



CLYDE QUAY SCHOOL
Te Kura O Matairangi



8 September 2021

Tēnā tātou katoa e te whānau

Dobar dahn, Nabad, Hola, Ciao, Ni hao, Namaste, Valttukkal, Abhinandan, Subhakansalu, Grīṭigaza, Talofa, Bonjour, Χαίρετίσματα, Grüß Gott, Zdravím, Приветствия, Sawasdee, Konnichiwa, Pozdrowenia, Selamlar, Guten Tag, Salaam, Salama Aleikum, Leikum Zdras-Tvuy-Te, Ahn-Young-Ha-Se-Yo, Marhaba, Nay Hoh, Ayubowan, Xin Chào, Kia Orana

Appreciation

Staff wants to take this opportunity to thank you, our school whānau, for all the work you've put in to making online learning and *Bubble School* a positive experience for our tamariki. The adage, "It takes a village to educate a child," is so true.

We are looking forward to seeing all our children back tomorrow, if fit and well. Like you the aim is to keep them free of the *Delta Variant*.

Moving Forward

Alert Level 2 Schooling: Please re-read *Covid19 Alert Level 2* 7.9.2021

Imperatives:

1. When delivering and collecting children **you must maintain a 2 metre distance.**
 - Do not gather in groups and use it as a catch up time with friends.
 - Robert has painted 'circles' to assist you.

Please do not be offended if you're asked to maintain social distancing.

2. If children are sick they must remain at home.
3. Adhere to the times you're expected to deliver and collect your child.
 - It minimises congestion.
4. If your child wears a mask:
 - It is a good idea to talk to them about wearing it correctly and
 - Impress upon them to take care of it; naming the mask may help.
5. Senior students (Y5-8) arriving on their own must follow the rules.





Science Achievements at Clyde Quay School

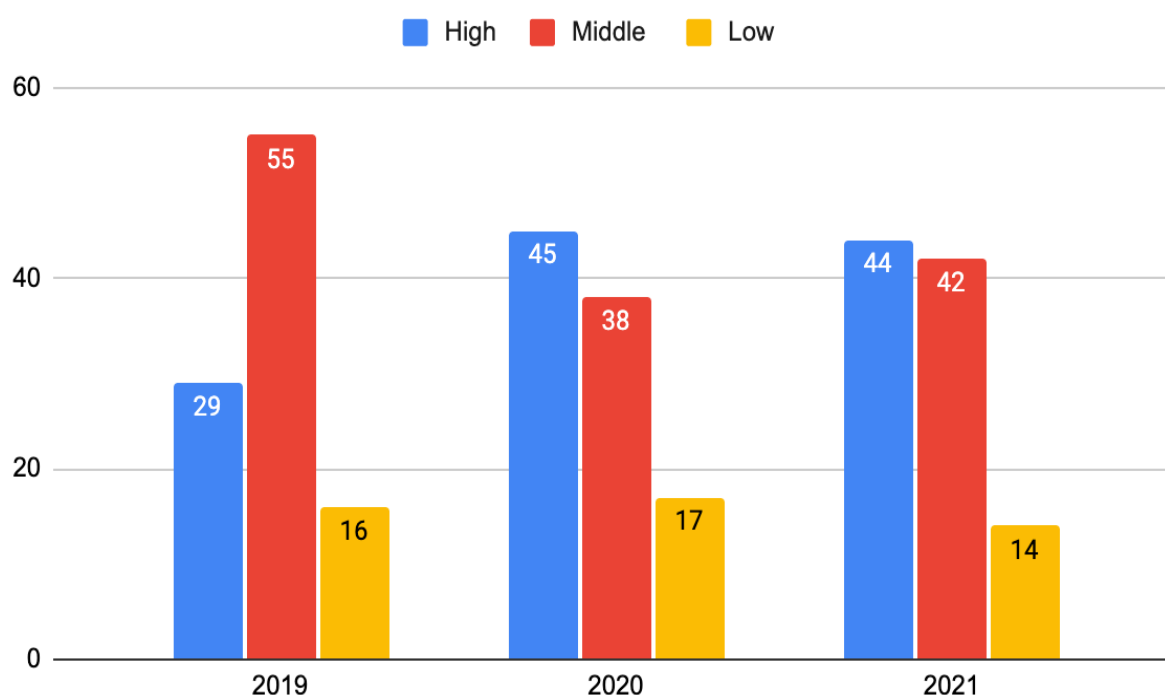
Each year, we conduct a range of tests through the New Zealand Council for Educational Research (NZCER). These are most commonly in the form of Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT) and conducted in Reading Comprehension and Maths. However as part of our strategic to focus more on science, we introduced a test in Science called “Science: Thinking with Evidence” in 2018.

