

05 March 2019 - Week 5 Term 1

From the Principal...

Kiaora, Talofa Lava, Molo e lelei, Kia orana, Niihau, Namaste, Guten tag, Sawatdii,

In recent weeks I have been speaking to our students about setting themselves some goals (personal and learning goals) At yesterday's assembly I spoke to students about how they might achieve their goals. I spoke about giving time to their goals and making sure that they are not distracted when practising their goals. But the most important message was that they commit 15-20 hours to achieve their goals. I was assisted by Wilson Feng who demonstrated by solving a Rubik's Cube in 15 seconds. This involved a lot of the skills we talked about. These are skills that are transferable throughout life. I am looking forward to seeing and talking to the students about how they are going with their goals in the coming weeks.

We have had an amazingly long period of warm weather, although we are heading into Autumn, as a Sun Smart School, we still require students to wear hats during Term 1. Hats can be purchased from the school office.

There has been talk in the media recently regarding the online game "MOMO Challenge", if you have any concerns please see advice on page 3 or click on this [link](#) from Netsafe.

The Education Review Office (ERO) have notified us that they will be visiting the school in week 10 of this term to carry out their review. We welcome ERO and look forward to showcasing our school and further improving our practices.



Ngā mihi nui, Raj Dullabh, Principal

Celebrating Excellence

Board of Trustees News

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!

**STUDENT OF THE MONTH
Timata and Whanake
March 2019**

Rm R	Malachi F.
Rm 2	Nikhil G.
Rm 3	Athina C-L.
Rm 4	Charli R.
Rm 5	Gardenia C-L.
Rm 6	Ahmed K.
Rm 7	Kayzlee W.
Rm 8	Amber F.
Rm 13	Alysa L.
Rm 14	Madeline C.
Rm 15	Nimisha P.
Rm 16	Lucas M.

Hi from the Board of Trustees,

It was a real pleasure to attend the recent Powhiri to welcome new staff, students and whanau to our School for 2019. We hope everyone embraces our School community, and take on board the message – 'it takes a community to raise a child'. The School your child attends is very much at the heart of that saying. Get involved as much as you can!

The BOT also appreciated the opportunity to meet people at the Family Fun evening. If you are considering joining the Board, please drop us a note at BOT@conifergrove.school.nz. You're welcome to attend meetings as an observer to see if it's a good fit for you. Elections will be held middle of this year so we will be calling for nominations soon.

This term we are reviewing some more Policies. The one we'd appreciate community feedback on this term is Alcohol, Drugs & Other Harmful Substances. Click on the [SchoolDocs](#) website >Search up Conifer Grove School. Username = ConiferGrove, and password = Conifer. Click on the Current Review tab. The most relevant part to think about is the School hosting private or fundraising functions in the Hall. We'd love to get your feedback – even if it's simply that you like the policy as it is.

Olaf van Daalen, BoT Chair

CAN YOU HELP US ???

PLASTIC BOTTLE TOPS. Please remember to bring all your plastic lids big, small, unusual, tiny. We are nearly ready to start our next Mural.

TOOLS. Room 20 need various sized flat screwdrivers to open up devices, any donations of small tools would be appreciated. No hammers. THANK YOU

Reminders

06 Mar NC Swimming Year 5/6
12 Mar BOT Meeting
12 Mar Summer Sports Day Year 5/6-Bruce Pulman Park
15 Mar PTA Kiwi Summer Disco 6-8pm
20 Mar New Entrant Visit 2-3pm
26 Mar BOT Meeting 6pm
27 Mar New Entrant Visit 2-3pm
12 Apr Term 1 finishes
29 Apr Term 2 begins
18 May Quiz Night **SAVE THE DATE**

2019 Year 7 & 8 Technology Fees are due

Technology Fees (Year 7&8 \$20 per term) are due

Payment can be made on a termly basis \$20 or \$80 full year.

This is to cover take home materials in Food Tech, Digital Tech and Fabric & Design Tech. The take home components will be: food, 3D printing, laser cutting and sewn items.

