



Canterbury and Chatham Islands Regional Newsletter 30 July 2018

Kia ora,

During the term break Hornby High School blessed the first of its new buildings. Their redevelopment is a significant undertaking with 90 per cent of the existing school buildings being demolished. Students started Term 3 in their fabulous new spaces.

I had the pleasure to attend the Prime Minister's Education Excellence Awards at Parliament at the beginning of July. It was a wonderful celebration and such a privilege to share it with Hoon Hay School and Te Kura who were both finalists. It was great to represent Canterbury with you and to celebrate the dedication and excellence in education.



Image: Director Education Coralanne Child, Hornby High School Principal Robin Sutton and Hon Dr Megan Woods

Congratulations to Wen Seng Chen, year 11 student from Hillmorton High School, who received a flying scholarship from retired Air New Zealand Captain, John Pauwels. It is awesome to see John giving back to his former high school.

An online series explores the similar vision of the New Zealand Curriculum and Te Whāriki have for our children and young people. [Part one](#) investigates the connections between [The New Zealand Curriculum](#) and [Te Whāriki](#) and [part two](#) of the series continues to investigate the connections to better support children's learning as they transition from early childhood education into primary school.

New Zealand Youth Awards 2018

The recipients of the New Zealand Youth Awards 2018 were announced by Minister for Youth Peeni Henare at a celebration event in Parliament in June. There were 17 category winners, and it was wonderful to have outstanding young people from Canterbury recognised.

Congratulations to E Wen Wong from Burnside High School, and Ranger Leary from Rangiora High School, on receiving the Commitment to the Environment Award and to Angus Grant from St Bede's College who received the Entrepreneurship Award.

More information about the New Zealand Youth Awards 2018, including category descriptions, is available on the [Ministry of Youth Development's website](#). Detailed biographies of each recipient, are available [here](#).

Pacific Education Summits

Pacific Education Summits are part of an ongoing education conversation and give our Pacific communities the opportunity to have their say.

On Tuesday 17 July, our Pacific community had the opportunity to meet with the Associate Minister of Education, Jenny Salesa, and be part of the education conversations happening around the country.



Image: Pacific ECE teachers Lineti Punivai, Amelia Solofuti, Milika Faitotonu, Hon Jenny Salesa, Lima Magele, Ministry of Education and Pacific ECE teachers Poe Kairua, Paea, Shana Kamana, and Ana

We have had some wonderful feedback. A huge thank you to the parents, teachers and students who gave their time to share their views with us and to the team for guiding us through the fono to ensure our communities' thoughts were captured and recorded as a part of the wider conversations.

Bullying-free NZ week 2018 Competition Winners

The 2018 Bullying-Free NZ Week competition asked students to use creative media to depict their interpretation of the theme for this year's Bullying-Free NZ Week Let's Talk About It. Students produced videos, composed songs, made PowerPoint presentations, or produced written work to show what bullying is, and what it meant to them personally.

Winners were selected in three age groups – Junior (Years 1-6), Intermediate (Years 7-8), and Senior (Years 9-13) – across the three categories of print, PowerPoint and performance. For the first time, schools were also able to nominate a 'Superstar' who had made a real difference to bullying prevention in their school.

The standard of entries was high and demonstrated the tremendous work and effort by students and staff. Congratulations to:

- Maddie Laing from Oaklands School - first prize in the PowerPoint (intermediate) category.
- Siobhan Taylor from St Bernadette's School - special merit in the print (intermediate) category.
- Louis Reimer from Sefton School - special merit in the print (intermediate) category.
- Louis Gilbert from Parkview School - highly commended in the PowerPoint (junior) category.
- Redcliffs School - highly commended in the performance (intermediate) category.

The Superstar winning entries were both from Canterbury, and awarded to Amuri Area School in the junior category and Papanui High School Year 12 in the senior category. Well done to everyone.

You can also [see how schools took part in Bullying-Free NZ Week and Pink Shirt Day](#)

Ace, A horsey tail of courage

As many of you may already know Bayleys Canterbury teamed up with the BNZ Crusaders on a picture book, Ace, a horsey tail of courage. The book was launched as part of an anti-bullying campaign and coincided with Bullying-Free NZ week. It is aimed at school children with advice for parents. All proceeds go to Bayleys' principal charity, Make-A-Wish New Zealand.

The book has been written by Friday Creative's Katy Clook, and illustrated by Kophie Hulsbosch. During the term break it was great to see so many children attend the book readings in Christchurch and get the chance to meet the author, some of the Crusaders and get their books signed.



*Image: Crusader Mike Delany, Illustrator Kophie Hulsbosch
Crusader Codie Taylor, Author Katy Clook and Crusader Ben Fennell*

If you want to order Ace, A Horsey Tail of Courage for your school library or think this could be a great fundraising option for your school, please email ace@bayleys.canterbury.co.nz If your school sells 50 books at \$20 per book a \$5 per book will be donated to your school, along with a free copy for your school library. Add to that the amplification of the message that bullying is never OK.

