

Thursday 13th August 2015



# Newsletter No12

Value for the Week: **Respect**  
“Treat others how you want to be treated because what comes around goes around!”

“Providing a quality education that develops confident children.”



◆ Our **VALUE** for the week is **RESPECT**. We talked about the importance of relationships and that how we treat, talk, play with others will be returned to us.

◆ **Facebook** – As discussed in our last newsletter we have established a Facebook page for the school. We have 57 members to our page which includes many photos, articles and school/community events. Facebook’s conditions include are no one under 13 should have a profile

page, therefore no one under 13 will be accepted as a member of our page.

◆ **Big Night Out!** – A big thank you to Robyn Walford and her team on the Fundraising Committee for organising last Saturday’s Big Night Out. Over 100 people enjoyed a evening together with good banter, music and dance. Well done team.

◆ **The Fundraising Committee** have committed to purchasing another 12 chrome-books for the school. That will mean Rooms 1 and 2 have a chrome-book each and there will be 10 in Room 4 for these learners to develop confidence, cyber safety, ICT competence and skills needed in the senior classes.



◆ **Visual Art House Challenge**—Congratulations to **TAWA** for winning the recent house challenge. The challenge was based around books or book characters and the quality of not only the worked but also the collaboration, teamwork and general attitude was first rate.

◆ **Hockey**—is drawing to a close for the season. The Mini Sticks were involved in a dress up contest and **WON**. The Smurf theme was outstanding, well done Nicky Pearce for being such a good sport!



◆ **Jack Flash and the Jumping Beanstalk**—The NZ Playhouse came to Fordell again and we invited Kaitoke School too. The production this year was lively and entertaining. The kids loved it.

◆ **Darryl Vincent**—I wanted to thank Darryl for the donation of sausages and meat paddies to the school. These are being sold on Fridays and the profit going to Room 1 camp at the end of the year. We really do appreciate his support.

## Our Values

- Compassion
- Responsibility
- Respect
- Confidence
- Pride
- Honesty
- Courage
- Commitment

## Important Dates for Term 3

10/8		<b>Week</b>
11/8	1.30pm Te Reo/Arts	
12/8	Hot Lunches/orders	<b>Four</b>
	FMS Room 2 soccer	
	<b>Conferences</b>	
13/8	<b>Conferences</b>	
14/8	Netball Skills R1-4	
	2.30pm Assembly R1	
17/8		<b>Week</b>
18/8	1.30pm TeReo/Arts	
19/8	R2—FMS soccer	<b>Five</b>
	Hot Lunches/Orders	
20/8	2.30pm Bible/Culture classes	
	2.30pm Netball team to South Makirirkiri School	
21/8	Netball Skills R1-4	
	2.30pm Assembly R2	
24/8		<b>Week</b>
25/8	1.30pm TeReo/Arts	
26/8	R2— FMS Soccer	<b>Six</b>
	Hot Lunches/Orders	
27/8	2.30pm Bible/Culture classes	
	6pm <b>Winter Sport Evening</b>	
28/8	Netball Skills R1-4	
	1.30 <b>School Cross Country</b>	

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Bridgitte O'Leary



Bridgitte is a well-motivated and talented student. Her enthusiasm spreads outside class to netball and drama, with a major role in the year’s school production.

◆ **Fordell Garage Sale**—Janet Wakeling has initiated this event. The flyer is included in the newsletter.

**Phil Walker—Principal**

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In the last couple of assemblies we have celebrated the success of our "Student of the Week".

