

## School Calendar 2017

11 Apr	Crazy Hair Day organised by Student Council, gold coin fundraiser for Relief Aid, Schools for Syria
13 Apr	Whole school learning celebration - whānau welcome! 9 10 am in the school Hall
13 Apr	Term 1 ends at 3 pm - Thursday
1 May	Term 2 starts
5 May	Whole school learning celebration - whānau welcome! 9 10 am in the school Hall
9 May	PTA meeting - 3 15 pm in the library
11 May	School closes at 2 pm. Students to be collected at 2 pm.
11 May	Collaboration in the Classrooms - evening presentation for parents and whānau at approx 6 pm or 7 pm, TBC. Further details will be sent home in Week 1 of next term.
12 May	Teacher-only day, for staff professional development - school closed
23 May	NE Zone cross-country for those qualifying: Halswell Quarry
23 May	Board meeting - 6 pm in staffroom
26 May	Whole school learning celebration - whānau welcome! 9 10 am in the school Hall
6 June	School photographs - class and individual; purchase is optional
16 June	Whole school learning celebration - whānau welcome! 9 10 am in the school Hall
27 June	Board meeting - 6 pm in staffroom
7 July	Whole school learning celebration - whānau welcome! 9 10 am in the school Hall
7 July	Term 2 ends at 3 pm
24 July	Term 3 starts
2 Aug	Strum Strike Blow - school participation to be confirmed
14-18 Aug	Cultural Festival week - date/time to be confirmed
30 Aug-5 Sep	Life Education - contribution to cost \$5 met by payment of term's Activity contribution - please pay online or in Office
29 Sept	Term 3 ends at 3 pm
16 Oct	Term 4 starts
15 Dec	Term 4 ends (to be confirmed)

### Music lessons

Your child may have expressed an interest in taking in-school music lessons - Years 3 and 4: recorder, and Years 5 - 8: ukulele and marimba. He/she would have been given a form to complete and return to the class teacher; please ensure this is returned by Friday 7 April 2017. Please note that we have limited spaces for the lessons, so some students may go onto a waiting list. Thank you to the **Christchurch School of Music** for their contribution to funding of these lessons.

### Activity Contribution and Stationery payments

To whānau who have set up regular payments through automatic payment or internet banking, or approached a support agency to help with payments - thank you!

To those who have paid the school account in full - a prize draw will be held at the end of this term, with three family prizes to be won!

## Vision/Purpose Statement

A Vibrant Inspirational Learning Community  
in the Heart of the City

### Our Values

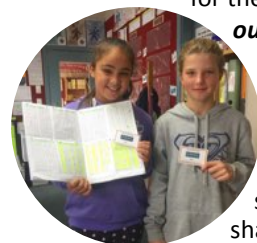
Excellence	Equity	Integrity	Sense of Community
Te Hiranga	Te Ririte	Ngākau Pono	Nohonga Tahitanga

### Strategic Goals

- Teaching and Learning** - To provide great teaching and learning opportunities with strong links to our curriculum and the wider community
- Relationships** - To be characterised by positive relationships within and beyond the school, based on our school values and restorative approach
- Environment** - To work towards site development, meeting the current and future needs of students, staff, parents and community

Kia ora, everyone

As we move into the final two weeks of term, we have much to celebrate across the whole school; highlights include our two week swimming programme at Aquagym, and our school cross-country last week. Thank you to those families who came to support our athletes, and special congratulations to our students who have represented the school at Zone and Canterbury level competition this term. We have had an action-packed term of learning focused on a **school-wide theme of Growing**. Our teachers are busy reviewing the current term and making plans for the term ahead, when we launch **Expanding our Horizons**.



Over the past fortnight many of the visitors to the Principal's Office have been students keen to share how they have

been **Living the Values** and



displaying the

**C+O+O+L Factor**

through classroom and team programmes.



We have had our termly draw for a few lucky students to have **Picnic with the Principal**; always great opportunities to connect with students over shared kai.