Internet Payments are welcome - EFTPOS/cash/cheque accepted at the office

Please use child's surname and room number as reference

CGS BOT No 1 Acct Number: 12-3032-0771030-00

(Receipts will be issued on request only)

Thank you

Uniform Shop Sale

30% off remaining stock

Below is a list of the final items we have in stock:

Green Polo Shirts: adult S, M, L

Boys grey shorts: 4,12,14, adult S, M, L

Girls culottes: 4, 6,12,14,16,18

Polar fleece jumpers: 4, adult S

Sport Red Tees: 6, adult S, M, L

Sport black shorts: adult S,M,L

Grey boys socks: small 7-10, lge 6-10

Black girls socks: small 7-10,11-1, lge 9+

Uniform Shop Place an order at the school Office.

Sale relates to the above items only purchased from our school Uniform Shop

Hats not included in sale.

Green Caps (for Year 7&8) are now available in the office for sale \$12

Red Bucket Hats are available from the school office for \$15

All other Uniform Sizes are available from the Warehouse, Takanini

Community Notices

KARATE every Tuesday 6-8.30pm Conifer Grove School Hall See flyer attached for more details Ph 0278385288

FREE EVENT FOR KIDS IN CONIFER GROVE

Park Fun Day - Brylee Drive Reserve

Wednesday 13th March.3pm-5pm

Join the Out and About team for an afternoon of FREE fun in the park!

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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Every Monday from 11am until 1pm a friendly Justice of the Peace ("JP") will be at the Takanini Family Service Centre ready and happy to sign and swear documents (at no cost) for you. They can; witness your signature on a document, certify copies for you, swear/affirm an affidavit for you and complete a declaration with you. For more information; follow the Takanini Family Service Centre on Facebook, 974 4719 or 021 882 970, info@familyservicecentres.org.nz or pop in at 8 Oakleigh Avenue, Takanini



PTA Event

Kiwi
Summer
Disco

Friday 15th
March
6pm to 8pm

CONIFER GROVE SCHOOL HALL ENTRY \$3
SNACKS AND GLOW ITEMS FOR SALE
CONIFER GROVE STUDENTS ONLY
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NO LATER THAN 8PM

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Remember we want all your packaging and empty and used toothbrushes and toothpastes containers. DON'T put them in LAND FILL.

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MOMO CHALLENGE ADVISORY

FEBRUARY 2019

— 28TH FEBRUARY 2019

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Netsafe has received reports relating to young people who have been exposed to a harmful online “game” known as the Momo Challenge. Although we have not received any reports of young people in New Zealand taking part in the “challenge”, we are aware that some young people have seen content relating to Momo and have been very upset by the content and imagery. There has also been talk about whether this “challenge” is real or a hoax. Regardless of whether the actual challenge itself exists, individuals who come across Momo related content may experience emotional distress at seeing it – particularly younger children.

Netsafe encourages anyone that comes across content relating to the Momo Challenge or other similar ‘challenge’ content to immediately report it to the social media site or website that it’s on. In New Zealand, it is against the law to incite another person to take their own life. If somebody is targeting a young person to play this “game”, or attempting to incite suicide, you should contact the Police and Netsafe for help, and a mental health service for support. Netsafe can also provide advice for any parents who are concerned about this challenge. If young people are expressing feelings about self-harm or suicide then this should be followed up with appropriate mental health support.

Netsafe’s advice for parents about exposure to upsetting content:

- Have a conversation with young people about what to do if they do come across upsetting content online
- Let your child know that they can come to you when they find something upsetting and they won’t get in trouble
- Stay calm if they do come to you – don’t assign blame, reassure them that it’s not their fault and don’t punish them for seeking help
- Normalise their feelings – let them know that it is normal to feel scared, confused or upset
- Don’t over-react by taking away the technology – this may make them less likely to talk to you if something else happens
- For young children in particular, consider using parental controls to block out specific keywords like “Momo”
- If you or your child comes across this type of content report it to the platform that it’s on
- If your child is expressing any concerning feelings, follow up with mental health support
- If you know that a young person has been engaging in this challenge, report it to the Police and Netsafe, and contact a mental health service for support.

For more advice about children viewing upsetting content online, visit our [Upsetting Content page](#).

CONTACT NETSAFE

Need help or advice? Contact us.

- Text ‘Netsafe’ to 4282
- Email help@netsafe.org.nz
- Call us toll free on 0508 NETSAFE (0508 638 723)
- Online report form at netsafe.org.nz/report

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