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Kia ora Whanau,

Our field work is nearing completion which is great. The good weather has meant that everything has gone without a hitch. We will continue to have the field fenced off to allow time for the grass seed to strike. It will be worth it in the end.:) The Maryhill Ave access will be open from Monday.

Thank you so much for your patience with the roadworks as we all come to terms with the changes to routine. The next challenge will be to negotiate all of this on a rainy day!



We had cause for major celebration yesterday as the Year 6 boys did a clean sweep of the Zone Cross Country. Congratulations to Ben H, James F and Tom S for coming 1st, 2nd and 3rd! This is a special moment in our school history so congratulations boys! There were also some personal bests amongst the wider cross country team. 7 out of our team of 12 have made it through to the Centrals.

Nearly 200 children have attended camps since the start of the term. We love taking the children out of the school environment to experience the great outdoors, however we are unable to do this without parent support. So **THANK YOU**



to the 35 parents who took time from work and families to help out - we really appreciate it.

Team Koru have visited the Antarctic Centre and had Kaylin J's Grandad visit (he knows a lot about Antarctica), Mighty Minnows have had Science Alive and the Nest have been visited by the space woman - it is all go around here!

Have a fabulous weekend and enjoy that winter sport!

Lee



New Children

A huge Hoon Hay welcome to:

Taylah-Marie R,
Monique G & Blaze W.



Birthdays!

Charlotte D, Mya K, Jamison C, Alex M, Blake B, Molly C, Nicky L, Louie N, Daniel B, Ava S, Matilda P, Olivia H, Isla A, Kenny L, Caleb A, Benjamin L, Timothy D & Zachary M.



Principal's Awards

Well done to the following for receiving a Principal's Award recently:



Dajarn B, Pranav K, Seth S, Amelia R, Ava N-T, Peter H, Lance S, Olivia H, Leila H, Taylor E, Harvey S, Lachie R, Jordyn R, Lukah R, Sarah C, Jaden H & Sophie Y.

Come and Get your Google on

This term and over the course of this year the Hoon Hay and OLA staff and students are coming together to run some educational workshops on e-Learning. We will be holding several e-Learning, and more specifically Google, workshops for those parents who are keen to learn more about the new way our students are learning.

Watch for more information about these workshops to come out next week.

STUCK?

Great! It was worth going to school today.

Your child might be finding learning **hard**. This is okay, because it is important to remember that learning actually means **finding out about stuff you don't know**, so it should be hard, before it becomes easy.

Talk with your child about **why** new learning can be frustrating and difficult at first. **Share** with them about a time you found new learning difficult (such as, learning how to use a new smart phone, or perhaps another piece of technology) and what you did to **overcome** your **frustrations**.

we want them to know that

NEW learning should be difficult, and that we have to persevere to master the learning.

TALK TIME

Hoon Hay Heroes



Sophia L works hard to achieve **Orange!**

Sophia L has worked very hard for nearly a year and has been successful by moving up to an Orange Belt in Karate! Awesome persistence Sophia ☺



Alizjah C had a wonderful surprise when he went to train with the Crusaders. He is currently on cloud 9, his dream has come true with an opportunity of a lifetime! Here is a photo of him with his favourite person everapart from his Mum ☺



Lost Property

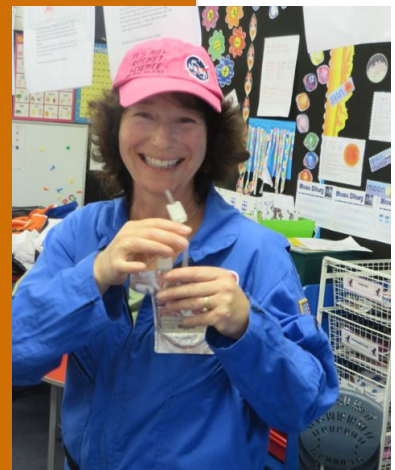
We have a huge amount of lost property at school. This has been kindly sorted by Kirsten Turner and all named items have been returned to the class. Unnamed items can be located in the ladies toilets at the back of the hall and there are loads of them!. There is some good quality mufti items as well. If your child has misplaced something, please go over the check through. It seems a shame that this pile increases every day. Top tip – name all clothing!



