

# Hoon Hay School

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Kia ora Whānau,

Our Kapa Haka group performed amazingly at the cultural festival on Monday night. Check out the youtube clip of them in action. A huge congratulation to all involved in the festival, from the tutors, teachers, parents, whanau and the stars of the show, our tamariki - you were awesome! We are so proud of you. A special thanks to Rebecca Turner and Whitney Hansen for leading the group and of course Taua Daph for her presence and input - it doesn't work the same without you Daph!



The winter flu bugs just won't go away and seem to be lingering longer than usual. We have been doing our bit by reinforcing frequent hand washing practices and safe sneezing. Here's hoping as the weather improves the flu bugs disappear.

Next week is our art exhibition - make sure you don't miss it. There is some simply stunning artwork for you to view :-). Keep an eye out for the staff display....maybe not quite so stunning!

See you there - have a great weekend and Happy Father's Day on Sunday!

Lee



## New Children

A HUGE Hoon Hay  
welcome to:

Henry L, Rocío S,  
Zsófia dA, Hannah B,  
Dante G, Megan K,  
Aidan K, Millie B &  
Neve S.



## Principal's Awards



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

Sydney H, Joshua B, Georgia C, Naomi T,  
Lucia A, Alfie K, Emily R, Evie J, ESSy S,  
Isaac B, Kade H, Carter R & Monique G.

## Birthdays!

Ali G, Henry F, Isabella J, Zoe G, Conor C, Harrold B,  
Latai T, Keira C, Ayun K,  
Tommy N, Daniel O'K, Harry W &  
Lexi G.





## Student Led Conferences

Just a reminder about the Student Led Conference with the Mighty Minnows (Rooms 0, 3, 4 & 19 only) on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September, The Nest on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Team Koru on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September. Full information was e-mailed out on Thursday 3 September, and we have spare copies of this notice available in the office. We view these as an integral part of our reporting process and we are expecting all parents and children to be involved. Times are from 3.15pm – 6.15pm.

For the Legends team, this year we are offering Open Days on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September. An invitation to this was e-mailed to you from your child, so pop in at a time that suits.

## 2016 Class Placements

We are beginning to plan for 2016. Hoon Hay is a large school and we have many options for placement. We like to think that we are preparing our children for the future by ensuring that they experience change in a supportive and caring environment. We want to make the best decisions that we can so that your child has a successful learning year. Your child will be surveyed to find out who their friends are and we endeavor to put children in classrooms where we know they have at least “one” good friend, however we also know that friendship groups can change. Teachers spend a large amount of time working on class placements. We consider the academic, social and emotional needs of your child. Any special requirements or needs that you would like us to consider, or be aware of, so we can best place your child, please email the information to Wendy Dent, Di Stayt or Emma Worsfold. Please don't think of this as an opportunity to request a particular teacher, rather it is a chance for you to let us know things we need to consider so that your child can have an outstanding 2016. Please also let us know if your child will not be returning to Hoon Hay School in 2016.

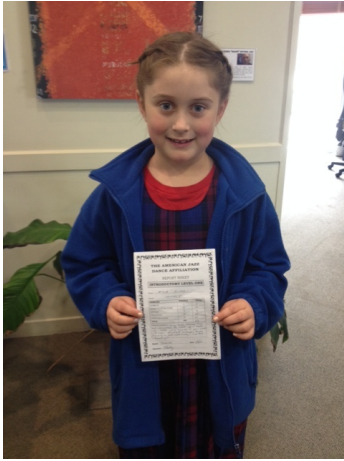
## photo of the week

Our Mighty Minnow children have fun outside with the Parachute - as they bounce the toy up and down, from side to side.....



# Hoon Hay Heroes

**Congratulations** to all our Jazz stars who have gained great marks in the recent exam!



Kaylin J

Mya K



Abigail H



Here is Mrs Megan Andrews with her medals presented to Canterbury Runners who competed in the Christchurch Marathon (42.2 kms). She was placed 3rd in Open Womens and 2nd in Masters 35-49yrs.



Cruz A received the Most Dedicated Player award from his Halswell Rugby League Team - what an amazing award to receive!

Well done everyone!



## Sumdog

Over the last week Room 13 was part of the Canterbury Sumdog competition. Over 345 students took place across Canterbury and 121,592 questions were answered. The children had 1000 questions to answer and the aim was to see how many they could get correct, gaining more points for the class.

Room 13 was placed first in the Canterbury contest. Winning the prize of premium games on Sumdog - which they are all stoked about!

Jessica T was the top pupil in the Canterbury contest scoring 974 correct out of 1000.

## Introducing

Hi, my name is Melanie Herron and I have the pleasure of being the teacher in the new classroom "Jellyfish Bay". I have two children who go to Hoon Hay School and you may know them. They are Keira who is in Room 12 and Flynn who is in



Room 5, and it is so good that we are all here together at this fabulous school. I love to bake cakes and experiment in the kitchen, as well as doing anything creative.

Something you may not know about me is that I have lived in Israel for 4 months on a Kibbutz.



# Sport

**TOUCH SEASON - TERM 4** - Is your child in years 3-6 and interested in playing touch in Term 4 at Centennial Park on Thursday's. Trials for teams will be happening at lunch times over the next 2 weeks. Full information went home with children this week and permission slips need to be returned by Monday 7th September for those children wanting to trial for a team.

**Legends Sports Prizegiving** - Friday 11th September 11.30am-12.30pm in the school hall. For all children who competed in Hagley Sport or Pioneer Basketball this season. Prize giving will be followed by a shared lunch.

