

Wednesday 21st October 2015



Newsletter No16

Value for the Week: **RESPECT**
"Respect your efforts; respect yourself."

"Providing a quality education that develops confident children."

Our Values

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



◆ Our **VALUE** for the week is **RESPECT**. Discussing the school value helps students cement these values and supports the link between expectations at school and home.

◆ **Trish Reddish**—Trish has tendered her resignation this week to take up a position with the RTBL Service (Resource Teachers for Behaviour and Learning) starting in **2016**. Trish will continue to work at

Fordell School until the end of the year. We will have opportunities over the rest of the term to celebrate her time with us and reflect on the quality of her teaching and learning programmes, the positive relationships that she has made with not only our learners but also the community and the hard work over the last 5 years that has made Fordell the school it is today. We will miss her commitment, support and energy that she has brought to our school. Trish will be a great asset for the RTLB Service sharing her knowledge and experience, making a positive contribution to the learners throughout the Wanganui region.



◆ **Ag/Pet Week**—Copies of the timetable have been sent home, they are on our Website (Parental Notices) **AND** it is on our Facebook Page. It looks like another great week for all, well done Trish Reddish and Cath Cranstone for all your hard work planning the days.

◆ **PGG Wrightson**—Are currently running a promotion 'Cash for Communities'. If you purchase Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser on your PGG Wrightson account you are able to nominate Fordell School as a benefactor of this programme.

◆ **AG/PET WEEK**—*Tuesday 27th October* : Young Farmer heats, Class activities.
Wednesday 28th October: Dogs/Horses and Caged Animals. *Thursday 29th October*: Lamb and Calf Day, Finals Young Farmer and House Competition.

• **Matthews Agriculture Flat Track Supporting Fordell School.**
The Wanganui Motorcycle Club recently held an event and raised \$400 for Fordell School. We thank them very much!

• **Preschool Gala**—Sunday 8th November. This event will be held at Hammond Park. Come along and support our Preschool, there is plenty to do and see! This should be another quality event.

• **2016 Dates—Term Dates for 2016 are;**
Term 1 - Thursday 4th Feb - Friday 15th April.
Term 2 - Monday 2nd May - Friday 8th July.
Term 3 - Monday 25th July - Friday 23rd Sept.
Term 4 - Monday 10th Oct - Tuesday 20th Dec.

Important Dates for Term 4

19/10	Week
20/10 1.30pm TeReo/Arts	
6pm BoT Meeting	Two
21/10 FMS Cricket R2	
Lunch Orders	
22/10	
23/10 Calendar Art due	
2.30pm Assembly Room 2 item	

26/10 Labour Day	Week
27/10 Ag/Pet refer timetable	
28/10 Lunch Orders	Three
FMS Cricket R2	
Ag/Pet refer timetable	
29/10 Ag/Pet refer timetable	
Grandparents day	
30/10 9.10am Tough Kids	
No Assembly today	

2/11	Week
3/11 1.30pm TeReo/Arts	
Room 1 Camp	Four
4/11 FMS Cricket R2	
Lunch Orders	
Room 1 Camp	
5/11 Room 1 Camp	
6/11 2.30pm Assembly Room 3	
Room 1 Camp	
8/11 Preschool Gala	



We have planned 2 teacher only days through the year.

• **Calendar Orders**—The forms went home on Monday for this year's calendar orders and I know the students have been working hard to produce some quality work. Orders and money must be in by Friday 30th October. **Phil Walker—Principal**

STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Grace Auker

Grace is a multi- talented pupil who has a gentle yet determined manner taking every opportunity to achieve to the highest standards.

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

Room 1:

Ethan Coffey—For his improved enthusiasm for schoolwork and extra curricular activities.

Lachlan Morrison—For stepping out of his comfort zone for an ARR– and a half in the school production!

Room 2:

Louise McGuire—For demonstrating a positive attitude to new challenges.

George Pearce—For his commitment to doing his absolute best in the production.

Room 3:

Olivia Walker —For showing responsibility and determination to succeed.

Christopher Apihai—For excellent manners and helpfulness.

Room 4:

Stevie Benefield— What an amazing start to the term. Keep up the focus.

Angus Sewell— For showing initiative on a daily basis.



Value of the Week: These students have received a certificate for displaying the school values on a consistent basis: Larissa Benn, Rebekah Phillips, Bella Lamont, John Bryant,

George Pearce, Michael O’Neill, Lauren Phillips, Caleb Houlahan, Sophie Cranstone, Charlie Ross, Kiana TeKahika, Georgie Ross, Danielle Houlahan, Angus Pearce, Sam Cranstone. Christian Sklenars-Quilter, Ethan Coffey, Koby Plowright, Isaac Kosena-Newman, Seth Forlong, Anna Ross, Heike Reitsma, Sophie Cranstone, Maks Reitsma, Addie Harker, Makayla Stephens, Maggie Pearce, Sam Cranstone and Lilly West.

