

# Hoon Hay School

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Kia ora families

Yesterday, our kaea (kapa haka leaders) attended the Te Matatini Festival (the International Cultural Festival) held at Hagley Park. This was an amazing occasion for our children to be part of. The sun was shining, the organisation was superb and the children were inspired with the festival items. The singing was incredible and could be heard throughout the city. Thanks to Awa for helping out with supervision and to Rebecca Turner for organising this cool opportunity.

The New Start interviews are taking place on March 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> and are an opportunity to share information about your child so we can ensure your child gets the best learning opportunities through 2015. Please come prepared. Talk with your child and think about the following things prior to the interview – health and medical issues – how your child has settled in, from your perspective – passions and interests that your child has – out of school commitments – what your child's three hopes are for the 2015 school year.

Your teacher has emailed you the link to book your interviews. Any problems, please let us know.

Carpark Grumble! Please don't park in the carpark - it is very annoying as well as dangerous. Yesterday we were taking a group of children to the Te Matatini Festival and found ourselves boxed in by parents parking illegally. Not only did it hold up our departure but it highlighted the growing problem. Please do not use the staff car park.

Also, please do not use the carpark as a walk/ scooter/ bike through zone. There is a footpath alongside the carpark that is much safer than a busy entrance.

Have a look at these photos of the Chromebooks in use at our open morning!

Have a great weekend 





## New Children

A huge Hoon Hay welcome to:

Calaiss H-W, Lui M,  
Evie McL, Emily G &  
Serena P.



## Principal's Awards

Congratulations to the following for receiving a Principals Award at assembly last week.

**Daniel MacF**  
**Daniel B**  
**zac M**  
**Thomas K**



## Birthdays!



Aria G, Amie K, Charlotte N,  
Neveah-Aroha H-W, Chloe P,  
Esther S, Hazel G & Renan R C!



# Fresh Fruit and Veggie Sale

Thank you all so much for generously supporting Ryuki's fundraiser, both in produce supplied & purchasing.

With your help we are able to add \$800 to Ryuki's [givealittle.co.nz](http://givealittle.co.nz) fund. If you visit the link you will see this is such a deserving cause.

**Hoon Hay – you are a wonderful community!**



## PTA AGM Notice

No matter how big or small your contribution, if you are wanting to be part of a team that supports Hoon Hay School, the PTA would love your spare time, ideas or opinions.

Our AGM is this coming Wednesday night (11<sup>th</sup> March), 7pm in the staff room and all parents and caregivers will be welcomed with huge appreciation.

You might prefer to be a helper and not a committee member and that would be fabulous too. Please contact [pta@hoonhay.school.nz](mailto:pta@hoonhay.school.nz) or the office or Cathy 027 677 2017.

**Thanking you all again!**



# INTRODUCING

## Mrs Angela Barcock-Pringle.....

I am excited to be returning to teaching in The Legends team after a year's leave. Hoon Hay is a wonderful community to be part of and it is great to see a number of former students returning to Hoon Hay with the next generation. Something you may not know about me is that I



have a long affiliation with Hoon

Hay School. Not only have I taught here for a number of years and our two children attended Hoon Hay for their primary education, but so did my older brother and I!!! Here is a photo of me on my first day at Hoon Hay, and a photo of me today!



## A Poem - by Georgia C

Rm 14 was asked to describe a colour using all four senses – this is what Georgia C thinks about YELLOW!

The colour yellow looks like a full bloomed sunflower as tall as the clock tower.  
It feels like a warm blanket from the sun rapping around the earth.  
It sounds like a bee buzzing to get some honey from the flowers.  
It smells like daffodils filling the air with it's beautiful smell around the world.



# Lost Property

The lost property bin is well and truly overflowing! We appreciate this is the bane of some parents lives, as their children's uniform goes missing on a regular basis. All lost property in the school is located outside a classroom in each block. If your child is missing any school inform, or indeed non-uniform items, please do check this area out over the next few weeks. We will be looking to return any named uniform to the rightful owners at the end of the term, while any unclaimed items are put aside for the second-hand uniform sale.

# Sport

## MiniBall

Our Year 4 miniball team has played three games so far. The team plays at Pioneer Stadium on a Thursday after school.

- In game one, they were beaten by TWT Pouakai. Most goals were scored in the first half by TWT Pouakai, However, in the second half we found our rhythm and played a closer game. Player of the day was Toby S who played a hard game sticking to his opposing player and really hussling him.
- In our second game we played against St Martins. This game was a lot closer and could have gone either way. Hoon Hay Hot Shots only lost by 1 goal. Player of the day was Quinn A who never let his partner out of his sight and showed great skill during the game.
- The result of the 3<sup>rd</sup> game was a win of 12 – 8, against Somerfield Spiders. A fantastic game to watch and the Player of the Day was Riley W.
- Team members are: Toby S, Quinn A, Riley W, Gina Z, Amiee W and Sophie L.

