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**“Give them wings so they may fly”**

## **Crawshaw School Newsletter**

### **Term Four, Week Nine**

### **13 December, 2018**

***Kia Ora Whanau,***

*All parents and whanau are warmly invited to the 2018 Awards Assembly next Tuesday 18th December at 11.40am. This is a chance to farewell out Year 8s who are off to High School and to celebrate the achievements of our students. We would love you to attend.*

*School finishes at 1.00pm on Thursday, 20th December. We finish the day with an Assembly starting at 12.00pm where we give out the attendance, PB4I and KiwiCan Awards. We would love you to join us for this assembly too.*

*Today there was a special PB4L treat; popcorn, ice-cream, a movie and a BBQ sausage; for those students who have followed our school rules and values throughout the term. It was fantastic that so many students qualified for this by not being involved in either a Major behaviour incident or multiple minor behaviour incidents this term. Well done to you all. We hope to have a regular treat each term. I wonder what will it be next time?*

*Three of our students were lucky to be selected to receive a brand new bicycle donated by Josh Kersten. Josh has always had a real love of riding his bike as a child - the escapism, freedom, exhilaration, challenge and sense of achievement along with the pure fun of being out on his bike and having something he could cherish and make his pride possession, riding with friends or on his own. This distilled a lifelong passion of biking for Josh and he is now in a position where he can give back to the Waikato region and donate some new bikes to children, with a plan to make **Giveabike** an annual event. The three lucky students were: Raaki Gray, R13; Jemimah Anablon, R10 and Lesley Azangwa, R9.*



*You may have heard that primary teachers and principals have overwhelmingly voted to reject the Ministry of Education's latest collective agreement offers.*

*While the latest offer for teachers included a salary increase, it failed to address the important issues of class size and planning and assessment time, which underpin the crisis in education and difficulties in teacher recruitment.*

*Disappointingly, we end this year without the necessary movement from the Government, and with still not enough to meet the needs of children, schools and teachers.*

*This may mean further industrial action next year, although we are very much hoping for a negotiated outcome – the Government has received a very clear message that educators are desperate for the teacher shortage to be fixed before it becomes a full-blown disaster.*

*Public polling has also showed continued strong support for what we are trying to achieve for our students and the future of the teaching profession. School parents in particular see the struggles we already face in hiring teachers and finding relievers when teachers are sick.*

*We greatly appreciate your continued support as we continue our campaign to ensure a quality public education for every child.*

*Nga mihi*  
Jill Littlewood

# Sports

## Softball Final

Saturday 15/12/2018  
Resthills Park, Hillcrest  
Time : 10.30 Diamond: 2  
Crawshaw Thunder vs Aberdeen Dodges  
Playing for First or Second Place

## Dates for your Calendar

See [www.crawshaw.school.nz](http://www.crawshaw.school.nz) for more details.

Dec 14, Mid/Sen School Waterworld Trip  
Dec 18, 11.40am Award Assembly  
Dec 20, Last Day of school. 12.00pm Final  
Assembly 1.00pm school finishes.  
Feb 7, 2019. 9.00am Crawshaw School starts  
for the year. 9.30: Mihi Whakatau

## Community Notices

### Everyday Heroes Event

Wednesday 19 December

On Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of December Waikato Police holding an event at The Base, Hamilton called 'Everyday Heroes' where we collate a large number of agencies and services involved in keeping our communities safe, and bring them together for an interactive day for our youth and their families.

We have the Police Eagle helicopter landing at 10am and Westpac Helicopter landing at 2pm and they will be open to viewing to the public.

As part of the event they are also running a 'Dunk Tank' to fundraise for KidsCan. The community will get an opportunity to dunk a cop/fireman/ambo/famous person for a gold coin donation.

Come dressed up as your favourite everyday hero and you could win a spot prize of one of 80 Police teddy or Police dog soft toys.

Each agency will have an interactive display where kids and their families can get their hands on to learn safe summer tips; keep safe on our roads, in our communities and in our homes.

There will be loads of give-away's and things to do for all ages.

More info on the event can be found here.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1701257933318583/>

### BOOK NOW FOR NATURE PROGRAMME

The next 100% nature based holiday programme starts next week, but there are still plenty of spaces available. Conscious Kids are looking for more school-aged nature adventurers to join their holiday programme this summer. On this programme, children relax in a natural setting, learn to take their own risks and manage their own behaviour. Within a few safety-based rules, children are given the freedom to decide what they want to do and when. If they're feeling energetic, they can climb the super cool (sometimes muddy) steep bank, climb trees and play soccer. If they're tired they can build a hammock under the trees, whittle sticks, and create nature art. By making their own decisions they learn to notice what their body needs and manage themselves - don't all parents want kids who can manage themselves? Evidence shows that a full day outside enhances both physical and mental wellbeing of children.

Details: Programmes will run 17, 18, 20 & 21 December and 14-25 January, 9am-3pm with more hours available by negotiation. MSD approved, so families can apply to WINZ for subsidies to attend. Fees: \$60/day or \$270/week per child.

### Calling all kids!

If you're a kid 13 or under and you love to sing... be in to win a fantastic prize, of the ultimate smart bedroom bundle, with an amazon echo dot smart speaker and Alexa-enabled smart coloured light bulbs...

This Christmas morning on Newstalk ZB, it's "**The Voice of Christmas**" singing competition... on the 'Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show'.

Auditions are open NOW by telephone... and will only be open for the next few days.

To enter, simply call **0800 THE VOICE** and sing a **Christmas Carol** as your audition.

That's **0800 843 864**.

Then tune in on Christmas morning to Newstalk ZB (or Radio Sport) from 6am-9am, to see if you've won

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