

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Life Flight Open Day, Supported by Interislander Sunday 10th April 10am-2pm

Join us for an action-packed day and enjoy rescue demos, emergency service displays, delicious food, spot prizes and plenty of kid's entertainment. You can even win a flight on Life Flight's Westpac Rescue Helicopter! Location: 17 George Bolt Street, Rongotai, Wellington (near the Lyall Bay Warehouse). Entry: By donation. All proceeds go to Life Flight Trust.

Puppet Making Workshop

Bring the family to Wainuiomata Library to make puppets and create your own puppet show! Everyone welcome, all materials provided.
Wainuiomata Library Saturday 2 April, 2pm

WANTED: Alive and having your say! Grandparents raising children

According to the last census, there are 9500 families out there where grandchildren/ mokopuna are being raised by their grandparents, great-grandparents and other kin.

If you are such a family, or know such a family, we want to hear from you. We know that you are raising children who may otherwise be in foster care and who may have lots of special needs.

We know that you may have had battles with government agencies, health and education services and even in the courts. Our survey gives you a chance to have your say, to tell your story, to tell us how things need to change to make your lives better. Now is the time! The survey will run until mid-May 2016. It can be completed online on a computer or smart phone, by telephone or on paper. Either, go online at www.grg.org.nz and follow the links. If you don't have a computer, go to your local library and ask them to help you get set up – then it is easy! Or, ring Liz (free) at **0800 78 78 75** to... ask us to email you a link to the survey, or ask us to do it with you over the phone, or ask us for a paper copy. If you are in a school, community group or support agency, please help us reach people you know who are raising their grandchildren. Also, please offer your help to support these families to complete the survey. This message is authorised by Kate Bundle of GRG Trust. Contact me with any questions at 0272446763 or kate@grg.org.nz. Contact Liz Gordon at Pūkeko Research Limited on 0800 78 78 75 to get access to the survey or ask questions about it.

FROSTY SPORT Just a quick word to say that a new indoor ice skating rink has opened in Wellington. So if you are looking for something new and different for the kids to do, then come on down. We have called it "Frosty Spot" and it's located at 85-87 Port Road in Seaview, on the same site as Daytona Raceway indoor go karting. Feel free to check us out at: www.facebook.com/Frostyspoticerink/. As an introductory offer only available to the local schools, all children are \$5 each, with all teachers/parent helpers skating for free (normally \$10 for kids and \$20 for adults). This will allow you exclusive access for 1.5hr with a minimum of 20 skaters required. This offer is only available during school hours until the end of term two. If you wish to take advantage of this offer please call us on 04 586 4275 or email us to book your time. Students are more than welcome to bring their own food and drinks as well.

WETA WORKSHOP SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

April 18th-22nd 2016 (tailored to children aged 7-12 years)

For the upcoming school holidays, Weta Workshop are opening their doors to give kids a special look at what goes into making movie magic.

Let Weta Workshop take your child through a journey of movie magic work with our school holiday program. Workshops are open featuring drawing, sculpting, make-up and more! Don't miss out, book now online at <http://wetaworkshop.com/visit-us/workshop-tours/tour/school-holiday-programme>.

LEARN TO PLAY TENNIS

Holiday Programme For Primary School Children

Supported by HVTA

Dates: Tuesday 26, Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 April, 2016. (wet or fine)

Venue: Mitchell Park (Mitchell Street, Lower Hutt)

If wet the programme will be held in the squash courts.

Timetable: 9.00am-10.00 am- Girls from 5-8 years old
10.00am-11.00 am- Boys from 5-8 years old

11.00am-12.00 noon- Girls from 9 years +
1.00pm-2.00 pm- Boys from 9 years +

Cost: \$33-00 for the 3 days. Money to be paid on the first day.

Registration: Contact Gary Nelson –Ph. 5897178 or Email - a.nelson@xtra.co.nz

Note: Enrolments must be received by- Tuesday 19 April, 2016.

EARLY ENROLMENT is advised as this programme is very popular and the first 12 enrolments in each age group will be accepted.

School Holiday Computer Classes

For ages 5 – 15 in Minecraft, Create 3D Games, Coding, Web Design, Animation, Video Editing, and Building a PC and if young the Discovery Computer Class. For further information call 488 0787 or e-mail www.grandtraining.co.nz.

Sunday 17 - Thursday 21 April .El Rancho Kids Camp.

The theme is "LET'S GO CAMPING".....so there'll be the same great camp experience we usually offer, along with a Survival stream for those that are keen to sleep outdoors and challenge their survival skills!

Book at www.elrancho.co.nz.

GOOD CHILDREN to GREAT CHILDREN via NUTRITION.

NZ Kids Food are a new locally owned and operated company offering an easy and convenient service for parents and caregivers to order their child's school lunches via an online service. Lunches are a low cost alternative to some conventional methods of ordering lunches for your children. Our rates start at \$3.70 per lunch (if you are a Community Services Card holder) or \$5.20. Lunches are delivered fresh daily to the school by 10am, and incorporate food based on the Ministry of Health food and nutritional guidelines. For every lunch ordered through NZ Kids Food, 10c will be donated back to our School, as contribution and support towards the school. This is a great way to give back to the school and local community. For more information about our service, visit www.nzkidsfood.co.nz or 0800543736

COMMUNICATION 2016

Communication is a very important part of our relationship with you. Below are the three forms of communication we use...

- Email – if you wish to receive communication via email please ensure the office have your correct email address. We are able to send all newsletters and notices via email
- Website – www.stclaudine.school.nz – this is in the process of being updated for the 2016 school year.
- Our school App – this is downloadable from the app store – if you already have the app you will need to update this for 2016 as there are some things which have been updated for ease of use.



We post updates and messages on our school Facebook page along with celebrating special events our students and staff are involved in.



Thanks for your continued support.