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Kia ora whānau

We like to think that our children are safe in our community, however, recent events would suggest that we can't take this for granted. In the weekend a 14 year old girl was grabbed in the grounds of OLA and there have been reports of a suspicious male approaching Cashmere Primary students. The police are investigating both incidences. It is timely to talk with your child about keeping safe on the way to and from school and also in the weekends. Role playing different scenarios can be helpful. For example, what would you do if you were walking to school or the park or the dairy and a car

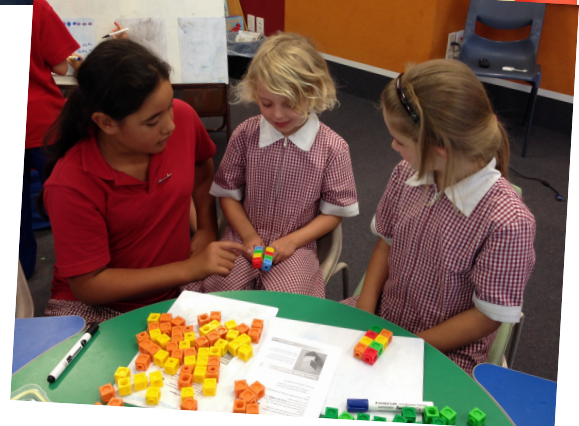
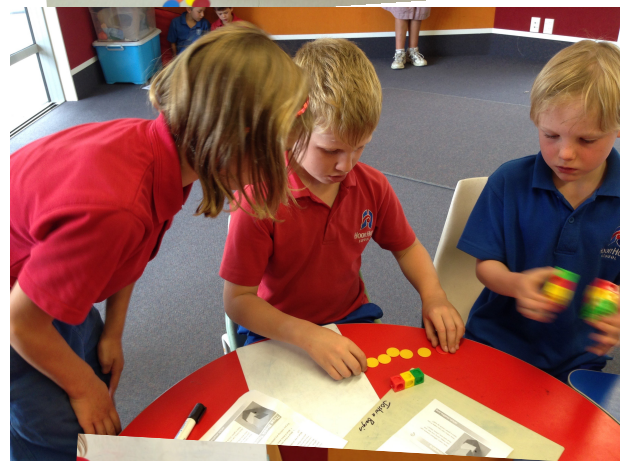
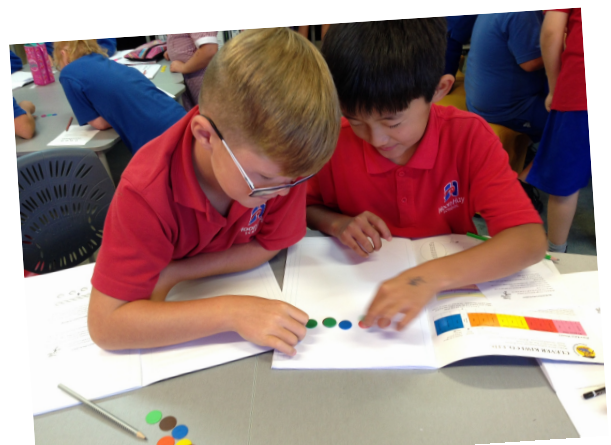
stopped and offered you a ride? What does suspicious behaviour look like? These sorts of questions can start conversations that help you to coach your children through what they could do. You know your child best, so obviously do this in a way that doesn't alarm your child. Sadly, the instances of schools being threatened and school children being targets seems to be happening too frequently and too close to home for our liking.

On a more positive note we are thrilled with your children! They are delight to be around and a delight to observe. They are friendly, helpful and have a genuine desire and enthusiasm for learning. Take a look at these photos of maths club - it says it all! Please also remember the Maths Parent Evening, Thursday 10th March (more information on page 9) - we would love to see you there!

Ko te Tamaiti te Pūtake o te Kaupapa - The Child is the Heart of the Matter.

Have a fabulous weekend!

Lee





A huge welcome to:

Nathan M, Austin O'N,
Ruby C, Niko M, Taine J &
Elsie B!



principals Awards



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

Harry W, Liam R, Jonty T, ESSy S, Emma H,
Lachie E, Shae D, Skye G, Emma C, George H
& Connor C.

Birthdays!