This test helps teachers gather evidence of learning in science and comes in two versions, a junior (Year 4-6) and senior (Year 7-10) version. Students are given a range of questions including multiple choice, “drag and drop” and short text answers which test their understanding of a range of science concepts related to the Science Curriculum.

Over the last couple of years, we were provided extensive professional development in the area of science for our staff and the “Thinking with Evidence” test was introduced as a tool to monitor how we are doing. The test provides a comparison to a National Reference Group that sat the test and scores of “low”, “middle” or “high” are attributed based on reference to this group. There is also a “scale score” which allows for comparison between years. Our detailed report uses both of these data sets to show current results and comparisons over the years. You can find the full report tabled here [NZCER Science Thinking with Evidence Y4-8](#)

We are very pleased with the way the results have been trending over time, for our year 4 to 8 students. When you look at the relative percentage distribution of “low”, “middle” or “high” results over the last couple of years, **the trend is clearly moving in the right direction:**

Comparison of percentages between 2019, 2020 & 2021



According to these results, **over 85% of our Year 4-8 students are working at a “Middle” or “High” classification.** We have reduced our “Low” classification by 3% which equates to 4 students; and we have moved a number of “Middle” students into the “High” performing classification.

On behalf of our community, the Board would like to express our gratitude to teachers and staff, for their help in making such tangible progress. These results stem from hard mahitahi in the classroom, investments in professional development and extra focus on curriculum and resources and we thank you for your efforts!

If you would like to know more about our other educational achievements, then please also refer to our update on Inquiry Learning, posted here [Inquiry Learning Report](#).

This report will hopefully help demystify what Inquiry Learning is all about, and it also demonstrates how we have been weaving the science-based curriculum into our inquiries. The photos of our tamariki at work and at play speak for themselves, so we encourage you to take a closer look.

We hope to continue our learning and development under more “normal” circumstances as we return back to school with the pending lock-down changes and easing of restrictions. Nonetheless, please stay safe and be kind.

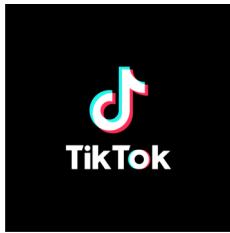
Nga mihi hui
Thorsten Engel on behalf of CQS Board

Liz Patara, Tumuaki

App of the Week: Tik Tok

Wednesday 8 September

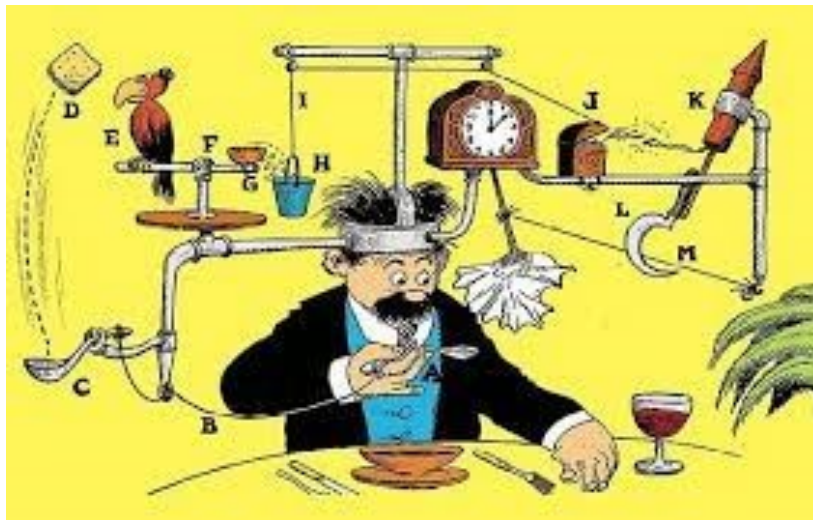
<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/tiktok/>



Tik Tok is an app that allows users to create, share and view videos. Most videos are roughly 20 seconds long and can use a range of filters, music or graphics through the app. When opening, users start on a "For You Page" (FYP) which shares a feed of videos that are designed to engage the user. Videos can be "liked" or commented on by others and if people's profiles aren't set to private, you can see all of their posts and videos they have "liked". You can gain followers and follow others. Tik Tok also has a direct message function where users can message each other directly and chat. Like many other social media accounts, Tik Tok requires users to be 13 or older to create an account.

