### **ABOUT US**

**Frenz School Inc.** is a charitable society whose goal is to promote bilingual French-English education in New Zealand.

It is operated by a group of volunteer parents and a paid administrator who provide support to the schools.

Students in the units are part of a NZ school and they learn the NZ curriculum in both French and English.

#### www.frenzschool.org.nz

#### History

The first bilingual Frenz unit started in Auckland in 1996 with 8 students. Today there are approximately 150 students nationwide. There are 4 units in New Zealand: Birkdale North ("Etoile du Nord"), Richmond Road ("L'Archipel"). Christchurch ("La Découverte") and Wellington.

#### Christchurch

La Découverte was setup in 2016 by a committee of local parents. It is the first and only French-English school program in the South Island



## **CONTACT US**

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NZ primary school curriculum taught in French and English





# **BILINGUAL FRENCH UNIT**

#### How it works

- Students learn the New Zealand curriculum fully in French and in English
- Each class is split into mixed groups, based on age and level
- Teaching is in French 60% of the time and in English 40% of the time
- Students in the bilingual unit are fully part of the school community and participate in school activities

#### Goal

The goal is that at the end of year 6 ,students can fluently speak, write and read in both French and English.

#### Benefits

- Fluent French speaking teachers
- An excellent teacher/pupil ratio
- French teaching resources & library books
- An easy transition to the French educational system (if required)
- Participation in trips to New Caledonia
- Sponsorship for the DELF exam

#### Enrolments

Eligibility criteria to enrol at La Découverte:

- The student can understand French
- There is a French speaking adult available to support the child at home

Students must submit the La Découverte application form and Burnside Primary School enrolment form. An assessment with the teacher may be required to verify eligibility. On confirmation of a place, the family must send their Frenz membership form and payment directly to Frenz. School donations are paid to the school directly.

#### Fees

- Frenz membership: \$40/year per family
- Frenz donation: \$125/term per student
- School donation

# **BURNSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Burnside Primary School is a Year 1-6 public school based in Ilam, beside Cobham Intermediate and the Jelly Park Swimming and Sports Complex. It is also close to Burnside High School and the University of Canterbury.

The 280 children (who are 5 to 11 years old) bring a cultural richness with them, from 40 Nations. The School Values celebrate this diversity and provides an exciting, safe and welcoming environment for all.

Activities: The school grounds are large and participation in sport is encouraged. There are also many opportunities for students to be involved in choir, music lessons, environmental outdoor projects, and Kapa Haka.

**An ESOL teacher is employed** by the school to support the learning of students who have English as a second language.

A before and after school program is offered at the school by a private provider.

**Zoning:** Students in the Bilingual French Unit La Découverte are not required to be in the school zone to attend.

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# **BILINGUAL EDUCATION**

Multilingualism provides a wide range of advantages including social, cultural, employment and economic.

In the bilingual French unit students develop a lasting bond with the language, the culture and other bilingual students.

Give you child the best possible start. Open up their world with a bilingual education!

> Une éducation bilingue en Français et en Anglais dans une école publique a Christchurch