



Chaucer School

Newsletter

Empowering Confident Learners

Be Respectful : Be Responsible : Be Safe : Give 100% Effort

Thursday 23 October 2025

100% Effort - Te Whakapau kaha. Risk taking - Te Tango Morearea

Tālofa lava : Nǐ hǎo
Kia orana : Malo ni
Mālō e lelei : Hello
Jambo : Kon'nichiwa

**Kia ora
Welcome**

Dia Dhuit
Namastē : Mauri
Fakaalofa atu : Hi
Ni Sa Bula Vinaka

Asalaam alaikum : Ashamaa : Hallo : Marhaba : Tālofa : Hola
Kumusta : Salām : Vanakkam : Selamat : Noa'ia : Halēā : Olá

A big Chaucer welcome to our Chaucer Family to:

From the Principal

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Chaucer,

There is a wonderful buzz around school at the moment and I know why...**Cultural Day! This Friday, 24 Oct** the hall will be transformed and we invite you all to come along and experience this wonderful event. It takes place in the **Big hall from 11am-1pm**. All children, parents & whanau are invited to wear cultural clothing on that day.

As part of our ongoing **"Our Tamariki, Our Future"** nights, we're excited to invite you to our final evening - this time with a twist! On **Tues 4th November**, we'll share the feedback we've gathered so far, and continue shaping Chaucer's future together and the twist is...it's a movie night! While the format may be different, our kaupapa remains the same. This evening will be a chance to come together, reflect on the feedback we've gathered so far, and continue shaping a future that reflects our Chaucer whānau. **Doors open at 5.30pm, with the movie starting at 6pm** in the Big Hall. Whether you've joined us before or this will be your first time - we can't wait to see you.

Here is a statement from NZEI Te Riu Roa with some more information related to the negotiations and the strike on 23 Oct:

Throughout our collective agreement negotiations (where we negotiate for improvements to our working terms and conditions) we have raised several issues that would make a big difference to support our students' learning, but we don't feel that the Government is listening to us or is understanding what schools and students really need. This includes recognising that our learners need more support, including a teacher aide for every classroom.

We're also asking the Government to value all school staff for the work they do. We want to attract and retain great people in our classrooms, rather than seeing them leave for Australia.

A strike means a day without pay, but that is a sacrifice we are making to try and get the Government to hear us and give us what we need to support all students.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Michael Fletcher
Principal / Tumuaki

Week	Date	Time	Event
3	Fri 24 Oct	11am - 1pm	Cultural Day (Big Hall)
4	Mon 27 Oct	–	Labour Day (Public holiday, school closed)
4	Fri 31 Oct	9:10am - 10am	Whole school assembly (hosted by student leaders)
5	Tues 4 Nov	Doors open 5.30pm Movie starts 6pm	‘Our Tamariki, ‘Our Future event (in the Big Hall)
5	Wed 5 Nov	11am - 1pm	Chaucer Athletics Sports Day
5	Thurs 6 Nov	11am - 1pm	Chaucer Athletics Sports Day (rain day date)
6	Fri 14 Nov	–	Teacher Only Day (school closed)
7	(NEW DATE) Thurs 20 Nov	6pm - 7:30pm	Chaucer Family Night
8	Wed 26 Nov	4pm - 6pm	Board Meeting (staffroom)
9	Thurs 4 Dec	6pm - 7:30pm	School Production (Big hall)
10	Wed 10 Dec	9:10am - 10:15am	Prizegiving (Big hall)
10	Wed 10 Dec	10:30am	Parent Helpers Morning Tea (staffroom)
10	Thurs 11 Dec	6pm - 7pm	Year 6 Graduation (Big hall)

Start of School Date 2026

1	(NEW) Mon 2 Feb		Meet the teacher Day
1	(NEW) Tues 3 Feb	9am - 3pm	All classrooms in session
1	(NEW) Fri 6 Feb	–	Waitangi Day (Public holiday, school closed)

Birthday Shout out

Happy Birthday to - Mani, Quade, Hari, Guntas, Saadiya, Aarna, Jenine & Marathon.



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