Gabe T, Serena P, Tylah F, Lachlan C, Aria G, Hannah D,
Finley M, Charlotte N, Ruby A, Neveah H-W, Chloe P,
Essie S, Lucas R, Harry L, Faith
D, Renan R-C, Kyle S, Matthew T,
Ryan T, Keahn D & Willow E!



Earthquake Memorial Gathering

On Monday 22 February, Hoon Hay School and Our Lady of the Assumption Schools joined together at our memorial tree to reflect and remember five years on from the quake that claimed many lives.

A special **thank you** to Kamaioha P-O and Olivia H for leading Hoon Hay.

**Anō ko te marama
kua ngaro,
kua ara anō.**

Just like the moon that
disappears and
rises again, so to will
the events of adversity and
triumph greet us in
life's journey.



The Mighty Minnows head out

On the 19th of February the Mighty Minnows had their fabulous Mix and Mingle at Hoon Hay Park.

Whānau were welcomed along to this event and helped make this a memorable day that was filled with much anticipation and excitement.

The Mighty Minnows were able to spend their time on the incredible play areas, enjoy a sausage sizzle, participate in the mighty tug of war and learn about fire safety when the fantastic firemen with their fire truck came to join in the fun. It was a day to remember!



MINIBALL - Year 4

The smiles on their faces say it all.



Our 2 Hoon Hay minball teams have had a great start to the season, in the very competitive competition down at Pioneer on Wednesday evenings. Draw times can be found on the school website sports page. This is our Hoon Hay Hotshots in the Blue shirts – and the Hoon Hay Lakers in the red shirts (missing Paddy G).

RUGBY COACH

We are looking for a rugby coach to take one of our Year 5/ 6 rugby teams this winter. If you have rugby knowledge and time to offer the school, we would love to hear from you - michelle.m@hoonhay.school.nz. You would need to be available on Friday afternoons from 12pm- 3pm to travel with the team along with Miss Hansen's team to Hagley Park by bus. Plus take a training session with the team once a week. The children and coaches have a great time competing down at Hagley. The season runs from 20th May - 26th August (no games in July school holidays). To coach/ref rugby you are required to hold a valid rugby smarts ticket for 2016. There are free rugby smarts courses available to attend in May which we can arrange if needed. **Please email Michelle if you can help us out - Many thanks.**



CHRISTCHURCH CITY TO SURF - SUNDAY 20TH MARCH

If you or your child would like to enter the City to Surf you can do this via our school office at a DISCOUNTED rate of \$15 (normally \$20). Entries close 8th March. As a school we are just collecting entries & issuing race packs prior to the event. It is up to you to organise yourself /child on the day of the event.

Waipara Adventure Camp

Are you interested in your Year 5 or 6 child attending a free camp at the Waipara Adventure Centre? The camp runs between 18 - 22 of April (school holidays), and is organised by the Christchurch Children's Holiday Camp Trust. If you would like more information, or to apply for a place, please contact Emma Worsfold in the school office or by email - emma.w@hoonhay.school.nz



Mighty Minnows enjoy Swimming this week

Pirates and Scuba Divers wait to go swimming!



Mufti Day for Plunket - Wednesday 9th

The Bear Hug Appeal is Plunket's largest fundraising initiative of the year. It is the one time where the whole country takes part in raising vital funds, and awareness, for Plunket in our communities.

Funds raised locally stay within this community and help pay for upkeep of and improvements to Plunket's local clinic facilities (at Centaurus Rd, Conway St & McCarthy St), plus our many volunteer-driven community services, including our quarterly newsletter.



So please bring support our Mufti Day and bring a Gold Coin to support Plunket on Wednesday 9th March.

If you'd like to make a donation online (and have a receipt emailed to you), go to <https://plunkethero.orgnz/page/southchristchurch>

Thank you so much for your support!



what else are we great at?

Well done to George M for awesome BMX Racing! He was placed 7th at the Canterbury Champs over the weekend. He raced in 9 races including the final at the North Avon BMX Track.

What's coming up!



