

Shaping Education

Greater Christchurch Education Renewal Newsletter
for schools and early childhood education centres



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Kia ora,

Education renewal in greater Christchurch is well underway. In the coming weeks, Prebbleton School will unveil its eight new 'roll growth' teaching spaces and over the next 12 months building work will begin at a further 13 schools; the new Pegasus Bay school will open and stage one of the rebuild of Halswell School will be completed.

Last week, Minister Pita Sharples announced the establishment of Te Pa o Rakaihautu (Te Pa), a new Yr 1-13 designated character school for Christchurch. It will create a very unique learning environment – with Maori and English mediums brought together in a pa setting.

Also 'hot off the press' is Minister Parata's announcement to establish the Yr 1-13 Aranui Community campus. This follows three months of community-led consultation, which will see the four primary schools in the area closing and relocating to the new Aranui Community campus, set to open in 2017. Advertising for Establishment Boards of trustees is underway with more information available on the Shaping Education website.

While new and refurbished buildings are the visible part of renewal, what we're ultimately building is better futures for our students and our communities. Infrastructure is the means to this end – building modern, flexible, digitally-connected facilities which support collaborative learning and new teaching methods.

Finally, the Inaugural Festival of Education is being held at the Wigram Airforce Museum on Sunday March 23. You can find out more inside this newsletter. It is a great opportunity to come together and share ideas, inspiration, success and best practice.

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Education Renewal



Aranui Community School

On 28 February 2014 the Minister of Education announced the establishment of a year one to thirteen school to provide education to children and young people in east Christchurch as part of the Aranui Community Campus. The school will be built on the current Aranui High School site and will open for term 1, 2017.

The Aranui Community Campus will be the first of its kind in greater Christchurch, with successful examples operating in other parts of New Zealand. The campus will provide high quality education in modern learning environments, and will offer a range of services that benefit the wider community.

The Ministry of Education is now seeking nominations from members of the community to be appointed to the Establishment Board of Trustees for the new school. The Board will be comprised of five appointed members with a range of skills and background knowledge in order to effectively provide input into establishing the school.

Ministerial Appointments to the Establishment Board of Trustees – [CLICK HERE](#)

Establishment of new schools for Rolleston

On 3 March Education Minister Hekia Parata announced the establishment of two new schools to cater for the growing population in Rolleston.

The new primary school, which will be located in West Rolleston, will cater for Year 1-8 students, and will open in 2016. The new secondary school will be located in the Rolleston recreation precinct, and will open in 2017. It will cater for Year 9-13 students. Both schools will open with students in the lower year levels only, and will introduce all year levels in subsequent years.

The Ministry of Education is now seeking nominations from members of the community to be appointed to the Establishment Boards of Trustees for the new schools. Each Board will have five members appointed by the Minister of Education.

Each Establishment Board will develop its new school's charter and have input into the school design. It will also appoint the principal and staff, and work with its community to build a vision and school culture which supports learning and achievement for all its students.

Ministerial Appointments to the Establishment Board of Trustees – [CLICK HERE](#)



New PPP School Procurement

On 4 March Education Minister Hekia Parata and Associate Education Minister Nikki Kaye announced that Building and maintaining four new schools around New Zealand could be delivered using a public private partnership (PPP).

The four new schools in this project (Aranui Community School and Rolleston Secondary School in greater Christchurch, Wakatipu Secondary School's new site in Queenstown and a new school in Auckland yet to be confirmed), are being developed either as part of the Greater Christchurch Education Renewal Programme (GCERP) or to meet population growth in Auckland and Queenstown.

A big benefit of a PPP is that professional facilities managers take care of school property freeing up school staff time for teaching and learning.

The Cabinet paper is available on the Ministry's website: www.minedu.govt.nz/pppschools

Festival of Education Update

Sunday 23 March, Wigram Airforce Museum, Christchurch

A wide range of activities are planned – suited to all ages and levels of educational expertise. The programme includes national and international speakers, chat room sessions, panel discussions, interactive displays, activities, food and performance. The exhibition area will showcase and celebrate educational innovation, collaboration and achievement.

The Festival of Education is an opportunity for the general public and education professionals to come together to share ideas, inspiration, success and best practice.

For more information, go to the Festival website: www.festivalofeducation.org.nz

Celebrating Education Excellence in Greater Christchurch

The Ministry's Christchurch office is inviting schools and early childhood education services (ECEs) in greater Christchurch to submit video clips showcasing examples of successful activities or projects that are being implemented throughout the year so we can share your experiences with others.

If you have videos please contact Barb Madden – barbara.madden@minedu.govt.nz

We would also love to receive photos of your school and students in action: playing learning, performing and engaging. If you have photos the Ministry can use in its publications and displays please contact Nikki Hawkey – nikki.hawkey@minedu.govt.nz

Pasifika Language Strategy for Greater Christchurch

The Greater Christchurch Education Renewal Programme (GCERP) aims to enhance education by embracing opportunity and innovation to achieve better educational outcomes for all of the communities in greater Christchurch, including Pasifika communities.

The Pasifika Advisory Board have identified that there is an opportunity to develop a strategy to support and strengthen Pasifika languages in education across greater Christchurch. This also aligns with the Ministry's Pasifika Education Plan 2013 – 2017. Work has begun on the development of a Pasifika Language Strategy for Greater Christchurch.

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Property



Property Programme Update

- The new Pegasus Bay School is on track to open in term 2 this year.
- The rebuild of Halswell School is on track to open in term 4 this year.
- Temporary teaching spaces are on track at Avonhead and Bromley Primary schools for the second half of 2014. These additional teaching spaces are to allow for the change in demographics within Christchurch and are part of the overall master plan for the site.
- A joint construction related professional services panel is being established in conjunction with the University of Canterbury. Tenders close on 26 March.
- Master planning is underway for the New Brighton School.
- Master planning is underway for Waitakiri School; this school is the school from the merger of Burwood and Windsor schools.
- The detailed design of the new Lyttleton School is well underway and construction contractors are about to be appointed. The new school is on track to open in mid 2015.
- The Ministry will soon commence a programme of demolitions in schools across the Christchurch region. The goal of this programme is to remove buildings that have been isolated since the earthquakes and have fallen into disrepair and make space for site redevelopment in the future. Schools that this effects directly will receive information from us.
- The Detailed Engineering Evaluations (DEE) programme is coming to a close. The Ministry will issue the final reports to schools by mid-year and we will provide guidance and further information as needed.
- A new project manager's panel has been established to oversee works at school sites. We will be sending a letter to all schools with more information.
- We understand that schools are now seeking more information in regards to prototypes; more information will be provided shortly.
- Over 50 greater Christchurch schools are in the middle of their wireless network upgraded as part of the Schools Network Upgrade Project (SNUP). Principals will be supplied with information regarding these upgrades that will provide tailored, appropriate solutions to ensure the best long term value to each school.

