

## **LEARNING** COMMUNITIES

Newsletter

Term 1, 2018

Term 1 review and what we've been up to here at Hagley's Learning Communities.

#### Welcome to our Term 1 Newsletter!

Kia ora e te whanau

Term 1 has been an exciting term with a happy buzz from familiar and new teachers, students and programmes. Welcome to all! As well as ELL (English Language Learning) during the day, the Homework Centre, Pre-School and Adult-learning programmes such as driving, sewing and well-being, have continued to flourish.

It was a wonderful opportunity to share International Day with over 60 nationalities. In classroom environments that truly demonstrate the value of AKO; children, teenagers, parents and grandparents all came together for learning journeys, where the tuakana-teina (teacher/learner – adult/child) role could be reversed. Tangata

whenua, early settler, migrant and refugee communities all delved in artistic creations: song, dance and taste sensations. Come afternoon, the new gym was transformed into a hub of energy and talent, with solo artists and cultural groups performing. Huge thanks to ELL, the Diversity team and student communities for sharing their ideas, passion and skills. The day was an incredible success. A totally valuable event, each aspect of this celebration links to developing intercultural skills, crucial for living in a globalised world.

We look forward to Term 2 and helping all experience success in their own learning and education.

Nga mihi nui koutou

Sarah Denny - Director Learning Communities

#### Driving Theory Class

The Learners Driving Theory Class is on again this term after a successful year in 2017.

There are currently 20 young adults and older adult students from the English Language Learning programmes that are learning the

road code. Classes are from 3-5 pm at Hagley College. There two classes organised this term to support adults from refugee and migrant background. The programme is sponsored by TEC. If you want to learn about the road rules, improve your computer skills and prepare for the learners or restricted driver test, then come along to class.

## Preschool at Hagley

Hagley preschool has been on site at the College for over 40 years. It is open 8am - 4pm for children aged 4months to 5 years. We care the children while their parents are studying at Hagley College.

Our teachers are well trained to teach in the enjoyable preschool learning environment.

At preschool children learn while being creative, taking risks, listening & talking, enjoying friendships, running and climbing, listening to stories, dancing and singing, getting messy, washing hands and having lunch together. Learning is supported in everything that children are involved in. Parents and the families can check wonderful stories and learning activities of their children on www. storypark.com.

Preschool Tip: to support your child to learn how to feed themselves, offer them a spoon to use at the same time that you are feeding them. Make it into a fun turn taking opportunity: 1 spoon from me and 1 from you.

To register your child, please contact the preschool, ph. 03 364 5158 to speak to Jocelyn or Megan

## Yoga for Wellbeing

Practice Yoga for a healthier and happier life WHAT?

WHO? For everybody (both men and women)

WHEN? Every Wed. mornings, from 8.45 am to 9.45 am

Dance room (Room P1) WHERE?

**HOW MUCH? FREE OF CHARGE** 





Jump Jam is a programme initiated by students to encourage all to live a healthy lifestyle by keeping active at the Hagley College. It is a healthy movement session lasting for 30 mins at the morning tea break, from 11 am -11.30 am on Mondays.

Led by 2 girls Amy and MacKenzie from mainstream class, as volunteer instructors, all the students of the class enjoy the healthy movement every Mondays. Come along and join us at Classroom E7.

**GET UP! GET OUT! GET MOVING!** 

WHEN? Morning Interval: 11 am - 11.30 am every Monday

E block (Classroom E7) WHERE?

**HOW MUCH?** 

# MULTI-ETHNIC HOMEWORK AND STUDY SUPPORT CENTRE

The Multi-ethnic Homework and Study Support Centre (Homework Centre –for short) resumed on 20 February 2018. There were 54 students from 22 schools in Christchurch. There are 28 students from Year 1 to Year 8 in the Primary Room, and 26 students in the Secondary rooms. The majority of them originally came from Afghanistan, Somalia, and Bhutan. They all enjoy studying at the Homework

Centre, where they can catch up with their English language and academic performance. The teachers in the Primary Room help them develop their study habits, individual academic goals with social and learning skills. While the students are studying at the Homework Centre, their parents learn in classes like sewing, cooking, ESOL computer and English catch-up/Homework for parents.

If you want to improve your study, learn some English, or if you just want to sort out your homework, do come along to join us. We are in J Block, Hagley College, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 4.30 pm till 7.30 pm.



### Citizens Advice Bureau at Hagley

This term our students and staff continue to get the support from the Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) right at school through the satellite model of CAB. It was piloted last year at Hagley and proves to be a useful model of reaching out to wider community. ELL students can get supported in language translation from our bilingual liaison workers and tutors while communicating with CAB. This makes the service of CAB more accessible for both service providers and the users.

If you are unsure about anything, come along to CAB drop-in service on the following dates:

6 July 2018 (Term 2)

6 September 2018 (Term 3)

6 November 2018 (Term 4)

Time: 12:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Venue: ESOL Office (Room E1)

#### INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR PEACE

This Term we celebrated The International Day – a biennial cultural day hosted at Hagley since 2010 to showcase a day of intercultural learning and celebration of cultures across 65 ethnicities represented at the College.

The event promotes a sense of belonging. It brings together differences and defines people's sense of place to stand tall and be included. 20 cultural and ethnic groups held their cultural rooms that engaged visitors in the groups' history, heritage, food, traditions and language through displays, personal interactions, quizzes, cultural immersion language, music and food tasting. We all enjoyed yummy food from Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia, Korea, Vietnam, Bhutan, Nepal, China, Samoa and Afghanistan, Taiwan, Germany, Philippines, etc.

We all had wonderful days and enjoyed diverse cultural activities, especially signing and dancing performance presented by our ELL students. We thank so much for the Department of Internal Affairs and Christchurch City Council for their generous funding and support.

Please following the links below to watch a video and listen to a radio programme about the day:

https://www.star.kiwi/2018/04/watch-christchurch-high-school-celebrates-diversity/

https://www.plainsfm.org.nz/Programmes/Programme-Details.aspx?PID=1cd7cbd6-c03c-4d4e-8c75-64c7d9381323