**Winter sport trials** will be happening for our Yr5/6 children over weeks 6, 7 & 8. Be sure your child checks the daily notices for trial times - must attend trials to be considered for a school team. Please bring your shinpads for Football trials and your mouthguard for Rugby if you have them.

Congratulations to Rhys T and Dallas C (Rm14) for being selected for the **Canterbury Cricket** team. They have tournaments over the next 3 weeks - Good luck boys, there may be future Black Caps coming out of Hoon Hay School.

Good luck to our swim team who will be competing at the South West Zones on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at Wharenui Pool - **GO HOON HAY**

Three weeks to our whole school **Cross Country at Halswell Quarry** on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Great to see all the children training daily around the school and improving their stamina, so they are ready for race day. We welcome your support at this school event.

Maps are on the school website, click on the Sports tab and have a look!

**Star City to Surf** reminder- Sunday 22nd March. Anyone thinking of having a go at the City to Surf this year can enter the event via our school at a discounted rate of \$15pp, normally \$20pp. Entries will be taken at our school office up until 9th March deadline. **Please note** this is not a school event. You are responsible for your own child during the race. As a school we are just collecting entry fees and dispatching race packs.



## School Account process in 2015

Payments are now due for Term 1 for the Mighty Minnows, with The Nest due on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March, followed by Team Koru and The Legends. We intend to send home the Term 2 Activity Fee before the end of Term 1. If you have any queries with these, please see the office. This is a new process for us, so we value any feedback.

## New and Prospective Parents Meeting

If you know of a 5 year old that is in zone and intending to attend Hoon Hay - please encourage their parents to phone the office to ensure that they are on the database. The more accurate our numbers are, the better we can plan. Thank you for helping us out with this. Our next New & Prospective Parents Meeting is on Friday 20 March at 9.30am.

### Calendar Dates

#### MARCH

- 9 - 13 Mighty Minnows & The Nest – Swim Week
- 10 SouthWest Zone Swimming Sports
- 11 - 12 New Start Interviews
- 11 PTA AGM – 7pm in Staffroom
- 13 Full School Assembly
- 19 Woodend Camp Parent Info Meeting – 3.15pm in Room 8
- 20 Cookie and Hot Chocolate
- 20 New & Prospective Parents Meeting 9.30am
- 20 Cookie & Hot Chocolate
- 23 Room 1 & 2 Parents Education Evening
- 26 Board of Trustees Meeting
- 27 School Cross Country – Halswell Quarry
- 30 Canterbury School Swimming

#### APRIL

- 01 Legends Camp Meeting for Parents – 3.15pm in Room 16
- 02 Last day of Term 1



### 2015 School Terms

#### Term 1

Monday 2 February – Thursday 2 April

#### Term 2

Monday 20 April – Friday 3 July

#### Term 3

Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September

#### Term 4

Monday 12 October – 12 noon Wednesday 16 December

### 2015 Public Holidays

<b>Friday 3 April</b>	Good Friday
<b>Saturday 25 April</b>	ANZAC Day
<b>Monday 27 April</b>	ANZAC Day Observed
<b>Monday 1 June</b>	Queens Birthday
<b>Monday 26 October</b>	Labour Day
<b>Friday 13 November</b>	Show Day



If you would like to become more familiar with the school policies you can do this by jumping on the school website and clicking on the policy button. That will take you directly to the policies and will also explain how you can contribute to the review process. The school encourages your involvement. The policy currently under review is Home Learning.

## Community News!

Does your son or daughter in Year 3 or 4 want to get into netball?? Cashmere Netball Club is keen to enter a team in this age group that plays on a Friday afternoon. It's a great way to learn the basics of the game as the format involves skill sessions before a game against another team. There are currently 2 girls from Hoon Hay School keen to play, so now we need to find 6 or 7 more (and they don't all have to be from Hoon Hay). If you are interested please contact Lou Cameron on 339 2612

**Tai Tapu Playcentre Women's Duathlon** – Sunday 29 March. 4km walk/run + 7km bike OR 7km run + 15 km bike. Individual or Team entries. Register online at [taitapuduathlon.co.nz](http://taitapuduathlon.co.nz).

**Kiwi Family Trust** - We are holding a Monster Garage Sale Fundraiser on Saturday 21st March 2015 from 9am – 3pm. There are raffles and a sausage sizzle fundraiser as well as the opportunity to grab some great bargains!

