

School Calendar 2017

- 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 6 pm.**
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
2 Jun - 18 Aug Years 5 - 8 Winter Sport at Rawhiti Domain - contribution to cost \$40 met by payment of term's Activity contribution - please pay online or in Office
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
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
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
20 Sep Kids for Kids Choir performance
29 Sept Term 3 ends at 3 pm
16 Oct Term 4 starts
15 Dec Term 4 ends (to be confirmed)

Activity Contribution and Stationery payments

Thank you to those families who paid their Activity Contribution and Stationery. The winners of the prize draw were: the Mitchell family, the Bae family and the Yates family. We're sure you enjoyed playing with the prizes over the holidays.



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

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

Kia ora, everyone



Welcome back to Term 2 - we're off to an amazing start! It has been exciting to see the way in which classroom and team programmes have started this term, with our school-wide focus of **Extending Our Horizons** as part of our **Growth theme** for 2017. As I have been visiting the classrooms across the school it is clearly evident that the work which staff have put in over the holiday period is really paying off. The participating students are really enjoying the wide variety of opportunities staff are coordinating across the school, including music lesson and other cultural experiences, such as Kapa Haka.

This term we will continue to build on our progress with **collaborative teaching developments** across the school. Staff are really excited to have Mark Osborne here on Thursday and Friday to work with us on our next steps. A big thank you to all of our parents and whānau for supporting this to happen, with both the 2 pm closure this Thursday and the teacher-only day on Friday. We also look forward to seeing you all at the Mark's **community presentation here on Thursday night - Collaboration in the Classroom** - please RSVP to the school Office.

Last term I mentioned that parking outside the school was creating concerns for **student safety**. Thank you to everyone for your support, when in the first week of this term roadworks provided additional challenges and frustrations; the proactive approach by parents and whānau really helped us as a school at that time. I am continuing to work with Christchurch City Council staff to develop some long-term solutions to this ongoing concern and I look forward to sharing future strategies.

Yesterday, our PTA had an informal get-together to plan for an Annual General Meeting. A big thank you to Andy Bean who has stepped up to facilitate these meetings, after Mel Clease left last term. The **PTA will be scheduling an AGM** in the next couple of weeks, so please look out for communication around the date; it's a great opportunity to be involved in this group.

Thank you all for your continued support of our **Vibrant and Inspirational School in the HEART of the City**; I look forward to catching up with you around the school.

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.

Audition call for a Kidsfest production of The Jungle Book: Sun 14 May at St Albans Community Centre, 1047 Colombo Street, for performances on 16 - 22 July 2017. For further information: call Fay on 201 043 1108.

Avonside Girls' High School Open Evening: Thursday 25 May 2017, 5 - 7 pm, commencing in the gymnasium at 5 pm.

Prospectus and enrolment forms will be available at open night.

Shirley Boys' High School Open Evening: Thursday 25 May 2017, 6 30 - 8 30 pm, commencing in the Assembly Hall (North Parade) at 6 30 pm.

Kidsfirst Kindergartens Linwood: spaces available now - up to 30 hours free. We have vacancies for children aged 3 years and over. Fully trained and registered Teachers. Pop in for a visit or telephone to talk about when your child could start. 24 Rochester Street, Linwood: phone (03) 389 9772.

World Fair Trade Day: Sat 13 May 2017: at Christchurch Trade Aid, The Container Mall Central City, 11 am - 4 pm. In-store tastings, face painting, guess the beans in the jar competition ... and Craft event for ages 5 - 12, at Central Library Peterborough, 91 Peterborough Street on the same day.

Kelly Sports at Christchurch East School in Term 2: Our Fundamental Skills - Winter Warmers - programme offers the opportunity for Years 1 - 4 children to develop and enhance their key fundamental skills through a variety of different sports this term. Operates on a Tuesday after school, 3 10 - 4 10 pm, on Christchurch East School grounds. For more information or to book, please visit our website www.kellysports.co.nz or contact Sam Holland on 027 724 8834 or chchnorth@kellysports.co.nz

Dyspraxia Support Group: holds fun groups for children aged between 5 to 13 years of age on Saturday afternoons during term time. The groups participate in a programme put together and delivered by a team of enthusiastic supervisors.

If you have a child or know a child with Developmental Dyspraxia/DCD who would be interested in attending, please contact Sue on 358 3249 or email dyspraxia.centre@xtra.co.nz.

Sound of Music auditions for upcoming nationwide tour in Sept and Oct: on Saturday 20 May at the Isaac Theatre Royal's Gloucester Room. They are looking for two teams of children to play the youngest six von Trapp children: Gretl, Marta, Brigitta, Kurt, Louisa and Friedrich. The children will be paid for their roles as it is a fully professional production, produced by Ben McDonald Ltd, and under the direction of former Shortland St star Geraldine Brophy. Children must be at least 10 years of age, and be able to sing, dance and act. Boys must have unbroken voices to be able to sing in the required vocal range and can be of any nationality or ethnicity. Apply for your audition time by emailing: benmcdonaldassistant@gmail.com Wear: comfortable clothes and shoes that you can move in. No stage make-up.

News from Team Kauri ...



Team Kauri has an exciting term ahead, with many opportunities for students to extend themselves inside and outside the classroom. During the first four weeks of Term 2 we are very fortunate to have four **music lessons** donated to us by a member of the community for each class. These are provided by Roanna and Maganui, from the Christchurch School of Music. For our first and second lessons we have been focusing on percussion instruments within an African influence.

While our Year 7 and 8s are at Technology, the Year 6s are trying their hand out at technology using the **design review process** with Miss Jer and Miss Shierlaw. This term they need to design a biscuit from start to finish, including marketing research, packaging and producing their own biscuit towards a targeted audience.

Winter sport starts

in Week 5, and runs for ten weeks. The students will find out their sports next week and start practicing. It would be great to see some parents supporting on the sidelines. If you would like to watch your child compete, come down on Friday afternoons from 12 30 - 2 10 pm to Rawhiti Domain, New Brighton. For complete draws visit <http://www.easterncommunity.co.nz/programme/rcsi-sport-cluster/> from 2 June onwards.



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