Calendar Dates

MARCH

- 09 Mufti Day – Gold Coin Donations, Plunket Fundraiser
- 10 21st Century Maths – Parent Evening – 7pm – 8pm
- 11 Full School Assembly – 9am School Hall
- 15 South West Zone Swimming - Wharanui Pool
- 18 New & Prospective Parents Meeting 9.30am
Secondhand Uniform Sale – 2.30pm
- 21 Whānau Tea Meeting – Māori Student Achievement– 6.00 pm
- 24 Sausage Sizzle - \$2 to be paid at the hall before school
- 25 Good Friday – school closed
- 28 Easter Monday – School closed
- 29 Easter Tuesday – School closed
- 30 PTA Meeting – 7.30pm

APRIL

- 01 Secondhand Uniform Sale – 2.30pm
- 04 New Entrants Parent InformEvening – 7.00pm
- 05 School Cross Country – Halswell Quarry
- 07 Central Swimming
- 07 Board of Trustees Meeting – 7pm
- 08 Full School Assembly
- 11 Museum Visit – Rooms 8 & 10
- 12 Museum Visit – Rooms 7 & 11
Top Team Challenge – Team Totara
- 14 Museum Visit – Rooms 9 & 12
- 15 Last day of Term 1

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

24 March Sausage Sizzle!



2016 School Terms

Term 1

Monday 01 February – Friday 15 April

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

Friday March

Good Friday

Monday 28 March

Easter Monday

Tuesday 29 March

Easter Tuesday

Monday 25 April

ANZAC Day

Monday 6 June

Queens Birthday

Monday 24 October

Labour Day

Friday 11 November

Show Day



What's Happening in Maths Today?

The way your children are learning maths probably seems quite different than the way you learnt maths.

We'd love you to come and join us so we can share **how**, and **why**, maths teaching and learning looks and sounds different.

Find out

- what's happening with maths,
- talk with others,
- ask questions,
- and get some helpful tips for how you can help your child at home so that you can learn together!



**So, please put these details
into your calendar!**

What: *Maths Parent Evening*
Where: *Room 1, Hoon Hay School*
When: *7 pm, Thursday 10 March*

We'd love to know if you're coming -
office@hoonhay.school.nz



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**RSVP
Now!**

We invite you to attend the

Whānau Meeting

On

Monday 21 March 2016

6.00 pm, Hoon Hay School Staffroom

Come along and hear about Māori
Achievement at Hoon Hay.

Kai provided, along with supervision for your children.

EVERYONE WELCOME

Please **RSVP** to office@hoonhay.school.nz
for catering purposes.



Community News!

Suburbs Club are putting together TWO SATURDAY MORNING RUGBY TEAM's that plan to have practices at West Spreydon School. Open to all. Games start April 2nd (in 5 weeks). Subs are \$60.

We are looking for boys and girls that are:

1. Under 9 children at the start of the year, or under 10's and under 38kg. Training Fridays After school. Contact Duane Major 021546444
2. Under 8 children at the start of the year and/or under 35kgs. Training Wednesday or Thursday's after school. Contact Scott Bowie 0272750839

CASHMERE NETBALL CLUB - Registrations are now open on our website. We are a family friendly club and welcome players of all ages and abilities. If you would like to coach, umpire or manage a team please contact us directly. We are able to provide training to those interested. Our trials commence Sunday 6th of March at 9am. For more information please go to our website, www.sporty.co.nz/cashmerenc Facebook page or email cashmerenetball@hotmail.com.

AIR FORCE MUSEUM Holiday Programme We've got you covered. Don't stand out. Become truly invisible. We'll make it disappear. We're so good at this, you won't know we're there. Join us for the Air Force Museum's April OSCAR-endorsed school holiday programme.

'Hiding in Plain Sight' - 18-29 April 2016. Ages: 5 -12 years. Cost: \$38 per day, Full week: \$175
Hours: Half day 8.30am – 12.30 noon, Full day 8.30am – 3.00pm. Bookings Essential: Please contact us on 03 343 9504 or email programmes@airforcemuseum.co.nz.

Christchurch United Football Club - Registration is now open for the 2016 season. For more information and to register please go to www.christchurchunited.co.nz/join-us/ First Kicks (ages 4-6) \$50, Fun Football (ages 7 and 8) \$90, Mini Football (ages 9-11) \$105, Youth Football (ages 12-19) \$115.



Found – Is this leapfrog stylus yours? If so, please come to the school office.

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