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The Arts—Dance is a hit, check out Angus P and the gang!




Values Badges.

Congratulations to **John Bryant (GOLD), Charlie Ross (Values), Larissa Benn (Bronze), Max McGregor (Bronze), Sam Cranstone (Silver), Addison Harker (Values).** Well done to this group of fabulous learners!



Happy Birthday.

In October **Mitchell Vincent** and **Heike Reitsma (2nd), Danielle Houlahan (5th), Georgina Bryant (12th), Niko TeKahika (14th),** have had birthdays. Congratulations and Happy Birthday!



Term 3 Mathletics results for Fordell School below.

The initial figures show the average score for a student's first attempt at a curriculum activity and the average maximum score achieved for an activity - identifying progression.

average 1st attempt*: **62.0%**
average top attempt* **87.4%**
average Improvement: **25.4%**

The following stats highlight the number of Curriculum Activity and Live Mathletics questions that were answered correctly.

Total curriculum correct: **13355**
185.5 per student correct
Total correct Live Mathletics: **12920**
179.4 per student correct

Top Performers:
Caleb Todd—Concepts Mastered: 32
Ben Mackintosh— Concepts Mastered: 23
Anya Sewell— Concepts Mastered: 22

Holiday Projects.

These holidays we had some plumbing work completed around Rooms 3 and 4. A drain was re-laid and the soak pit upgraded. Concrete work was completed in front of Room 3 to stop the pooling of water. Following recent rain we are pleased to report the new drainage work was a success!



You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them. Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud. Do not complain. Make every effort to change things you do not like. If you cannot make a change, change the way you have been thinking. You might find a new solution.

Maya Angelou



Room 4 had a great day out last term. We visited the Wanganui Museum where we learnt about waka's and the meanings behind some of the maori carvings. We even pretended that we were maori warriors paddling in a waka.

Following the Museum we visited the Wanganui Library where we had a quick tour of the children's section and then listened to a couple of pirate stories. We then had to design our very own pirate flag, which was a lot of fun. Most of us had a skull on our flag!



Spring!

Spring is awesome,
Spring is new.

A huge long blue sky,
Will mean it will be dry.

With daylight saving, it is light,
In the day the sun will be bright.

The air will smell quite sweet,
As you're walking down the street.

The flowers and trees will grow,
As the light breeze will blow.

Spring is awesome, spring is new,
I like spring, how about you?

By John Bryant

Nathan Ashworth and Shirleen (Eva's Mum) stained the deck around the school house. It looks fabulous, thank you!



Spring

I love
spring
spring is
new
New leaves
sprout

Children shout
Trees and flowers
No more showers
Spring has arrived
Life will thrive
Watching every hour
Watching the flower
I love spring
Spring is new.

By Michael O'Neill



National Shakeout Drill—Drop Cover Hold!

Last Thursday was the National-wide drill and

Fordell School participated.

Each term we practice an Earthquake Drill, Fire Drill and a Lockdown to ensure we are all safe and that our learners are aware of what to do in such circumstances.



How To Annoy Your Mother.

- 1) Spend two weeks with her, with no school. . .
- 2) Don't listen to her and just keep replying with 'no.'
- 3) Break down everything she says and think of silly reasons as to why it is not grammatically correct.
- 4) Moan about every meal she makes.
- 5) Keep turning up the music after she's turned it down.
- 6) Let your pet lamb pee on the porch and don't clean it up. . .
- 7) Leave all your shoes scrambled around the front door.
- 8) Always stall at bedtime by thinking of random things that happened that day.
- 9) Pretend that you just fainted at bedtime and lie on the floor until she yells.
- 10) Sneak up to her, tickle her feet and cover your ears; she will scream!

If you follow these instructions I guarantee that you will 'drive your mother up the wall' while on holiday! *By Lauren Phillips*

Work as if you live in the early days of a better nation.

Dennis Lee (Canadian poet)



Room 2 and their chrome-books working with 'Scratch'...

How to annoy your brother!!

1. Steal something he loves to play with.
2. Mix up his cereal with something he doesn't like.
3. Start singing. [brothers hate girls singing.
4. Delete his favorite show.
5. Poor cold water on your brother at six o'clock in the morning.
6. When it's a school day put food he hates in his lunch box.
7. Make his bed a mess
8. Hide his favorite dvd
9. Put his toys in the rubbish
10. When he's asleep put nail polish on his fingers.

