



## Oxford Crescent School

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	2018 is quickly flying by and Christmas is just around the corner. Staff and students are busy preparing for all our end of year events. We have had more new faces join the Oxford team. Azariah, Millicent, Leah, Nathan Room 5 and Aria Room 6. A big Oxford Crescent School welcome to you all.
School Organisation 2019	<p>We have made our final appointment this week and welcome Davida Marshall to the Oxford team. Fingers crossed we are ready to go for 2019.</p> <p><b>Senior Syndicate</b> <b>Assistant Principal Vanessa Murphy</b> R11 Vanessa Murphy <b>Y5/6</b> R12 Sheridan Yardley <b>Y5/6</b> R13 Davida Marshall <b>Y5/6 Team Leader</b></p> <p>R14 Ariana Kooge <b>Y5/4</b> R15 Alyse Campbell <b>Y4 Team Leader</b> R3 Dave Greville <b>Y4/3</b></p> <p><b>Junior Syndicate</b> <b>Deputy Principal Marilyn McKenzie SENCO</b> R10 Stephanie Bootten-Baines <b>Y3/2</b> R9 Courtney Binns <b>Y3/2 Team Leader</b> R2 Sam Ward <b>Y2</b> R1 Alannah Groves <b>Y2</b></p> <p>R7 Yvonne Gray <b>Y1 Team Leader</b> R6 Karly Logan <b>Y1/NE</b> R8 Catherine Butler <b>NE</b></p>
Car & Booster Seats	We have had the police out patrolling our parking bay over the last couple of days and they have noticed some parents not restraining their children in car seats and booster seats. A reminder to all parents that all children must be in a car/booster seat until they are <b>over 148 cms</b> in height. Although it is not a legal requirement they encourage students to also wear helmets while scootering to and from school. Keep our students safe!
Maidstone Intermediate 2019	All Year 6 Students attending Maidstone Intermediate in 2019. Here is the next important date to mark on your calendar, <b>Thursday 13 December 2018</b> . This is an open afternoon from 3.00 pm - 7.00 pm. This is an opportunity for you and your child to view the classroom they will be in next year and find out who will be in their class. Your child will receive an Information Pack. This will include an Induction Booklet, Uniform List, Basic School-wide Stationery list etc.
Regional Athletics	Congratulations to the following Oxford Crescent students who are off to the Regional Athletics in Otaki next Tuesday. Elliot Barr, Kaylah Sutton, Datchē Seaga-Tapara, Keisha Pegg, Jordan Russell, Layton Prince, Bella Coxson, JC Ropiha and Rita McArthur. Give it your best shot. I know you will do us proud!
Congratulations	A big congratulations to Shannon Duffy, Ariana Kooge, Sam Ward and Ellen Johnson for gaining their full teaching certification. They have successfully completed a two-year programme of induction and mentoring. Teaching is a tough yet challenging career choice and I believe you all have what it takes to be fantastic teachers. A big thank you to your tutor teachers and I wish you all the best for your future teaching careers.
Senior School Trips	Our senior students had trips last week to Expressions to visit the "Permian Monsters: Life before Dinosaurs" exhibition and Orongomai Marae. The students had a great time at both venues even travelling on a double-decker bus! A big thank you to all the parents who came along to help. We appreciate you giving up your time.



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2019 New Entrant Visits

If the school seems to be filled with little people over the next couple of weeks that is because we have all our 2019 New Entrant students visiting on Tuesday and Thursday for the next two weeks. We hope you enjoy your visits and get familiar with our school ready for a great start in 2019. Welcome!

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Patrol Training 2019

Our 2019 school patrollers have been out braving the weather doing their patrol training with Kerry Fenton our community Police Officer over the last couple of weeks. With the varying weather, they have experienced working in all weather conditions. They are all ready to take on their duties for 2019.



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Family Star Time

Just a reminder we would love to see you all at school for our Family Star Time on **Tuesday 11 December at 5.30pm**. Come on down with a picnic dinner and eat under the trees, then join in with some fun activities and games and finish off with some singing and Christmas carols. We would love to see you all there! Fingers crossed for some nice weather.

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Reports Home

Our students have been working hard all year and we want to share with you their progress. Final end of year school reports will be coming home on **Wednesday 12 December**. Be sure to check their bags and discuss these reports with them. Feel free to contact their classroom teacher if you would like to discuss these reports further.

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Our Year 6 senior students will be leaving us at the end of the year and heading off on the next step in their learning journey. We will be celebrating their time at Oxford Crescent School with a Year 6 Graduation Evening, which will be held in the School Hall on **Tuesday 18 December**. Families are invited to attend the formal presentation of leaving certificates at 7.45pm. The presentation should take about 30 minutes.



McCarthy Trust

We would like to acknowledge the support and donation from the Thomas George McCarthy Trust. They have donated money to the school to purchase books or resources for our school library. This money will be well used. Many thanks.

Pizza Wheels

Some of our students have been doing the Hell Pizza Reading Challenge. Children receive a stamp on their pizza wheel for each book they read, and once seven books have been read they can redeem their pizza wheel for a free 333 kids' pizza at HELL. Now in its fifth year, this reading challenge has been hugely successful in getting kids reading and enjoying the pleasures of stories — with the bonus of free pizza rewards.

Bee Healthy Dental Van

You may have seen the Bee Healthy Dental Van parked up on the front quad at school. Bee Healthy are in providing free dental check-ups for our students.

End of Term

Just a reminder to our parent community that school finishes at **1 pm on Wednesday 19 December**. **Term 1 starts at 8.55am on Monday 4 February**.

Have a great end to the week. Nathan and the Oxford team.

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