and it was awesome to be eating from our very own crop. This is what Enviro Group is all about.

Making your own kale chips would be great Summer holiday fun. We recommend eating them straight out of the oven with a BBQ meal.

Happy healthy eating!

By Clara-Jane Long and Samantha Bilton

SILVERSTREAM RESERVE NEWS

CAN YOU HELP with Predator Control? – Reliable people over 18 years of age are needed to assist with predator control in the East end of the Reserve, starting in February. The time commitment will not be onerous, especially if you already walk in the Reserve regularly. Training will be given.

Please contact us by email – silverstream.volunteers@gmail.com or Noelene on 03 312 6648.

During the first year, 181 possums, 106 mice, 94 rats, 5 weasels, 26 hedgehogs, and 4 stoats were caught. The increase in bird life is very noticeable as a result.

After lockdown over 5000 trees were planted, with the help of the Student Volunteer Army, Waimakariri Volunteer Army, Waimakariri Cubs/Keas, Conservation Volunteers and St Patricks School.

The Government's Covid's 'Jobs for Nature' scheme has enabled two staff to be employed to work in the Reserve for 16 weeks. It is hoped that this funding may continue.

A number of small treasures have been found that have survived the years of farming, spraying blackberry, gorse and broom and general neglect. We are now actively working to protect these little gems in the fen and dryland areas. Check out <https://www.inaturalist.org/places/silverstream-reserve> to see what is at the Reserve.

WEBPAGE Kate, one of our Rangers, was previously a webpage designer so has been working with the media team at Clarkville School and David to get this up and running. The history will be documented and future plans posted – an ongoing resource. As the saying goes 'good things take time'. It is now Silverstream Reserve's time and it is exciting.

Clarkville School Family Mulching Day and Picnic: Come join us on Sunday, 17 January for a family day. Bring your cars into the Reserve and get your upper body workout from 10-12 then relax with a picnic lunch, maybe even a swim (parents to supervise). Parking will be signposted.

From Tuesday, 12 January, we will be back working in the Reserve every Tuesday and Sunday from 10am. Please join us, with your children, to help finish mulching the 5000 new trees. We have all the tools. Wear sturdy shoes and bring your gloves if you use them.

Wishing you all a safe and happy festive season.

Silverstream Volunteers

Wet & Wild

*Our annual Wet & Wild event will be held on **Tuesday 8 December** at lunchtime, parents are welcome to come and join us. Togs, wetsuits, water pistols and other water toys can be brought along by anyone wanting to participate, but no plastic water bombs etc. There will be more information on the class blogs shortly.*

Swimming Pool Keys 2020-2021 Summer

The swimming pool will be available to key holders after school and at weekends from Friday, December 11th onwards.

Please complete this online form to order your key:

<https://form.jotform.com/203097922062049>

- Families purchasing a key can collect it from 7-11 December.
- The key cost is \$75.00 for the season.
- A \$5.00 refund will be given when the key is returned at the end of the season.
- Before you uplift a key, you will be asked to agree to the rules and responsibilities and sign an indemnity form.
- Keys will be available only for families of present pupils and staff members.

Please note, the Board of Trustees reserves the right to take back keys from key holders for ignoring or breaking pool rules.

Pool Monitoring: All families hiring a key are expected to be on the pool roster. These families will support the Caretaker, Mark Cavaney, to monitor the pool.

Parent volunteers are organising the roster this year and it is expected that they will be supported respectfully to ensure the water quality is maintained for the enjoyment of everyone.

Calendar of Events

please note the dates in your diary

November	30	NC Kapahaka
December	2 2 3 4 4 7 7 8 10 11 11	Board meeting, 6.00pm Canterbury Athletics Production performance @ 6pm Subway for lunch (order via Kindo) Assembly, 9.10am End of year reports sent out Year 8 Leavers Dinner Wet & Wild (lunchtime fun activity) Year 7 & 8 Tech all day Prizegiving, 10am School finishes at 12.30, bus run @ 12.30

2021 Term Dates

Term 1: Wednesday 3 February - Friday 16 April

Public holidays: Waitangi Day: Monday 8 February
 Easter: 2 April – 6 April (includes Tues)

Term 2: Monday 3 May - Friday 9 July

Public holiday: Queen's Birthday: Monday 7 June

Term 3: Monday 26 July - Friday 1 October

Term 4: Monday 18 October – Thursday 16 December

Public holidays: Labour Day: Monday 25 October
 Canterbury Show Day: Friday 12 November

Production Tickets

Tickets for the performance on Thurs 3 December can purchased from the school office next week. Eftops, online or cash payments accepted. Unless your account is in credit, we are unable to add them to the school account.

\$10.00 each