# Kids for Kids

So there I was, walking on stage. As soon as I saw the crowd I had butterflies in my tummy. The bright lights flashed in my eyes. Then music came to my ears and I felt like I wanted to sing my heart out. I could see all the bright colours in the audience. My favourite song was "I'll Say Goodbye" because there were comments to say thank you and goodbye. I heard all the beautiful singers singing their hearts out. I saw flashes coming from the audience. My arms got a bit tired doing all the actions and my cheeks hurt from smiling all the time I was singing. I could see everyone was tired. Luckily I had lots of fun and it was one of the best nights ever!!

By Nevaeh





## House Sports Day & Red Nose Day



The children and staff had a great day raising money for Cure Kids, while competing team against team at various activities around the school. The weather was kind and enabled us to complete all the 10 challenges that were set.

Children were kept busy digging for treasure, relaying water, and trying to remember just what they had seen in that big mystery box. It was a great day and fun was had by all. The children enjoyed the competition of house against house.

The overall winner on the day was Sparks followed by Cracroft in 2nd place and Heathcote & Worsley finishing 3rd=.

There are more photos to check out on media gallery on the sports web page.

## Calendar Dates



### SEPTEMBER

- 8 Art Attack Grandparent Morning 10.00 am – 11.00 am  
Art Attack – Exhibition open 11.30 am – 7.00 pm  
Legends Open Day
- 9 Art Attack – Exhibition 8.00 am – 1.00 pm  
Legends Choir – rehearsal 9.00 am  
Y6 To Christchurch South – 1.00 pm  
Legends Open Day
- 11 Full School Assembly – 9.00 am  
Legends Sports Assembly – 11.30 am – 12.30 pm
- 14 Y4 parents 1:1 Device Open Day – Room 13  
Mighty Minnows Student Led Conferences (Rms 0 , 3, 4 & 19) 3.15 pm – 6.15 pm
- 15 The Nest Student Led Conferences - 3.15pm – 6.15pm
- 16 Team Koru Student Led Conferences - 3.15pm – 6.15pm
- 17 Board of Trustees Meeting
- 18-25 Year 6 Cycle Safe
- 21 Parent Education Digital Learning Spaces (Google sites) – 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm
- 12 - 23 Yr 5 - Golf in School
- 24 Yr 5 trip to Tai Tapu Golf Course
- 25 Full School Assembly – 9.00 am  
Term 3 Ends

### 2015 Public Holidays

**Monday 26 October** Labour Day  
**Friday 13 November** Show Day

### 2015 School Terms

#### Term 3

Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September

#### Term 4

Monday 12 October – 12 noon  
Wednesday 16 December



**Wednesday 14th October - 1.30 pm**  
**Parent session: Managing anxiety in children.**  
This is a repeat of the popular session held last year by Justine Aldous.



# Community News

**The Christchurch City Librarians** have some great ideas for the **holidays**, visit their website - <http://christchurchcitylibraries.com/LearningCentres/Brochures/HolidayProgrammes.pdf>

Here are the programmes that we will be running here at the South Library:

3D Tinker Workshop (10-13 years), Chillout Tunes (7-9 years), Family Game Time (all ages), free, Minecraft Game Zone (8-12 years), Stylish Stickers (5-7 years), Stop Motion Animation (8-12 years). To make a booking, please either phone (03) 941 5140 or email [learningcentre@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:learningcentre@ccc.govt.nz).

**Act 2 Drama Group** - Audition Call. Act2 Drama Group is thrilled to invite persons of all ages to audition for our next production....101 Dalmatians. This production will be performed as part of the SummerTimes season 9th - 16th January 2016. Auditions are on Saturday 19th September 2015 at the Richmond Community Cottage. 78 London Street Richmond Christchurch. Please call, text or email Fay to book your audition time 021 043 1108 or [act2dramagroup@gmail.com](mailto:act2dramagroup@gmail.com)

**Christchurch United Football Club** would like to invite teams to enter into the Inaugural Rams 5 –a-Side Summer Football Competition for 2015. THE EMPHASIS OF THE COMPETITION IS PARTICIPATION RATHER THAN PERFORMANCE SO ALL LEVELS WILL BE CATERED TO. 5-a-side will commence on Thursday 8th October and run for 8 weeks SEND YOUR TEAM REGISTRATION TO: [summerfootball@christchurchunited.co.nz](mailto:summerfootball@christchurchunited.co.nz)

**KIDS KARATE CLASSES** (5 – 9 year-olds). Help your child build confidence, self-control, a healthy body and mind through a traditional martial art in a caring and respectful environment. The instructor, Sensei Dan Jakes has been training for thirty years in Shotokan Karate. Dan holds a third degree black belt and is a previous New Zealand national champion and national team member. Dan has nearly twenty years of teaching and coaching experience and is also a qualified teacher. Venue: Christchurch South Intermediate School Hall. Time: Mondays 4.30pm – 5.15pm (starts October 12th). Fee: \$100 (per 10 week term). To register contact us, or visit [danjakesacupuncture.com/karate/](http://danjakesacupuncture.com/karate/) for more info. Phone: 03 3665058. Email: [dan@sanctuaryhealth.co.nz](mailto:dan@sanctuaryhealth.co.nz)

**Rex Dance Registered Medical Herbalist and Homeobotanical Therapist** - Spring is here. Time to revitalize the health of the whole family. Please visit [www.naturalherbalowl.co.nz](http://www.naturalherbalowl.co.nz) , Phone / Text : 027 647 1294. Consultation \$80 adult, \$60 animal, \$40 child (discount for 2 or more family members/animals included). Formula's, herbs or nutritional supplements extra. Sunday, Monday appointments available, All Days: 7pm - 9pm. Please complete Questionnaire for all prior to Consultation appointment (available on website). ' Natural, Complementary, Individualised, Specific, Affordable.'

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