The Nest go to SpAcE!

The Nest team have been lucky to experience “Space Camp” with a visit to Rooms 5 and 6 (Room 7 next week!).

The NASA Space Camp Ambassador to New Zealand visited us, and we were able to dress up in flight suits. It was very cool. We learnt all about how astronauts go to space, including how they eat, sleep, drink and go to the toilet while in space.



Team Koru visit the Antarctic

Q. What do you get when you cross 120 Team Koru children, blue penguins, a -15 degree snow storm, blubber and snow mobiles?

A. An amazing Antarctic experience!

The Team Koru children are now experts about this frozen continent.



INTRODUCING



Mike the Amazing

Hi - I'm Mike Barber and I work for Origin Sport, a charitable trust, and I come in one day a week to deliver various sports coaching to Team Koru.

The aim is to give the children the basic fundamental skill's training that will enable them to partake and compete in sport to a higher level later in life.



One interesting fact you may not know about me is that I race paddleboards at a national level, both in distance and surf events.



photo of the week



Riley H persisted with skipping this week, until he was able to master a backwards skip! Here he is in full flight.

Great work Riley - keep working hard to see how many you can do in a row!



1. Congratulations to the Hoon Hay Zone Cross Country Team. Beautiful weather conditions were on offer for this years zone cross country, and Team Hoon Hay made the most of it. The children were transported by parent helpers out to the Quarry, and arrived nervous and excited, but rearing to race. The day started with the year 5 girls featuring Indi, Jessica and Emily they all raced extremely well and Indi was placed 14th. Next followed our year 5 boys all holding their own in the top of the pack with Brody finishing 4th, Toby 8th and Matthew in 11th all 3 boys will be going on to represent us at Canterbury's. The year 6 girls took to the start line at a cracking pace with Sophia, Mia and Jorja all giving it their best, Sophia placed 11th and will go onto Canterbury's. The year 6 boys then showed the rest of the schools how it was done by picking up the top 3 spots - Ben 1st, James 2nd, Tom 3rd. Fantastic effort by all, supported by some very proud parents and cheered on by a very excited marshal - Mrs Meaclem. Well done Hoon Hay - be very proud. A big thank you to the parent helpers on the day. The Canterbury Primary Schools Cross Country will be held on the 10th June. We wish the children going on to compete in this the best of luck.



2. Want to know what sporting things are on around school? Be sure to check out our sports page on our school website. This page will also show you the Hagley Winter Sport draws and results, plus Pioneer Basketball draws and results and other sporting events and news. There are also lots of action photos in our media gallery. Please note: if winter sport is cancelled on a Friday this will be up on our school website at 11.30am.

3. Final call for gymnasts - Entries closing. If any children (minimum age 8 yrs) who are registered with GSNZ and are interested in competing in the Canterbury Primary Schools Artistic or Rhythmic gymnastics competitions in June please contact Michelle asap - michelle.m@hoonhay.school.nz

4. Hagley Winter Sport started in beautiful spring like conditions on the 8th May. Children and coaches were excited and nervous on the bus as they headed to Hagley to take on the opposition. After a good warm up hike across the park to set up our fields the whistle blew and the competition was on. Our teams all played very well in their different codes - showing fantastic sportmanship, and on the final whistle Hoon Hay had come away with a lot of winning smiles for their efforts. Full results can be found each week on our sports sub page along with Players of the Day and future draws. Sadly the weather did not play the game on the 15th May and sport was cancelled.

5. Our Globetrotters, Hotshots and Falcons basketball teams all bounced into play on Wednesday evening 13th May. All teams walked away with wins for the first evening of competition - well done to teams and coaches. It is going to be an exciting season of basketball as the children progress and develop their skills through the season. Special thanks to Ollie P and Niall B who played 2 games on the first evening to cover children away on school camps - well done boys!

