



# Hoon Hay School

Newsletter/Pānui 6

06 May 2016

Kia ora whānau,

Welcome back to term 2! I hope that you had the opportunity to create some wonderful holiday memories. The term has kicked off quickly with camps and Keeping Ourselves Safe. It is always a pleasure having Senior Constable Ross Mitchell in our school.



He provides the valuable service of assisting with delivering the KOS programme, training our road patrollers and promoting road safety. You may have noticed Ross' presence out on the street. Over the last few weeks of school and now this week I have received a number of emails from parents and people in our community who have witnessed Hoon

Hay children nearly being run over. In every case the children have just darted out into the road causing motorists to brake and take evasive action. The children are oblivious and continue on their way whereas the motorists are distressed and upset. Unfortunately they can't identify the children but they can identify the uniform. All of the incidents I know about are in the side streets around the school. One local resident was so disturbed with what she saw in the morning that she came into see me on her way home from work. Here is an example of an email we received:

*"It's only a matter of time before something more unfortunate happens unless behaviour is modified. I drive down Rydal St just about every day with my kids after school. Everyday I see kids on bikes and scooters on both the road (only bikes) and the footpath going really quick and not looking down driveways for cars and certainly not stopping properly at the intersections of Rollesby and Northaw as well as Listrella Rd. Often cars are forced to stop quickly as kids bike/scooter passed parked cars."*

This is very worrying. Please, please can you discuss these incidences with your children and talk them through how they can keep themselves safe on the way to and from school. We are reinforcing this message at school, too, as part of the KOS programme and Road Safety Week is coming up 16-22 May – let's kickstart it early!

On a positive note, the Year 4 campers have had an amazing time at Woodend. Take a look at the photos on the next pages. Sincere thanks to the staff Sue, Lynda, Sarah and Owen and all the parents helpers – Sue Massie, Vanessa Pont, Andrew Johnson, Adrian Stent, Denis Puha, Suzie Sauer, Liz Thorpe, Jonathan Clarke, Craig Thomson, Rae Stewart, Ben Akehurst, Bruce Gabites, Graham Jory, Nicki MacKenzie, Adam Pincus, Steve Harrison, Paul Clarke, Nadia Mitchell, Shaun Cameron and Joe Windley.

Next week we farewell the Year 5 children to Spencer Park and the Year 6 children to Arthur's Pass. Fingers crossed that the weather is kind so you can enjoy the experiences on offer. Watch out for those keas!

Ngā mihi nui

Lee

Lee McArthur  
Principal / Tumuaki



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# WELCOME

A huge welcome to our fabulous new Children:

Jackson A, Hunter P, Ben B, Liam vdH, Fracios vdH, Jack P, Cameron F, Kaia A, Nora D-G & Eden M.



Congratulations to the following tamariki for receiving a **Principal's Award** recently:

**Takeru D, Ben L, Thomas K, Marena S, Finn H, Luke A, Emma G, Eva O, Lachie N, Jessica M, Chlose C, Rebecca B & William McN.**

## Rā whānau!

Lily F, Alivia C, Kamaioha P-O, Chloe C, Eddie F, Emilia L, Jasmine C, Barbie B, Ben L, Lachlan R, Sophie Y, Hua N-T, Micah M, Harry D, Josiah W, Connor C, Connor H, Laura L, Harper D, Bryn F, Maddison L, Liam E, Peter H, Ella H, Makayla M & Ryder T.



# Happy Birthday

# Runathon Prizewinners

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Runathon last term – your efforts helped us to raise over \$6,200. That's a fabulous effort and we greatly appreciate your help. We would also like to mention Michelle Fletcher, Rachel Charman, Di Gordon and Cathy Higgins who helped Rae Stewart with the organisation of this fundraiser.

A special thanks to the following children who raised the most money in their class and to Rhiannon M (room 13) who raised the most overall! Rhiannon is going out for a special lunch and the below children will have some fun at the Margaret Mahy Playground with Ms McArthur in a few weeks when everyone is back from camps!

Room 6 raised the most money and will enjoy a mufti day with a lunch!

Room Number	Name
2	Bayley W-G
3	Ruby C
4	Ofa K
5	Jordana L T-I
6	Jamie D
7	Amber N-R
8	Daniel O'K
9	Zachary M
10	Aibgail H
11	Lachlan R
12	Sara M
13	Rhiannon M
14	Daijarn B
15	Ella D
16	Josh V
18	Ava F & Sam F
19	Sarah C
20	Phoebe S
21	Jasmine C





# Team Koru Camp to Woodend

Check out these awesome photos!





