Chaucer School Newsletter

Empowering Confident Learners

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

Thursday 26 February 2026

Responsibility - Haepapa; Organisation - Nahanaha

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,

We truly value you as parents and the partnership we have with you. With this in mind a huge thank you to all the parents and whānau who helped on the Year 4-6 trip up to Orewa last week. The children had an absolute blast, as well as learning essential life skills around water safety. We could not have run the trip without your support. Thank you. It was also wonderful to see so many Year 0-3 parents at the Whanau picnic last week. We've listened to your feedback and worked hard in recent years to organise events at school that provide opportunities for you to connect with other parents in an informal way.

Parent/Teacher chats - We've listened to your feedback and this term we are providing the opportunity for you to book a slot (10 mins) to meet 1-1 with your child's teacher. On **Tues 10 March and Tues 17 March, 3.00pm-4.30pm,** limited slots will be available for you to book. The link to book will be emailed out shortly.

Do you have a child turning 5 this year? If the answer is yes please get in touch so we can book in an induction/meet and greet meeting. This also helps with our future planning. Thank you.

Chaucer Family Night is coming up! On **26 March** we have our ever popular Family night, a wonderful opportunity to come along, connect with staff and other parents and our Board, win prizes, have some fun…and much more! Lock in the date, more information to follow.

Michael Fletcher
Principal / Tumuaki

Week	Date	Time	Event
4	Fri 27 Feb	9:10am-10am	Whole school assembly (hosted by Hub 2)
5	Wed 4 Mar	4pm-6pm	Board Meeting (in the staffroom)
6	(NEW)Tues 10 Mar	3pm-4:30pm	Parent/Teacher chats
6	Fri 13 Mar	9:10am-10am	Whole school assembly (hosted by room 16)
6	(NEW)Tues 17 Mar	3pm-4:30pm	Parent/Teacher chats
8	Thurs 26 Mar	6pm-7:30pm	Chaucer Family Night
8	Fri 27 Mar	9:10am-10am	Whole school assembly (hosted by room 14)
9	Thurs 2 Apr	9am-2pm	Last day of Term 1 **(school finishing at 2pm)**
9	Thurs 2 Apr	1:10pm - 2pm	Last assembly for Term 1 (hosted by student leaders)

Future Events			
T2 wk1	(NEW)Thurs 23 Apr	1:15pm-7pm	Student-Led Conference **(School will finish at 1pm)**
T3 wk5	(NEW)Fri 21 Aug	—	Teacher Only Day **(school closed)**
T3 wk9	(NEW)Thurs 17 Sept	1:15pm-7pm	Student-Led Conference **(School will finish at 1pm)**
T4 wk5	(NEW)Fri 13 Nov	—	Teacher Only Day **(school closed)**

Birthday Shout out

Happy Birthday to - Adiv, Darabella, Farzad, Sasshvin, Zhyron, Emma, Paradise, Mr. Patel & Mr. Zhao

Attendance Matters

A reminder of the importance of punctuality and attendance in creating a conducive learning environment for all our students. Being on time and present in school not only demonstrates success, makes us become disciplined and also sets good habits.

9am is the start of our school day but our classes open at 8:30am, so students can hang their bags up, say hello to their teacher and play quietly before school.

We understand there are times when it is necessary for your child to be absent from school if they are ill or if they are late because they have an appointment. **If your child is well, our school expectation is they should attend school on all days that school is open.**

Please inform us if your child will be absent and with explanation so we can better code your child's absence. No communication or throw-away explanation e.g. my child will be absent today, will be recorded as T, for Truant, my other children are home so I'm keeping my child home will be recorded as E, Explained but Unjustified.

If your child is absent for three consecutive days due to illness, please provide a medical certificate. The Ministry of Education is monitoring chronic lateness to school and absentees that fall under codes T and E.

You can record an absence multiple ways - via our website Report an Absence - Chaucer School or phone the office on (09) 626 6699 and then press option 1 and follow the instructions, or email admin@chaucer.school.nz. Please note if you encounter an error message via our website, please be sure to clear your cache, turn off your device and turn it back on which should allow you to access the page again.

Rimu syndicate's picnic

Thank you very much to the whānau who attended the Rimu picnic in week three! It was the largest gathering of families for our annual picnic that we have ever had and what a wonderful afternoon it was. Families brought food and children played. The weather was fantastic and people chatted and laughed.

The Rimu staff enjoyed sharing some of the meaningful conversations they had with children and parents. The sandpit was especially favoured by many of the children for a place to play as was the Chaucer field, that had been freshly cut.

Suburbs Rugby

A big shout to our local rugby club Suburb for coming in week 3 and running a skills session with our junior students. It was fantastic to see our students learning new skills. If you would like to learn more about registering your child into rugby for the upcoming rugby season click on the link [Suburbs Rugby Football Club (Auckland) - Home]

WANTED

Community Advertisements

- Space is available for community adverts in our newsletter. Contact the school office for more details of the next available newsletter dates: admin@chaucer.school.nz.

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