Crazy Hair Day

Friday 05 June \$2



Calendar Dates

MAY

29 Full School Assembly

JUNE

01 Queens Birthday

03 El Grego Magic Show – this cost will be included in the Term 3 Activity Fee

05 Crazy Hair Day

New and Prospective Parents Meeting

08 Triple P Parenting Course

10 Canterbury Schools Cross Country

12 Full School Assembly

15 Canterbury Schools Artistic Gymnastics

Triple P Parenting Course

17 pp Canterbury Schools Cross Country

18 BOT Meeting

22 Canterbury Schools Rhythmic Gymnastics

23 Canterbury Schools Indoor Tournament – Basketball

26 Full School Assembly

29 Triple P Parenting Course

2015 School Terms

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

Monday 1 June Queens Birthday

Monday 26 October Labour Day

Friday 13 November Show Day

Community News

As next week is **Samoan Language Week** and a celebration has been organised to mark the occasion. This is a great opportunity for us all to collaborate in meeting the Ministry of Education's aspirations for Pacific learners. " The Pasifika Education Plan 2013–2017 (PEP) aims to achieve optimum learning by promoting closer alignment and compatibility between: • the learner's educational environment, and • their home and/or cultural environment, so that communities, education providers and services, are using their individual, collective and cultural connections and affiliations to work together towards better outcomes and better results." If you and/or your child wishes to attend this event, please contact emma.w@hoonhay.school.nz

AIR FORCE MUSEUM Holiday Programme - Come join the fun at the Air Force Museum this July for our OSCAR- endorsed school holiday programme, Trench Art! These winter holidays we will be making our own games, badges and models from found objects after becoming inspired by the Museum's trench art collection. This fun, interactive holiday programme will include active explorations in our Pacific Simulator Room and the Museum's reserve collection! Suitable for ages 5 to 12; 8:30am – 3pm; 6th -10th or 13th -17th July 2015. Contact our Public Programmes team to book your child in: programmes@airforcemuseum.co.nz or 03 343 9504.

On Wednesday, May 27, from 6pm - 8pm we will be running our school Open Night. Ao Tawhiti Unlimited Discovery is a year 1 - 13 school, currently operating on 2 campuses. Our year 1 - 6 students are based on the Discovery Campus located in Halswell and our year 7-13's are at the Unlimited Campus situated on the University of Canterbury Teachers College site. The Open Night will be held on our Unlimited Campus at the Wairarapa Block, University of Canterbury, Cnr Parkstone Ave & Solway Ave.

Disclaimer: *Hoon Hay School does not necessarily endorse the public notices advertised here.*



Halswell School
Winter Carnival & Open Day
Queen's Birthday Weekend
Monday 1 June 2015
11am – 3pm

As the first school to go through a complete post earthquake rebuild (while the school continued to operate on the same site) we are opening our amenities to the public of Christchurch. This is an opportunity for school communities, which may be about to embark on building MLE's to visit a completed, rebuild. Teaching staff and children will be available to explain how things now work at Halswell.

Supported by our Winter Carnival

As part of Halswell School's 150th Sesquicentennial Celebrations, taking place over the Queen's Birthday weekend, 31 May – 1 June, the school is hosting a Winter Carnival and Open Day on Monday 1st June.

The Carnival will be largely held indoors or under cover and feature entertainment, games, craft stalls, food, raffles with great prizes as well as the usual stalls such as the White Elephant, Books, Toy and Games and Cakes.

The Carnival will also act as an Open Day, so that members of the wider Christchurch community can view the new school and modern learning environments and have questions answered by members of the school staff.

Location: Halswell School, School Road, Halswell, Christchurch. The entrance to the Carnival will be through the main school gates on School Road. Parking is available on the surrounding streets but please be aware that this is a residential area so be mindful of obstructing access for residents.

Regards,
Bruce Topham
Principal