A number of students have had learning experiences away from the school environment, and have shared them with me. Last week, Theo shared with me the journal he created on his recent trip to Asia. I really value these conversations, so please don't hesitate to encourage your child/ren to come and share with me something exciting that is happening for them out of school.

This term our staff has continued to progress with developments around collaborative teaching, and it is impressive to see the different ways in which collaborative teaching is used to make our **Plan for Learning** come alive across the school. Next term we have arranged for a specialist advisor to come to the school on 11 and 12 May. This is a great opportunity for our staff to have some specific professional development, and for us to hold a **community**



**information evening, to share more about our approach and rationale behind the move towards increased collaboration.**

Please note the dates and information in the **calendar section of the newsletter** so you can make the necessary arrangements to support this hui.



A reminder that our **PTA has a follow-up meeting** to the recent Annual General Meeting. This meeting is final call for parents to be involved in this group - this group needs your support! Mark 9 May in your diary.

Thank you all for your continued support of our **Vibrant and Inspirational School in the HEART of the City**; I wish you a safe and relaxing holiday with your whānau.

Ngā mihi nui

Mike, Principal

## Community notices

Further information may be available from the school Office or on the Hall noticeboard. We anticipate that all community groups advertising in this newsletter will be following best practice guidelines.

### **Shirley Boys' High School: Parent information Evenings:**

8 - 11 May 2017 at 6 - 7 30 pm; **Community Open Night:**

25 May 2017 at 6 30 pm - 8 30 pm; **CV Gallagher Trust**

**Scholarship Exam:** 8 June 2017 at 1 - 3 pm. Enquiries:

phone (03) 375 7057 or e-mail [office@shirley.school.nz](mailto:office@shirley.school.nz)

**SURFKIDS Children's Surfing Programme:** Learn the skills of surfing in a fun, safe environment. All equipment provided and professional instruction from Aaron Lock and team, for 8 - 14 years at Sumner.

Sundays 10 am to 12 noon until 30 April. School holidays: 18 - 21 April, 24 - 28 April, 10am - 12 noon. Cost \$30 per day or \$135 for five. Bookings essential.

Call Aaron on 0800 80 SURF (7873) or register online at [www.surfcoach.co.nz](http://www.surfcoach.co.nz)

### **YMCA After-School Recreation Programmes Term 2:**

Enrol now! We cater for all ages and abilities, during school term time. **Miniball and Basketball:** Get your child involved and see them develop skills, friendships and a team spirit while also staying fit and healthy. **Gymnastics and Dance:** Both programmes are designed to help children develop their motor skills, confidence, balance and body awareness.

All programmes are \$95 a term. To enrol, pop in and see us at 13a Bishopdale Court, Bishopdale Mall, or for further information and online booking, go to

[www.ymcachch.org.nz/children/recreation/](http://www.ymcachch.org.nz/children/recreation/)

**Aquagym:** Learn to Swim and coaching at 459 Cashel

Street, Central City. Book now for the April holiday

programme and Term 2 classes. Phone: (03) 381 0299.

**School for Young Writers:** Saturday morning classes, 10

am - 12 noon, for Years 4 - 13, at Hagley College. To

register for Term 2: [www.schoolforyoungwriters.org](http://www.schoolforyoungwriters.org)

**Lost property:** will be displayed on the verandah outside Room 8 next week - on Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 April 2017. Please remind your child/ren to check there for any of their items that have been misplaced during the term. Items not collected by the end of term will be donated to charity.

## News from Team Harakeke ...



Team Harakeke thoroughly enjoyed participating in cross-country this year, which was held last Wednesday.

For the Year 3s, this was their first time running around the block outside the school grounds, and for the Year 5s, the first time running it twice!

Despite the light rain, everyone had a fantastic, positive attitude. They enjoyed watching and supporting Team Koru, and cheering on Team Kauri as the Year 7/8s took on three trips around the block.

We are so proud of everyone's effort as they all showed the Self-Managing Learner Quality with their 'Can Do' attitudes.



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### 5 April 2017

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