*Room 1:*

**Adam George**—For renewed responsibility in his work.

**Georgina Bryant**—For a mature organised approach to all that she does.

*Room 2:*

**Ari George**—For having a great attitude and taking greater responsibility for his learning.

**Lauren Phillips**—For always setting herself high standards of presentations and work completion; and achieving them!

*Room 3:*

**Daniel O'Neill**—For excellent work and a 'can do' attitude.

**Xavier Gardiner**—For his kind nature and courage to 'have a go.'

*Room 4:*

**Danielle Houlahan**— For always showing enthusiasm towards her school work.

**Chloe Harrison**—For starting tasks instantly and staying focused throughout.

**Values of the Week:** These students have received a certificate for displaying the school values on a consistent basis:-

Ella Meehan, Renee Biggs, Bridgitte O'Leary, Rebekah Phillips, Libby Firmin, Christian Sklenars-Quilter, Larissa Benn, John Bryant, Louise McGuire, Elena O'Leary, Anna Ross, Seth Forlong, Rebekah Bayler, Kyle Dickon, Harry Sewell, Alesha Todd, Caleb Houlahan, Charlie Ross, Annabelle Spetch, Matthew Grice, Addison Harker, Kiana TeKahika, Maks Reistma, Elena Solomona, Anya Sewell, Angus Pearce, Angus Sewell, Andrew Grice, Lucca Plowright.



# FORDELL HALL GARAGE SALE

**SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER**  
**8AM START**

Are you interested in participating?

Cost: \$5 per trestle table (16 available)  
Proceeds of trestle table hire will be donated 50/50 to the Fordell School & the Fordell Pre-School. All money made from sales of your goods is your own.

To book a table (or 2)  
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**"Be less curious about people and more curious about ideas."**  
**Marie Curie**

**Happy Birthday.**  
In **August** we have had birthdays for **Chase Rowe** (11th), and **Michael O'Neill** (14th). Happy Birthday to you both.

**WINTER SPORTS NIGHT**  
The school leaders are helping to organise a Winter Sports Night on Thursday 27th August. The evening will be a collection of fun and games and a shared supper. So diary this evening as it is sure to be a load of fun!



**Wanganui Chronicle**—Great to see Bridgitte, Libby, Bridie, Larissa and Adam in Monday's newspaper. The paper asked students from Fordell and Keith Street about the recent death of Cecil the Lion in Zimbabwe at the hands of an American dentist.



**Mrs O'Neill**—is working with a small group of Room 3 students on Monday and Wednesdays. She is working with the 'big kids' and leaves work for them for the remainder of the week when they return to Mrs Reddish and Room 3. They are working in the refurbished Library. This extension work is supporting their learning and extending their literacy skills.





We invited Playhouse to Fordell again this year. Kaitoke School and Fordell School joined together at the Fordell Hall for their latest production, "Jack Flash and the Jumping Beanstalk." All the students were engaged in a funny, fast flowing production. The acting was excellent and everyone enjoyed the production.

School donations paid for this event.



**Hockey Festival—**  
Fordell School Year 4

to 8 students joined St Marcellin at the Gonville Turf on Friday July 31st. This was a celebration day and a conclusion to the Small Sticks Hockey programme that Fordell School is involved in. It was a organised morning with Hockey Wanganui, Michelle Low and her team. The kids enjoyed 2 hours of hockey skills and small sided games.

School Donations paid for the transportation.

**"We have to be willing to let our children struggle and fail and make mistakes without always rushing in to protect them or fix the problem. We also have to be careful not to give the contradictory message that mistakes are OK, except when they count."**

"Why Wrong Is Not Always Bad" by Alina Tugend in *Education Week*, May 18, 2011



**Visual Arts House Challenge.**—Another competitive event was organised for last Friday. The challenge was to produce a piece of art for the Library that represented a book or characters from a book. The houses worked collectively to produce their art work. I would like to compliment the leaders from the houses and senior students who ensured younger students were engaged and contributing to the art work. There was a lot of planning and preparation involved and the finished products are of real quality. They are in the Library for viewing. Well done everyone and congratulations to TAWA who won this challenge.



**Fordell School - "Quality Education; Confident Children"**



During the Grand Final practical day, the AgriKidsNZ competitors had a 60 minute written test which was made up of 5 sections. One of these sections was an essay component in which they had to pick one of three given topics to write a minimum of 200 words on. This is an exemplar from the Fordell Farmhands team, who ended up winning the test category overall.

