



# NEWSLETTER

Message from  
The Principal  
**JOHN CHANNER**



Kia ora whānau

One of the best things I have attended recently was a parent session at Maidstone Intermediate by Rob Cope, called 'Our Kids Online'.

I really wished I had attended this 5+ years ago to support me as a parent, and I also wish that every parent from Fraser Crescent School had also attended. Rob highlighted many of the dangers children face in the online world, as well as giving parents some strategies and tools to deal with these challenges.

It's easy to think that these issues won't impact our kids until they are older, but this isn't the case. Many of the issues raised have impacted kids at Fraser Crescent School over recent years. If you ever get a chance to hear Rob's presentation, I recommend you attend. There is also lots of information on his website <https://www.ourkidsonline.info/>

Ngā mihi, John Channer.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April**  
Kaea (8 of them) trip to Smiley Faces and Childhood Concepts
- **Friday 11th April**  
Last day of Term 1
- **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**  
Period Project in with Y5/Y6 girls
- **Tuesday 6th May**  
Interschool Football
- **Friday 16th May**  
Pink Shirt Day

<b>TERM 01</b>	<b>MON 3 FEB - FRI 11 APR</b> Thursday 6 February: Waitangi Day Friday 7 February: Teacher Only Day
<b>TERM 02</b>	<b>MON 28 APR - FRI 27 JUN</b> Friday 30 May: Teacher Only Day Monday 2 June: King's Birthday Friday 20 June: Matariki
<b>TERM 03</b>	<b>MON 14 JUL - FRI 19 SEP</b>
<b>TERM 04</b>	<b>MON 6 OCT - WED 17 DEC</b> Friday 24 October: Teacher Only Day Monday 27 October: Labour Day

### 2025 Teacher Only Days

Friday 7th February  
Friday 30th May  
Friday 24th October

### 2025 Public Holidays

Waitangi Day	Thursday 6 February
Good Friday	Friday 18 April
Easter Monday	Monday 21 April
Easter Tuesday	Tuesday 22nd April
Anzac Day	Friday 25 April
King's Birthday	Monday 2 June
Matariki	Friday 20 June
Labour Day	Monday 27 October





## TŪI CROSS COUNTRY

On Monday 31<sup>st</sup> of March, our Tūi roopu kids came to school dressed in their house colours ready for a range of outdoor activities. One of those challenges was the Cross Country trial. The top 10 students for each gender and year group qualified and a letter was sent home. Congrats to the below students who came 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in their bracket..

- Mila, Emily and Christiana
- Irie, Freddie and Cruz
- Saskia, Grace and Willow
- Mateo, Oliver and Marley



## TRADITIONAL MĀORI GAMES

On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> of March, 20 of our taura attended Traditional Māori Games at Trentham Memorial Park. All our students were placed in different houses and competed in teams with students from other Upper Hutt kura. It was such a fantastic day out and our kids represented Fraser Crescent School well!

Ngā mihi to our parent helpers and sports coordinator Sarah, for making it possible!

## CULTURE AT FCS

At Fraser Crescent School we have lots of cool opportunities to connect with and explore different cultures. In Term 1 we held our own **Mihi Whakatau**, started after school **Kapa Haka**, a lunchtime **Cultural Club** started up, we held a **Céili** on St Patrick's Day, **Kaea** roopu were selected, students could choose **Kemu** for Fraser Time and many more opportunities within classes and roopu.

Next term we will be adding two different Polynesian opportunities. **Breed Music** will be back to work with some of our students on rhythm, drumming and sasa. We will also start **Samoan dance** as one of our Fraser Time options. With **Hutt Fest** and **Show Quest** toward the end of term 2, there are lots of opportunities for kids to get involved in this year.