# Blogging – Year 1-4

You may have noticed that we have changed the way we blog. In previous years we have used class pages which was password protected so only those with the password could access. This year we have moved to using 'blogger' which is much quicker and easier for staff. However, it is not password protected. On enrolment you signed a form giving permission for your child's image, work and/or first name with initial of surname to be used on our website. Mostly this is used through the newsletter where we share photos, work and first names with initial of surname. Our blogs (which are on our website) follow the same guidelines. If you feel uncomfortable with this, please email the office to let us know and we will ensure that your child's image, work and name are not shared through blogging.



On a separate note, please leave a comment when you view the blog...it is tremendously exciting to know that someone has viewed your work and every comment is shared with the children. Just be aware that teachers have to approve all the comments first so you will not see them instantly on the blog. The children get a real kick out of knowing that family members have viewed their 'amazing' efforts.

## What else are we great at?



Congratulations to Kaylin J for her recent dance competition - 1<sup>st</sup> National character, 2<sup>nd</sup> Demi character, 3<sup>rd</sup> Barefoot and Jazz Duo with Caleb A.





## PENRITH PANTHERS COLOURING COMPETITION

- Congratulations to George H and Nevaeh H-W, pictured with their winning entries in the Penrith Panthers colouring competition. These two children have each won a double pass to the Penrith Panthers vs Warriors NRL game at AMI Stadium next weekend - Have fun and enjoy the game!



**GYMNASTICS** - If there are 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 make contact with Michelle Meaclem - [michelle.m@hoonhay.school.nz](mailto:michelle.m@hoonhay.school.nz)

**PRIMARY SCHOOLS DUATHLON** - Best of luck to Sam H, Indi B and Isla A who will be competing in the Primary Schools Duathlon at Ruapuna Speedway next week with children from schools all over Canterbury. We wish these 3 students the best of luck.

**TOP TEAM CHALLENGE** - Check out these photos - Team Koru and Legends children participated in the Top Team Challenge on the last day of term one. A beautiful sunny day for the fun team building activities that were organised. Teams had to work together to complete puzzles and challenges, which involved a lot of inquisitive thinking skills and great communication. Teams had great fun and the water activities ruled! Many thanks to the wonderful parent helpers that enabled us to run this event at school.







## dates to Remember

### May

- 09 - 11 Rm 18 & 20 Spencer Park Camp – Year 5
- 09 – 11 Rm 18 & 20 Arthur's Pass Camp – Year 6
- 11 – 13 Rm 19 & 21 Spencer Park Camp – Year 5
- 11 – 13 Rm 19 & 21 Arthur's Pass Camp – Year 6
- 13 Full School Assembly
- 10 Primary School Duathlon – Ruapuna
- 11 Orana Park Trip – Mighty Minnows
- Basketball Begins
- 20 Hagley Winter Sport begins
- 23 Parenting with Confidence Course – 1.30pm
- 24 – 25 Science Alive visit – Team Koru & Legends
- 25 PTA Meeting 7.30pm, Staffroom
- 26 BOT Meeting – 7pm, Staffroom
- 27 Full School Assembly
- Zone Cross Country – Halswell Quarry
- 30 Parenting with Confidence Course – 1.30pm

### June

- 02 Dogsmart Presentation
- 06 QUEENS BIRTHDAY
- 08 Matariki Show
- 09 Dogsmart Presentation
- 10 Full School Assembly

*For more dates, please see our Calendar on the School Website*

## 2016 School Terms

### Term 2

Monday 02 May – Friday 08 July

### Term 3

Monday 25 July – Friday 23 September

### Term 4

Monday 10 October – 12 noon Thursday 15 December

## 2016 Public Holidays

**Monday 6 June**

Queens Birthday

**Monday 24 October**

Labour Day

**Friday 11 November**

Show Day



# Community NoticeBoard



**Hillmorton High School** is having an Open Night on Tuesday 24 May from 7 - 9 pm. It is an opportunity for interested families to visit the school and meet our staff and students.

The **Mental Health and Nutrition Research Group at the University of Canterbury** is currently recruiting participants for exciting world-leading research into the effect of vitamins and nutrients on mental health. We have three Christchurch-based trials running: Child ADHD Study: 7-12 year old boys and girls with ADHD symptoms ADHD Control Study: Typically-developing 7-12 year old boys without ADHD PMS Study: Females aged 18+ with premenstrual symptoms. To find out more, please visit [bit.ly.com/UCnutritionresearch](http://bit.ly.com/UCnutritionresearch), email [mhanrg@gmail.com](mailto:mhanrg@gmail.com) or call the lab on (03) 364 2987 ext 7705 or <https://facebook.com/mentalhealthandnutrition/>

