

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

A great week with a little sunshine to give us a wee hint of spring in the air.

We started this term off with an emphasis on our school values—involving activities to reinforce the meanings of each value and the expectations we have. We have also discussed with students “Rights and Responsibilities”, learning that with every “right” (for example the right to learn, or be safe at school) comes a “responsibility”, to allow teachers to teach and all students to learn, as well as the “responsibility” we all have in “keeping our hands to ourselves”. Some great messages for society as a whole. Here at Conifer Grove School we use the term “we are a hands off school”. We believe it is both a right and a responsibility that must be part of what we stand for.

I would like to congratulate our students who always do everything by the values—we certainly do notice the outstanding results both here at school and into your future with very positive feedback from High Schools.

The national goal for student attendance is 94% - here at Conifer Grove we are at 93.4% which is fantastic, but lets aim even higher. Children cannot learn if they are not here.

Congratulations to Mrs Abernethy (former teacher in CS22) on the arrival of her new baby Harry James 7lb born 04/08/16! Both well!

A reminder to parents – If you have any issues or concerns in regard to your child, please see the class teacher as your first step. Make an appointment through the office either in person or call/email to organise a time. Following that, an appointment with the Senior Team Leader, then Senior Management/DP/Principal.

In the interest of all student’s safety we request that parents do not come onto the school site until 2.50pm each day. Should you need to come into school through the day to bring lunches or to leave a message, this must be done at the school office only.

Parents please ensure pre-schoolers are constantly under your supervision while on school grounds. Please note toilets on school site are for children only use,

A big thank you to Mr & Mrs Walker for kindly donating and installing carpet for us.

A reminder that all children must be in correct uniform at all times including correct shoes (sturdy black leather look, preferred, NOT canvas or coloured shoes please).



Have a wonderful week everyone.
Jan Robertson, Principal

School Cross Country

We are hopeful that the weather gods will be kind to us this week with this event planned for:

Thursday 11th August

11.00am races start (approx. times on **12.45pm** races finish **our website**)

Students will return to classes for roll call.

1.15pm Lunch & whanau picnic - picnic with your child during the lunch break. *PTA be selling sausages, drinks, iceblocks—all \$1.50*

2.00pm Students are permitted to leave school grounds **only if accompanied by their caregiver and signed out at their classroom**

Any changes will be posted on our website:

www.conifergrove.school.nz

Next week....

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR TICKETS YET?

CONIFER GROVE SCHOOL

QUIZ

NIGHT

FRIDAY, 19TH AUGUST

**CONIFER GROVE SCHOOL HALL
DOORS OPEN 6.30PM QUIZ STARTS 7PM.
(ADULTS ONLY)**

\$15pp
Team of 10 max includes a Light Supper.

R18 Cash Bar.
All food & drink to be purchased on site.

Cheese & Cracker platter \$20
Must be pre-ordered.

Come in & decorate your table from 6 pm on the day

BOOK A TABLE AT CONIFER GROVE SCHOOL OFFICE OR EMAIL CONIFERPTA@GMAIL.COM

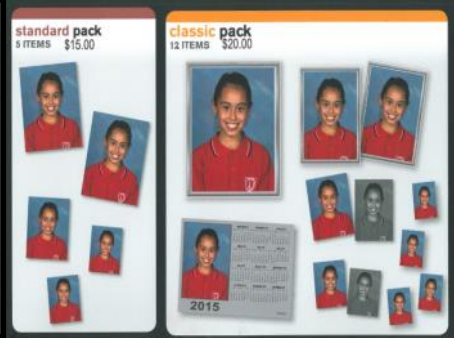
2016 TERM DIARY

TODAY	PTA Mtg @ The Good Home 7pm (all welcome)
11 Aug	School Cross Country 11am
15 Aug	New Entrant Intake 2 BOT Meeting 6.30pm
16 Aug	ICAS Maths
19 Aug	Mini Basketball Yr 7/8 PTA Quiz Night 6.30pm
24 Aug	NC Cross Country
26 Aug	Zone Badminton Yr 6-8
2 Sept	Rehu Tahi Festival
12 Sept	New Entrant Intake 3
19 Sept	Photolife—Individual Photos BOT Meeting 6.30pm
21 Sept & 22 Sept	Dancing Under the Stars
23 Sept	LAST DAY OF TERM 3
10 Oct	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4
24 Oct	LABOUR DAY—NO SCHOOL
29 Oct	Marimba Festival— ASB Stadium
26 Nov	PTA Xmas Market
9 Dec	Honours Board Assembly
12 Dec	Haemata End of Year Assembly 1.30pm
13 Dec	Kotahitanga End of Year Assembly 1.30pm
14 Dec	Timata End of Year Assembly 11am
16 Dec	LAST DAY OF TERM 4—school closes 12.30pm

2017 ENROLMENTS If you are a Conifer Grove resident and have a child turning 5 in 2017 - please contact the school office now.

**PHOTOLIFE PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHS
19TH SEPTEMBER at Conifer Grove School**

TWO OPTIONS:
1) STANDARD PACK \$15
2) CLASSIC PACK \$20
Prepaid envelopes will be sent home shortly
Sibling photos also available on request.



LOST PROPERTY There are a huge number of unnamed items in the box outside CS6 - shoes, polar fleece jumpers etc— please ensure you clearly name all uniform items so that they can be returned to you!

CAN YOU HELP US? Parent Reading Volunteers are needed to help our Yr0-2 children practice their reading please contact Miss Brooks CS5 via email katieb@cgschool.ac.nz or leave your details with the office staff.

Support the Cancer Society this DAFFODIL DAY
Wear your Daffodil proudly. Available at the office now for **GOLD COIN DONATIONS**



Student of the Term

This award is sponsored by Rainbows End. Congratulations to the following students who received their awards at assembly for: Displaying great attitudes and upholding our school values

- Year 1 Oliver L Year 2 Tracey S. Year 3 Eden Joy R.
- Year 4 Olivia F Year 5 Jarryll C. Year 6 Alicia U.
- Year 7 Surleen S. Year 8 Ethan H.

WELL DONE TO THESE STUDENTS!

Have you changed your phone number, email address or emergency contacts? Please let the office know so that we are contact you if your child is unwell or in case of an emergency.

Community Notices

Future Ferns 10 week programme
26/09/16 to 05/12/16 Mondays 5.30-6.30pm
Sessions: Yr 1&2 Yr3&4 Yr5&6
Registrations close 12/09/16
Enquiries: Jill 2993873 or 0274547868
or taffy01@xtra.co.nz
All participants will receive a free t-shirt & certificate

Rosehill Raptors Basketball
Learn the fundamentals of Basketball. Year 5-8
Rosehill Sports Centre Thursdays Afternoons Cost: Free
Year 3.45—4.45 (Year5/6) 4.45-5.45 (Year 7/8)

Supporting success in your school.
If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$150,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

BUYING A NEW HOME?? HELP OUR SCHOOL AT THE SAME TIME For full details go to asb.co.nz/schoolbanking T's & C's apply

Football for Children Professional and Qualified Coaching
MINI SUPER 5's

Students enjoyed sessions of football fun last week. Football FC are running a program for Year 0-8 students starting - This Thursday 3.15-4.15 —if you are interested come along or register online at footballfc.co.nz