If you have any further questions, we recommend having a discussion with your child or downloading the app yourself and getting to know it's features.

Ngaio Kids Rube Goldberg Machine efforts!



Seen is a Rube Goldberg machine, named after American cartoonist, sculptor, engineer, author, and inventor. Rube Goldberg, is a chain reaction-type machine or contraption intentionally designed to perform a simple task.

Click on the student's name below and see their contraptions in action:

[Chayaank](#)

[Connor](#)

[Nazar](#)

CQS Flybuys wish list

The new Flybuys catalogue is out and just a reminder if you have some points you would like to donate. Here's a link to the Google sheet for convenience:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1X4zPUAAowR1ajCnab7CA6XJR4D2Hmrn16Y73akGRLEw/edit>

Teachers and students would really benefit from having the items below. Please consider cashing in your Flybuys points to make a big difference to the school. And if you can, cross the item off the list on the Google Sheet. Together we can cross them all off!!

Flybuys items required

- a. Chess sets 160 points x 5 - <https://store.flybuys.co.nz/store/classic-games-wood-chess>
- b. Blunt classic umbrella x 2 - 650 points - <https://store.flybuys.co.nz/store/blunt-classic-2-dot-0>
- c. Victorinox Small Cutlery Block with 5 Knives 1155 points- <https://store.flybuys.co.nz/store/victorinox-small-cutlery-block-with-5-knives>
- d. Cell phone for school trips etc - 600 points <https://store.flybuys.co.nz/store/vodafone-smart-n11-black>
- e. Google chromecast x 10 - 435 points <https://store.flybuys.co.nz/store/google-chromecast-charcoal-grey>
- f. Toaster - 665 points - <https://store.flybuys.co.nz/store/russell-hobbs-brooklyn-4-slice-toaster>
- g. Toastie maker - 260 points - [Sunbeam Big Fill Toastie Maker 2 Up](#)

School Calendar

IMPORTANT DATES	WHATS HAPPENING
Term 3 26 July—1 October 2021	
1 October 2021	Last day of Term 3 3.00pm finish
Term 4 18 October—15 Dec 2021	
12 November 2021	Teacher only day
15 November 2021	Teacher only day

Artsplash 2021 cancelled

It is with great sadness that the decision has been made to cancel Artsplash Festival 2021. With the increased restrictions in level 2 and the uncertain duration of level 2 it is not possible to proceed with this event. Attempts were made to find another date this year, but this has not panned out but Artsplash 2022 is booked in for the week of 13-16 September next year.

If you have bought a ticket for the 2021 Artsplash event, please email the office about a refund.

Community Notice

Anna Lee learn to Sew

Have a creative child who would love to sew these school holidays? Wellington's newest boutique sewing classes are designed specifically for kids 8-13yrs. All sewing abilities are welcome.

All materials and machinery are included, simply turn up.

Learn from Anna, a 23-year-old qualified fashion designer and World of Wearable Arts finalist.

Location: Northland. To book go to www.annalee.co.nz



Yummy Fruit Stickers

Remember to still collect the cut-out labels from bags of Yummy apples or individual Yummy apple stickers, available from New World, Pak'n Save and participating Four Square stores. Every participating school gets FREE champs sports gear. Download a collection sheet from www.yummyfruit.co.nz

Please remember to support

New World Wellington City School Sponsorship

This is a **very easy way** for all Clyde Quay families to fundraise money for the school and all you have to do is shop at Wellington City New World.

Have your docket stamped at the time of purchase by a Checkout Supervisor and deposit your docket in the Clyde Quay School drop box provided in the main entrance of New World.
(Duplicate receipts can be requested, at time of purchase, if the original is required).

Every time you purchase products from New World Wellington City, they will pay the school 1.5% pa of the total \$ sales value.