It's not too late to join in the fun! The **Halswell Hornets** 8 years rugby league team is looking for some extra players aged 7 or 8 years old to join our team (to be eligible to join the team a child must not turn 9 prior to and including 31 December 2016). We are a recently formed team having played two games together. Many of the team members are new to rugby league and to the club. We have a great set of kids, parents and a wonderful coach and assistant coach. We practise every Wednesday evening at Halswell Domain and the majority of games are played at Canterbury Agricultural Park. Please get in contact with the team manager Kiriana 027 7733-124 if your child is interested in joining the team or if you would like further information.  
<https://hornets.co.nz/> <https://www.facebook.com/HalswellHornetsRugbyLeague/>

**Porse Approved Educator** – Mel Stent is a local Porse in-home childcare provider and has vacancies at this time. Please phone the Christchurch office on 338 4987 for more information.

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## AWESOME AUTUMN SPORTS

Basketball – Football – Ripra Rugby – Netball

### WHERE

**HOON HAY and OLA Schools**

Meet on the Hoon Hay school field

### WHO

Year 0 - 4 boys and girls

### WHEN

**MONDAYS, 9 May - 20 June** 3:10pm - 4:10pm

### INFO

Let the awesome coaches teach your children how to play like their favourite sports stars. This is a great programme to try new sports, improve skills, confidence and fitness and have heaps of fun.

### COST

**Only \$60**

Earlybird rate \$55 if you pay in full by Wed 4<sup>th</sup> May - Please use the code 'earlybird' to receive the discount

### ENROL

[www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) Click on 'Events' and search for Christchurch South-West region.

OR contact Ross – [chch@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:chch@kellysports.co.nz) or 020 4064 4859

## ST THOMAS of CANTERBURY COLLEGE

KO TE KARETI WAITAHA O HATO TAMATI

69 Middlepark Road, Upper Riccarton, Christchurch  
Telephone (03) 348 7010 [www.stc.school.nz](http://www.stc.school.nz)



## OPEN MORNING

Tuesday 10 May @ 9:00am – 11:30am

Meet the staff and students and see the college in action.

- Tour of the college: 9:00am - 10:15am
- Principal and Head Boy welcome: 10:15am, followed by morning tea.

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Enrolment enquiries email: [ees@stc.school.nz](mailto:ees@stc.school.nz) or phone Elmarie Els,  
Principal's PA (03) 348 7010, extension 701





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**SCHOOL  
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### What is a school board of trustees?

Every state and state-integrated school in New Zealand has a board of trustees.

School board membership includes elected parent representatives, an elected staff representative and the principal. If the school has students above year 9, the board also includes a student representative.

### What do trustees do?

First and foremost a board is accountable for student progress and achievement to its parents and community. The board has the overall responsibility for the school. This includes legal obligations covering curriculum, property, personnel, finance and health and safety.

Here are some specific things the board does:

- Sets the strategic direction and long-term plans for the school and monitors the board's progress against them.
- Monitors and evaluates student progress and achievement.
- Oversees the management of staff, property, finances, curriculum and administration.
- Ensures that the educational needs and aspirations of Māori learners, Pasifika learners and learners with special education needs are identified, planned for and met.
- Fulfils the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage.
- Appoints and supports the principal and assesses their performance.

### What skills do trustees need?

Trustees are active leaders in their schools and need to work well in a team, ask challenging questions and have good communications skills. Boards need a balance of skills and experiences to ensure effective processes for planning, monitoring, reporting and reviewing the school's performance are in place.

Check out [www.nzsta.org.nz/trustee-elections/what-is-a-trustee/](http://www.nzsta.org.nz/trustee-elections/what-is-a-trustee/) for more information regarding trusteeship.

### Who can become a trustee?

Parents, caregivers and people from the wider community can be nominated for election to a school board. Your school will be happy to help you find out more about standing for election or nominating someone else.

### How is a board elected?

The school staff and parents elect boards of trustees every three years.

All parents of students who are enrolled full-time in a state or state-integrated school can and should vote in the elections for parent representatives.

### What help do school trustees get?

New Zealand School Trustees Association, through a Ministry of Education contract, provides free advice and support. They also fund a variety of professional development opportunities for trustees.

Your local Ministry of Education office also support and resource professional learning opportunities and guidance to boards

### NZSTA ELECTION ADVICE

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[www.nzsta.org.nz](http://www.nzsta.org.nz)



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**Becoming a school trustee could be one of the most rewarding roles you have.**

Being a school trustee is an important role that needs people with a range of skills and experiences, who believe in making a positive difference to our children's learning. Step forward and nominate yourself or someone you know by filling out a nomination form available from your school.

Learn more at [www.trustee-election.co.nz](http://www.trustee-election.co.nz)

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