



Chaucer School

# Newsletter

Empowering Confident Learners

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

Thursday 29 October 2026

**Safety/Haumaru & Mindfulness/Whakaaroaro**

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: Yaqub***

## From the Co Principals

Kia ora e te whānau,

### **Celebrating Our Staff, Cultural Day Countdown & Planning for 2027!**

Today we are excited to celebrate **Teacher Appreciation Day** across our school! We are so incredibly grateful for our talented, hardworking, dedicated, and amazing staff who go above and beyond every single day to support, inspire, and care for our tamariki. Please join us in thanking them for everything they do to make our school community such a wonderful place to learn and grow.

We are also super excited to be counting down the days until our annual **Cultural Day** event tomorrow Friday 30 October! This is always one of the absolute highlights of our school year, and thanks to our amazing community and staff, it is done so successfully every single time. Come along and join in the fun from 11am - 1pm. We can't wait to celebrate the incredible diversity, talent, and vibrant cultures that make our whānau so special.

### **Looking Ahead: Class Placements for 2027**

We will soon be beginning the process of organising our class placements for 2027. If you have a specific request that you would like us to take into consideration regarding your child's placement, please email us at; Carmen Lafaele [clafaele@chaucer.school.nz](mailto:clafaele@chaucer.school.nz) or Michael Fletcher at; [principal@chaucer.school.nz](mailto:principal@chaucer.school.nz) Please note that while we will do our best to consider your input, we cannot make any guarantees.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Carmen Lafaele & Michael Fletcher  
Co Principals

| Week | Date         | Time           | Event                                                    |
|------|--------------|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 3    | Fri 30 Oct   | 11am - 1pm     | Cultural Day<br>(in the big hall)                        |
| 4    | Fri 6 Nov    | 9:10am - 10am  | Whole school assembly<br>hosted by rooms 13, 14, 15 & 16 |
| 5    | Thurs 12 Nov | 1pm - 2.45pm   | Whole school athletics                                   |
| 5    | Thurs 12 Nov | 3pm - 5:30pm   | Chaucer Family Day                                       |
| 5    | Fri 13 Nov   | —              | Teacher Only Day<br>(school closed)                      |
| 7    | Wed 25 Nov   | 4pm - 6pm      | Board Meeting<br>(in the staffroom)                      |
| 7    | Thurs 26 Nov | 6pm-7pm        | School Production<br>(in the big hall)                   |
| 8    | Wed 2 Dec    | 9:10am-10:30am | School Prizegiving<br>(in the big hall)                  |
| 8    | Thurs 3 Dec  | 6pm-7pm        | Year 6 Graduation<br>(in the big hall)                   |
| 9    | Thurs 10 Dec | 9am - 2pm      | Last day of Term 4<br>(school finishing at 2pm)          |
| 9    | Thurs 10 Dec | 1:10pm - 2pm   | Last assembly for Term 4<br>(hosted by student leaders)  |

| Future Events 2027 |             |         |                                                            |
|--------------------|-------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| T1<br>Wk1          | Wed 3 Feb   |         | Day 1 of Term 1<br><i>Meet the Teacher</i>                 |
| T1<br>Wk1          | Thurs 4 Feb | 9am-3pm | All classrooms in session                                  |
| T1<br>Wk2          | Mon 8 Feb   | —       | Waitangi Day (observed)<br>(Public holiday, school closed) |

## Birthday Shout out

**Happy Birthday to** - Zizi, Guntas, Saadiya, Aarna, Marathon, Rehan K & Levon.



## Explore with room 16

Come and explore the wonderful world of space through our students' amazing papier-mâché models of the planets and our Sun in the Milky Way galaxy. The children have put lots of creativity, imagination and care into designing, constructing and painting their models.

You can also spot our brave little astronauts taking a spacewalk outside with their rockets as they embark on their own exciting space adventures!

We hope you enjoy exploring our space creations as much as the children enjoyed making them!



## LEND A HAND: BIKE REPAIR SESSION AT FAMILY DAY!

**Got a knack for fixing bikes and a toolbox ready to go? We need your expertise!**

Join us on **Thursday 12 November between 2:00 PM and 5:30 PM** to help get our fleet of school bikes into tip-top shape. While your tamariki or moko are out enjoying the fun at the **Chaucer School Family Day**, you can lend a hand pumping tyres, tuning gears, and tweaking brakes.

Whether you can stay for thirty minutes or the whole afternoon, your help will keep our kids rolling safely.

Bring your tools and let's get crackin'!



## Community Advertisements



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