

Sheffield School

*Learning in Partnership
Reaching Our P.E.A.K*



Welcome to 2016!

Welcome back to Sheffield School. I am sure that 2016 will prove to be another busy, exciting year for the students, staff and community of Sheffield School.

We would like to welcome Thayer (R1), Tyler (R1), Ellie (R1), Ryan (R1), Kristian (R1), Jesse-May (R2), Samantha (R3), Alice (R4), and

School Safety Vests

All classrooms have a set of bus vests for all children in their class. These will be given out daily as we will be using them to take the children to and from swimming. All bus children must wear a bus vest when travelling to and from school. The children will collect these as they leave their

Jordyn (R4) who have all started this week. We are all very excited to have you join our learning team at Sheffield School.

We begin the school year with 90 pupils and the class structure is as follows;

Room 1: Yr 1-2 Mrs Kay Kala and Mrs Marguerite Clubb

Room 2: Yr 2-3 Miss Georgie Hill

Room 3: Yr 4-5 Mrs Karyn Scollay (Mon - Weds) & Mrs Val Edwards (Thurs - Fri)

Room 4: Yr 5-6 Miss Millie Grenfell

Sandy Thomas, Dallas Molloy, and Rachel Benny are all back on board supporting the classroom programmes as Teacher Aides this year. We are very fortunate to have Karen Watson running the office and Pam Gibbs' cleaning services.

Contact Details

If you have moved house, or changed any of your contact details please let Karen know. It is important that we are able to contact you in case of an emergency.

School Bus

We are thrilled to have secured Jodie and Tara's services as our bus drivers again. Please contact Karen, if your child/ren will not be going on the bus on any particular day. It is vitally important that the staff member on bus duty has the correct

classroom each afternoon and return them when they arrive in the mornings.

Swimming

This year our swimming programme will be super-charged with the professional coaching of tutors from the Selwyn Aquatic Centre. These tutors will be working with all Sheffield children every Wednesday and Friday during Week's 1-5. All teachers, teacher aides and I have assessed the children and grouped them into swimming groups based on their abilities and needs. Children will swim daily over the coming weeks (weather dependant). The 'Sheffield & Springfield Schools' Swimming Sports' will take place on Tuesday 8 March (pp. Thursday 10 March). This swimming sports is for all children. We are in the process of creating a modified swimming sports based on our growing rolls and children's swimming skill sets. All children will have the opportunity to compete in a variety of swimming and water activities that showcase their abilities. More information on our swimming sports will be out in the coming weeks.

Please ensure that your children have their togs, towels, goggles etc at school every day.

PEAK Trip

information regarding student travel arrangements. It is also part of school procedures that you contact the bus drivers whenever there is a change to usual transport arrangements. This makes life a lot easier for the drivers.

Contact numbers for Jodie are 318 3848 or 021 147 4082, Tara 318 4850 or 021 131 9186. They are happy for you to text them when your child is not going to be on the bus.

Given our current school roll, we have had to modify the bus system. The new bus system has been carefully considered and designed to ensure all children and their families have a fair and equitable service. Details of this new service will come out tomorrow.

Assemblies

This year all classrooms will have an opportunity to run an assembly every term. Assemblies will take place every fortnight on Fridays. All families and whanau are welcome to come and join us at these assemblies and celebrate the wonderful learning at Sheffield School. To find out the exact dates of assemblies then please visit the calendar in our school's website.

Meet the teacher evening

We will have a 'Meet the Teacher Evening' on Wednesday 24 February. This evening will start with

A notice went out earlier this week for our 2016 PEAK Trip. This is set for Wednesday of Week 3 (17 February). Please make sure permission slips are into the office so Karen can organise transport.

Coast to Coast

Thank you to all members of the Sheffield School community that have and are about to 'roll their sleeves up' and do their bit for this event. This is certainly a massive task that requires an incredibly well functioning team. Your organisational and collaborative skills matched with the team's work ethic are impressive to say the least. Not only are you all raising money for the school that will greatly benefit the children's learning, but you also set an incredibly positive precedent for the children to follow. Go well team.

SchoolDocs

This is a very timely opportunity to highlight the need for all families to familiarise themselves with our 'SchoolDocs' site. This site highlights all of Sheffield School's Policies and Procedures. Visit School Docs [here](#).

Login: sheffield

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Malvern Schools' Triathlon

The inaugural Malvern Schools' Triathlon will take place next

a community picnic and then be followed by presentations from all staff in their classrooms. Parents will be able to go to all of their children's teachers and hear about the 2016 classroom structures. This is also an important opportunity for parents to clarify any queries they may have about their child's learning. More information will come out in the coming newsletters.

Term Dates Calendar

Please check out the school's calendar on our Ultranet site for all of Term 1's key dates.

These can be accessed on the [Sheffield School](#).

Thursday. The organisers of this event have decided that this event is a 'tri' and not 'try'. Essentially this is a competitive event for Year 5-6 students and not suitable for beginners. We will run a Sheffield School triathlon later on this year so that our children can choose to have a go and develop their triathlon skills. I will personally be in touch with the families of the children that are keen to compete next week.

Have a fantastic long weekend with family and friends and I look forward to working alongside each of you to ensure our children are 'Learning in Partnership, Reaching Their P.E.A.K.'.

Term 1 Diary

6 Feb Waitangi Day
12 Feb Malvern Triathlon
12 Feb Coast to Coast
17 Feb PEAK Trip to Quail Island
18 Feb PAL Workshop
18 Feb BOT Meeting
19 Feb Singing
24 Feb Meet the teachers
25 Feb Top Team Yr 5-6 only
25 Feb Assembly Rm 3
4 Mar Singing Rm 2
7 Mar Sheff/Spring Swim Sports
11 Mar Assembly Rm 2
18 Mar Singing Rm 2
21 Mar Malvern Swimming Sports
25 Mar Good Friday

Springfield Sheffield Netball Club

As we are coming into the new season for netball the Springfield Sheffield Netball Club are looking for coaches, managers, umpires and players of all levels to come and join our club. We are a strong club with teams across all grades. Any up and coming/young Coaches will have support from senior members.

AGM

Wed 17th Feb, 7.30pm held at the St Ambrose Church Hall, Sheffield.

Registration Day

Thursday 25th February at Sheffield School Future Ferns and Primary

28 Mar Easter Monday

29 Mar Camp

1 Apr Campers return

4 Apr Visiting performer

7 Apr BOT Meeting

8 Apr Assembly Rm 1

12 Apr Life Education with Harold

14 Apr Life Education with Harold

15 Apr Last Day of Term 1

from 4pm. All other players from 6pm and followed by a fun run around from 6.30pm. If you are unable to attend but are interested in either playing, coaching etc please contact our Secretary:

Rachael Taiaroa-Benny

Tel: 03 318 3061 or

Mob: 027 613 4716

Is your child interested in gymnastics?

Little Springers Gym is a movement and gymnastics programme which runs on Wednesday afternoons during term time in the Springfield Community Hall. We still have spaces available this term for children aged 5-8 years.

3.30-4.15pm

\$45 per term.

For more information please contact Pam Aldersley (ph 318 4114) or email littlespringersgym@gmail.com

PTA Diary

12th Feb - Coast to Coast

15th Feb - PTA Meeting

26-27 - Collie Club Catering

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