The books can also be ordered on the [Crusaders website](#) for \$20

Employee Assistance Programme (EAP)

EAP Services has provided a range of specific services to greater Christchurch state and state-integrated schools since 2011, under the special funding of the Ministry's Greater Christchurch Workforce Support Package. EAP Services provides confidential access to qualified professional support and advice for teaching and non-teaching staff and their immediate families/whānau within greater Christchurch (Waimakariri, Selwyn and Christchurch City Districts) when they are experiencing personal or work-related issues.

I am delighted to let you know we have renewed our contract with EAP Services to continue the provision of the Greater Christchurch Workforce Support Package until 31 January 2021.

The Greater Christchurch School Support Package includes sessions tailored to the specific needs of an individual or a school, and is aimed at helping the education workforce cope with or plan for what's going on in their lives. Any individual's discussions with the EAP professional are strictly confidential, informal, friendly and non-judgmental.

The services provided by EAP Services to greater Christchurch include:

1. Facilitated workshops to whole schools or individuals on topics such as:
 - Coping in times of uncertainty and change
 - Building resilience to stress
 - Building healthy relationships
 - Building a positive workplace culture
 - Five ways to wellbeing.
2. Moving On – a school based facilitated workshop. This supports school leaders and their staff, following periods of uncertainty and change to support each other and plan for the successful ongoing operation of the school.
3. Career transition sessions for individuals – a customised programme tailored to an individual’s career transition requirements, which may include career assessment, preparation of a CV, networking and job searching strategies.
4. EAP Counselling / Financial / Legal Advice to individuals – Personal and / or professional counselling or financial / legal advice for individuals

Under this package, use of the EAP is at no cost to either the school or the individuals.

Please note:

- EAP services funded through the Greater Christchurch Workforce Support Package apply only to state and state integrated schools in greater Christchurch (Waimakariri, Selwyn and Christchurch City Districts).
- Schools outside the greater Christchurch area can access EAP services as part of the All of Government EAP Syndicated Procurement Agreement but services accessed by schooling and support staff are funded by the Board of Trustees.
- Early Childhood Services are not funded for EAP services through the Greater Christchurch Workforce Support Package and they are not eligible to access services through the All of Government EAP Syndicated Procurement Agreement.
- EAP services are available to early learning services if their affiliate association holds a contract with EAP Services or the service itself engages EAP Services. This is at the cost of individual services.

You can contact EAP services on 0800 327 669 anytime.

Grow Waitaha Update

There are a selection of different ways that you can participate through Grow Waitaha, they have key documents and [resources](#) to guide you and a range of free [events](#) available including workshops and forums.

You can also [subscribe to the Grow Waitaha news and see all past Grow Waitaha newsletters here.](#)

Media

NZSTA and the Ministry recently held a communications planning workshop for principals and boards of trustees. The workshop included information on communication strategies, channels, objectives, processes, policy, perceptions, media and social media. Feedback has been very positive and thank you to everyone who attended.

At a recent Canterbury West Coast Secondary Principals' Association meeting, Kamala Hayman, Editor of the Press outlined the role of the media and the interface between schools and the media. It was a great opportunity for principals to ask questions. Kamala suggested that if incorrect information has been printed about your school you can contact her directly if you have been deliberately misrepresented or misquoted to seek a remedy.

A school [guide to dealing with the media](#) was produced by Canterbury Principals groups and the Ministry of Education to support you and help you support your staff, students and community when there is media interest in your school.

We will advise you if we include your school in a media reply to a journalist and supply you with our full response; as there can be negative implications for you when incomplete references from our responses are reported in the media that can cause issues for you and your community.

Recently you may have seen the Media Council upheld Akaroa Area School's complaint. If you feel a story about your school is unbalanced and biased you can again contact the editor directly to seek a formal response and remedy. You can also lodge a complaint with the Media Council, their [website sets out the complaints procedure](#).

Mana Ake – Stronger for Tomorrow

From Term 3, July 2018, Mana Ake will be progressively rolled out to primary schools across Canterbury and Kaikoura. [A full list of clusters / schools for Mana Ake implementation is available here](#) and if you have any queries regarding the list of schools, please email simon.blatchford@education.govt.nz

Please take a look at the [frequently asked questions](#) to find out more. If you have a question which isn't answered here, please email info@ccn.health.nz

More information and the latest key messages are available on the [CCN website](#)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you wish to discuss any ideas or issues. You can always call me on 03 378 7345, 0274 200 251 or [email](#) me. I look forward to hearing from you.

Enjoy this fortnight's bulletin.

Mā te wā

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