

# sunshine in *Shirley*

May 2025

## School holiday and Easter activities



**Walking Festival Bear Hunt**



**Birdsong Trail Planting Day**



**Sparkling Stars Easter Party**



## Changes to SCT Programmes for Term Two

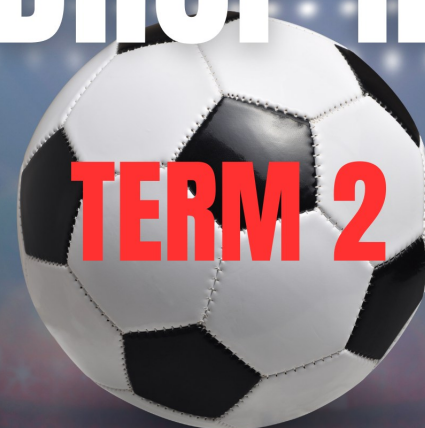
Touch Rugby has finished for the season and will resume in September when daylight savings starts.

Community Garden changed to afternoons - meets Thursdays 1-3 pm.

Friday Night Fun will no longer run. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for an updated Friday activity coming soon.

All other programmes remain the same - check out Facebook or [shirleycommunitytrust.org.nz](http://shirleycommunitytrust.org.nz) for more info.

## FOOTBALL DROP IN



FOR  
5+ YEARS

TUESDAYS 3-4PM



**AVON HUB TURF**  
77 NORTH PARADE, RICHMOND

Free classes  
Kai provided

## TE REO MĀORI & KAPA HAKA

A relaxed environment  
to learn together

Wednesdays (during term time)

**Te Reo 5-6pm**

**Kapa Haka 6-7pm**

MacFarlane Park Centre

**Come for one or stay for both**

For more info about Te Reo Māori  
contact Ann - 027 4700 442

For more info about Kapa Haka  
contact Bec - 021 125 7846



## Nourish Oraka Healthy Home Style Meals

Nourish Oraka is a community enterprise based here in Shirley. It started from scratch with loads of local support to supply school lunches under the government Ka Ora, Ka Ako programme, and provide parent-friendly employment and community connection.

Following the Government's changes in the provision model Nourish has re-launched with affordable, healthy individual meals. The team look forward to bringing yummy, nutritious kai to the community again and becoming a platform for further opportunities and community development.

For more information visit [www.nourishoraka.com](http://www.nourishoraka.com)



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**Thanks to all those who contribute to this newsletter – through articles or photos  
plus all those who deliver the copies each month.**





# Shirley Village Project

"Shirley residents and organisations working together for a 'caring, colourful, and connected' Shirley Community."



## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DROP IN

Mondays 1-2pm in Term 2 (5 May to 23 June)  
MacFarlane Park Centre (17A Acheson Ave)

- ✓ Support and information
- ✓ Kai & a cuppa
- ✓ Come with or without kids
- ✓ No judgement!



**YOU DON'T  
HAVE TO DO  
MONDAYS  
ALONE!**

**Community Mural**

We're working together to make a new mural for the Golf Links Rd mall entrance!

**Want to be involved?**  
Get in touch with Emma  
[emma@shirleyvillage.org](mailto:emma@shirleyvillage.org)

The Palms

### Shirley Firewood Club

A huge thanks to the 50 people who came and helped with the recent community working bee to deliver firewood around Shirley. We delivered 26 loads, totalling an impressive 74 cubic metres. Dry, ready to burn firewood available @ \$270 for 3 cubic metres. If you want firewood, contact Steve, ph 021 186 3645.

## WISE UP



**10 AM**  
**Thursday 8 May**  
**MacFarlane Park Centre**



**This month:**  
**Seated**  
**Exercise**  
**Making fitness fun**  
**and easy**

**All**  
**Welcome!**  
*Morning tea*  
*provided*



**For more**  
**information,**  
**contact Teresa on**  
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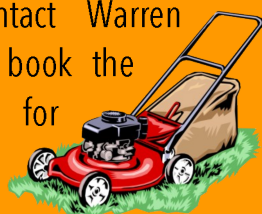
## Tools for autumn

Shirley Tool Shed has a range of tools available to help clean up autumn leaves and twigs! Leaf rakes and scoops free to borrow leaf blowers & vacuums \$5 a week petrol driven chipper/mulcher \$25 a week. \$30 for first time annual membership.  
Saturdays 9-11am, 33 Briggs Rd  
<https://shirleytoolshed.myturn.com>

**SHIRLEY  
TOOL SHED**



**Community Lawn Mower:** Contact Warren by text on 021 0235 5869 to book the community mower. Delivered for \$12 per use which includes fuel.



**As the days get shorter and cooler,  
it's a great time to read books.**

In Shirley we are fortunate to have lots of options of places to find books to read. There is the Book Nook at the Neighbourhood Centre and the Book Fridge at the Community Garden off Jebson Street. Special thanks to Toni Orchard who keeps these book libraries tidy and stocks them with more books when supplies get low. If you have books to donate feel free to drop them off at either location.



MacFarlane Park Neighbourhood Centre

## BOOK NOOK

You're welcome to come and take a free book, or leave one for others.

**MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY 9AM-2PM**  
**FRIDAY 9AM-1PM**  
(DURING TERM TIME)



Then there are the City Libraries: Shirley Library at the Palms has a vast selection of books for all ages and also runs lots of activities for all ages including Babytimes, Storytimes, Card games, Scrabble and Mahjong groups. To find out more about what they offer, check out the Christchurch Library website at [my.christchurchcitylibraries.com](http://my.christchurchcitylibraries.com)

The Library also has a bus so they can take books to events in the community, like Storytime in the Park, and they are always at SHINE.



As well as the City Libraries, we are fortunate to have another small local library - Mairehau Library on Kensington Avenue. This community library is run by volunteers and opens Monday, Wednesday and Friday 12-4pm and Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 10am-2pm. It has a great selection of books and DVDs for adults and children. Most books are 50c to borrow, new releases \$1 and children's books are free. The library is also home to many activities - a Knitting Group meets there each Tuesday morning, supporting 'Operation Cover Up' with their creations. Then on the first Monday of each month there is a Book Club where people share about the books they have been reading.

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If you would prefer to receive the newsletter in digital format, you can sign up at <https://shirleycommunitytrust.org.nz>. Thanks, the SCT team.

**For more information about Shirley Village Project and the programmes we run  
please visit [www.shirleyvillage.org](http://www.shirleyvillage.org) or Shirley Village on Facebook or Instagram**