### What is the purpose of AgriKidsNZ?

AgriKidsNZ is a competition which brings people from all over New Zealand together for one event. It encourages teams to work together and develops a greater appreciation of agriculture. But what is the main purpose of this event? We are going to make this clear to you. Firstly, it educates the younger generations about agriculture and all other aspects of farming. In 20 years' time, these are the people who will be running farms all over NZ and perhaps in other countries. They can start farming already knowing various valuable information that can greatly help their farm to be successful. Secondly, it develops valuable skills that are essential to not only farming but in life. Teams have to communicate well to each other, they have to work together and have to manage their time well in order to be successful. What better way to grow these essential skills?

In addition, AgriKidsNZ competition puts great emphasis on health and safety. An example of this is before beginning of an activity all health and safety risks were pointed out. We were also made aware of the risks around animals and farm equipment.

Lastly, AgriKidsNZ is a great competition full of fun and enjoyable activities designed to challenge and find the most knowledgeable and talented children in New Zealand. It develops a greater appreciation of agriculture, educates the younger generation and develops essential skills and awareness of health and safety. We believe that we have just made clear to you the main purpose of AgriKidsNZ and why it is such a great event.

By *Georgina Bryant, Bridgitte O'Leary, Seth Forlong.*

### Seven Seas Services

*Bored of business?*

*Sick of stress?*

Then this job could be the one you are looking for, a stress-free life sailing the bright blue seas on a pirate galleon.



You will need:

One pair of ripped pants, Two pairs of stripy tops preferably red or blue, Socks and Undies.

The ability to fight, say AR HAR very loudly and be able to hold your breath for a long time ( 3 minutes) because you may be dragged under a boat, but don't worry it is for entirely educational purposes.

Your salary is 1/15 of every treasure chest we find and free rum.

The successful applicant would be able to walk with one human leg and one wooden leg, plus be able to see equally well with both eyes in case one gets cut out and fight with both hands because one may get cut off.

If you are interested in this job contact Seven Seas Services at 3427611 or 220169193 or drop off at our house/shop at 27 Budge Street, Fordell, RD2, Wanganui, North island, New Zealand, The World, The Milky Way, Space. Or Send in a bottle in the direction of north seas.

By *Bridie Knapp*

### My Treasure Box

In my treasure box are some golden toys. My colourful treasure chest is very big. Kiana and I are digging up the treasure box. **By Addie**



**My treasure box has golden clothes. There is \$1000 and there are golden squares. There are some golden hats and there are some golden fish. By Matthew**

In my treasure box there are lots and lots of diamonds. There is a necklace and chocolate! **By Daniel**

**I have a bit of money. The rings are very big. They are as big as a spoon. There are diamonds in my treasure box too. By Toby**

My chest has small, golden Lego men and a golden Lego ship. The golden Lego captain was holding a coin. The Lego men were heavy and they were really bright. **By James**

### Captain Inchworm

On top of the bedraggled old head is a tattered, hole punched piece of leather.

The ropes on the head are as black as the Antarctic winter in June. With ripped and torn skin, no one can be as vile as Inchworm.

Inchworm the pirate captain is as rich as a king, no one can defeat Inchworm. **By Sam C**

### Pirates

On top of his head is a

scruffy vile holey hat.

Revolting dreadlocks that have dust and sea salt hanging from his head.

His clothes are ripped and raggy.

Skin as rough as a rhinoceros.

Nobody can defeat Captain Black Blood. **By Stevie**

### STORM

Strong winds blew like a tornado that would whirl round the land at top speed, busting through everything in it's path. Lightning struck as a wild storm bolted closer and closer to the rough, tough sea.

Ferocious waves grew into terrible monsters as they stalked the creatures of the ocean.

Fiercely, the Great Ranger sailed through the stormy war. Terrified buccaneers were worried as can be, so they prayed it would give a sudden stop. **By Lennox**

### Tornado

Woosh!!! The wind blew madly that bought a whirling tornado into the city. Shadow clouds quietly crept into the buildings of the city while drips of rain poured in like cannon balls from a tank. Tsunamis grew into aggressive monsters which brought forth chaos to the villagers.

Galleons cruised in the mist, somewhere between the seven seas. Mountains of mud, strikes of lightning and seas of innocent people, praying for it to stop. **By Elena**