**CALLING ALL SINGERS!!!** Barrington Children's Choir is currently seeking new members to join us in preparing for a May concert. We meet weekly on Sunday afternoons in Hoon Hay and Sydenham for 1-1.5 hours of singing fun. Email choir director Jamiee Trethowan: [jamietrethowan@live.com](mailto:jamietrethowan@live.com) or phone 03 981 5761 for more information

"Are you aged 10-18? Are you vegetarian or vegan, or want to be? The **Christchurch Vegetarian Youth Group** meets Fridays from 6.30 till 8.30pm, with two age groups, 10 - 12-year-olds and 13+. We meet to have fun, learn how to cook some great vegetarian/vegan food, have games/movies/activities and meet other veggie youth. First meeting this year is 6th March. Contact Emma, [youth@vegetarianchristchurch.org.nz](mailto:youth@vegetarianchristchurch.org.nz) for more information".

**Cashmere Netball Club** are holding trials over the next two Sundays 1st and 8th March. We cater for all age groups and ready made teams. For further information and registration please visit us at [www.sportsground.co.nz/cashmerenc](http://www.sportsground.co.nz/cashmerenc)

**McDonalds Youth Duathlon** – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March, South Hagley Park. For more details, please visit [www.mcdonaldsduathlon.co.nz](http://www.mcdonaldsduathlon.co.nz)



**KEEN ON SPORT THIS WINTER? CHECK OUT SUBURBS NETBALL!!**

(Future Ferns, U11, U12, U14, U17, Senior & Social teams)

**Registration nights: Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th March  
6-7pm at the Suburbs Clubrooms, 33 Lincoln Road.**

For more information check out our Facebook page or contact Melissa  
[suburbsrugbynetball@gmail.com](mailto:suburbsrugbynetball@gmail.com)

## Community News con't!

**The Southern Ballet Theatre Presents** – The Wizard of Oz, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April, and The Ballet Competition, Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April. Children and Senior Citizens \$12.50, Adults \$15.00. For more information please visit [southernballet@xtra.co.nz](mailto:southernballet@xtra.co.nz) or phone 03 379 719.

The April school holidays have a way of creeping up on us all! The Air Force Museum is running an OSCAR-endorsed holiday programme titled - 'Nature's Flight', starting Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> of April and running until the 17<sup>th</sup> of April. You can choose half days, full days, or a full week. For more information please check out our website, [www.airforcemuseum.co.nz](http://www.airforcemuseum.co.nz) or call the Public Programmes Team on 03 3439504. Book now, spaces are filling fast!

**WANT TO PLAY FOOTBALL?** Come join the most popular sport in the world this winter, just before the FIFA U20 World Cup! We have a large junior side with children from Tai Tapu to Halswell to Hoon Hay, and our registrations are now open! Trials have occurred but all children are welcome to come down for training as teams will not be finalised until March. All information for registrations and training times is available on our website at: [www.hawkfootball.org.nz](http://www.hawkfootball.org.nz) - Registrations will incur a late fee after March 31<sup>st</sup>, season begins April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Pine Cones for sale** - \$5 per bag. Fundraising for Dance Competition for a trip to Nelson at Easter. Please phone Kate 021 02787401 for more details or orders.

**StarFish Swim School**, 2 Nash Road, Halswell. Bookings for April holiday programme are now open for the week of the 28<sup>th</sup> April - Cost is \$59 for the week. Phone 3381795 or email [starfishswimschool@vodafone.net.nz](mailto:starfishswimschool@vodafone.net.nz).

We are a **Rhythmic Gymnastics Club** based out of the New Zealand Institute of Sport 66b Wharenui Road, Riccarton. We are currently holding testing days for pre-international individual gymnasts and group grades. If you think your daughter has what it takes and loves or would love to do rhythmic gymnastics competitively and the opportunity to travel then please contact me to arrange to attend a testing day. Testing days will be held on the following days. Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> of March, Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> of March and Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> of April from 10am. Please contact Bianca Stove at [divargc@gmail.com](mailto:divargc@gmail.com) or 0275217220.

**WHARENUI M\*A\*S\*H SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME** -The best fun your kids can have! WINZ subsidy is available. Located at Wharenui School. For session times and fees, to view the programme activities or to enrol please visit our website [www.mashkids.co.nz](http://www.mashkids.co.nz), email us at [enrol@mashkids.co.nz](mailto:enrol@mashkids.co.nz) or call us on 0800 420 520 any time. We look forward to seeing you and your children ☺

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