By Lucca Plowright—Room 4

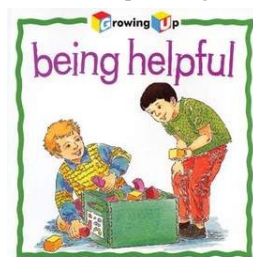
Being helpful in the classroom by Room 3

I help stack the chairs and I help sick people. I help zip my friends' bags. I help put the books out and I help to put the magic wands away. *Olivia Campbell*

I help people write. I help to clean up the classroom. When someone is by themselves I play with them. I help to stack the chairs at the end of the day. *Christopher*

When we are on the mat the teacher picks two people to hand out the book bags. When the book bags are in our big bags we zip our bags properly. When it is the end of the day we put the chairs away. I put the glue sticks away. *Addison*

I put the chairs out. I help people to zip their back packs. I share the ball. We put things away and I help with book bags. I push the chairs under the tables. I help Mrs Reddish rub out the board and I help with putting the books away. *Matthew*



Pirates of the Curry Bean!

Last night it was Fordell Schools time to shine in front of their parents.

Danielle was Fluke the Sailor, I was Bilboe the pirate. Scuttle and Slack were funny. (Lauren and Rebekah) I was really nervous at the start but then I grew excited. The rest of room 3 and 4 did fabulous singing. It was a fun filled night. It was my favourite production we have ever done. All of the cast were great actors.

Well done Fordell school! **Lucca Plowright.**



The Pirates Of The Curry Bean

*Smoke floats up into the air, I feel very nervous. Silent!, the lights are turned off, the music turned on and we all turned around as Michael came on stage or A.K.A Dead Eye. Pot of gold played and we all stood up. I tried to sing from the top of my lungs finally it worked. My mum was looking at me, I felt proud. Mum and I thought Lauren, Rebecca and John were good at acting, for the first time I actually enjoyed singing. **Stevie B***

Beware!!!!

These deadly pirates were last seen leaving Fordell.
Do Not Approach. They are armed and dangerous



Please Mr. Reddish, Sir
This boy Mark Magoo
keeps hitting me under the table, Sir
what should I do?

Put your legs up on the table,
Ride away on your bike,
Amputate your knee, My Dear
Do whatever you like.

Please Mr Reddish, Sir,
This boy Mark Magoo
Is breaking all my pencils, Sir
What should I do?

Hold them in your hand, my dear
put them in your coat,
But please stop nagging me,
before I grab you by throat.

Please Mr Reddish, Sir
This boy Mark Magoo,
Is pulling silly faces at me,
What should I do?

Pull his hair clean out, my dear
Try to go out walking,
Smack him round his head, my dear,
But just please stop talking.

Please Mr Reddish, Sir
This boy Mark Magoo,
Keeps stealing my ruler, Sir
What should I do?

Keep it in your hand, my dear
Go and sit over there,
buy another if you want,
But really I don't care!

Bella Lamont R1

How To Annoy Your Mother!

1. Have a holiday with her in Rarotonga.
 2. When she asks you a question shrug your shoulders.
 3. Lie in the hammock, when she asks you to do something, say "Later!" in a bored sounding voice.
 4. Beg for ice-cream because it is so hot.
 5. Refuse to put on sunscreen.
 6. Play a game of cards against her, lose the game, throw the cards at something. (Preferably her)
 7. When you get a flat tyre say things like; "Well this is fun!" or "At least it isn't raining!"
 8. When you wait at the bus stop for ages ask lots of questions.
 9. When she shouts dinner, eat as much as you can!
 10. Take heaps of pointless selfies on her phone...
- So there you have it! I guarantee that if you follow my ten simple steps then you will have an annoyed mother in no time. Have fun annoying!

By John Bryant



The Arts—Mrs Cranstone has this group singing loud and proud. Over the course of the year each student has completed lessons in Drama, Dance and Singing.



The Great Fordell Possum Hunt & Spring Gala

Sunday 8th November 2015@ Hammond Park,

Fordell from 11am – 3pm

Main Category: Possum Adult and/or child.

Kids categories: Possum, rabbit, hare, magpies, peacock and goats

Great Prizes, Craft stalls, Food & drink, Games. Entry Forms and further info contact

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Like our FB page: The Great Fordell Possum Hunt 2015 & Spring Gala.



Craft Stalls **Games** **Balloons**

Face painting **Possum Hunt** **Bouncy Castle**

Food & Drink **Spring Gala** **Car smash!**

Cakes/sweet stalls **and more!**

Fordell Preschool

Sunday Nov 8th 11am-3pm
Hammond Park, Fordell



My mother always told me that there was nothing to be afraid of in the dark; maybe she never saw it because it was the same colour as the darkness. Every night, at midnight, the scariest, creepiest, bloodcurdling, spine shivering figure, with a heart of cold hard stone, slinks out of my cupboard. Into my room this demon from the parallel universe slithers. I am cursed by a demon using a time vortex, a rift through time and space, releasing this horrible demon in to my room; this is my punishment for not doing my homework!

Geordie McGregor Room 1.

Fordell School is on FACEBOOK