

School Calendar 2017

6-17 Mar	School swimming at Aquagym daily, travelling by bus. Contribution to cost met by payment of Activity contribution \$60
24 Mar	Whole school learning celebration - whānau welcome! 9 10 am in the school Hall
28 Mar	PTA AGM in the school library at 3 pm - all welcome!
29 Mar	School cross-country at school - postponement date 12 April
4 Apr	Board meeting - 6 pm in staffroom
3-7 Apr	Outdoor education - Team Kauri. Contribution to cost \$55, which has been invoiced.
12 April	School cross-country postponement date
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
23 May	Board meeting - 6 pm in staffroom
6 June	School photographs - class and individual; purchase is optional
27 June	Board meeting - 6 pm in staffroom
7 July	Term 2 ends at 3 pm
24 July	Term 3 starts
2 Aug	Strum Strike Blow concert
30 Aug-5 Sep	Life Education - contribution to cost met by payment of Activity contribution \$5.00
29 Sept	Term 3 ends at 3 pm
16 Oct	Term 4 starts
15 Dec	Term 4 ends (to be confirmed)

There is also scheduled a Teacher-only day during the year.

Education Outside the Classroom consent forms

Your child will bring home an updated Parent Consent for EOTC Activities form this week. Please ensure this **consent is signed and returned to the school office**, to enable your child/ren to continue to participate. For further information, see our SchoolDocs policies on our website, or speak to your child's class teacher.

Student accounts

Reminder: retain your receipts - tax on the school donation, Activity Contribution and Outdoor Education can be reclaimed from Inland Revenue at the end of the tax year (31 March).

Prize Draw: Pay your child's stationery account and activity contribution in full by the end of Term 1 2017 to go into the draw for one of several **mystery prizes**. One entry per student. Winners to be announced at the beginning of Term 2.

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

During this action-packed term, the recent **PTA Welcome Back picnic** was a great opportunity for our school community to reconnect at the start of the year and was greatly enjoyed by all who attended. The **Artspiration Gallery** was a successful inclusion on the evening, showcasing some of the amazing talent of our students and staff. A big thanks to our PTA team and staff for all of their work in organising and promoting the event.

Last Friday we had our first **Whānau Groups** session of the year – an opportunity for our students to meet in a smaller group of students from across the school, with another member of staff. These sessions are planned to support a Sense of Community across the school and provide



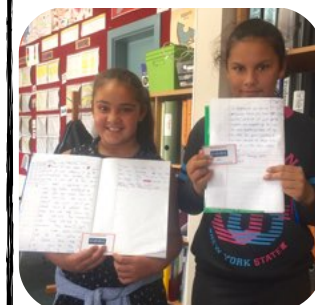
opportunities for students to input into current and future developments around the school.

On Monday, we welcomed those from the Duffy Books in Homes programme for a special **Duffy Theatre** production, which integrates with our school programme to promote reading with our students, both at school and home.



This week we started a fortnight of the **annual swimming programme**; it was great to visit Aquagym to see the children enjoying their lessons. A big thank you to our parents for the prompt payment of your activity contribution, which enables the school to continue providing this opportunity to our students.

Our staff continues to provide many other opportunities for our students to **Live the Values** and display the **C+O+O+L Factor** through classroom and team programmes.



Thank you all for your continued support of our **Vibrant and Inspirational School in the HEART of the City**.

Ngā mihi nui
Mike
Principal

Community notices

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

Squash Junior Open Day: Sunday 26 March 1pm – 3pm; all ages welcome at Christchurch Squash Club, 182 Chester Street East.

- You do not have to have played before
- It is FREE and we provide all the gear you need
- Half price junior memberships on the day - only \$45

To register, contact Tim on tmcvie@hotmail.com or 027 688 0574

CCC: The first Life in Christchurch survey for the year is now online. This year the survey has been split into four smaller ones:

- Central City
- Transport
- Neighbourhoods and Communities
- Natural Environment

The survey can be found at www.ccc.govt.nz/chchlife It will be open for feedback until the 31 March 2017.

Sport Canterbury: school holidays are fast approaching! Join us for a week of action-packed fun and adventure, with plenty of sport, onsite activities, and outings.

Check out the programme details for each venue or **Register online now:** www.sportcanterbury.org.nz

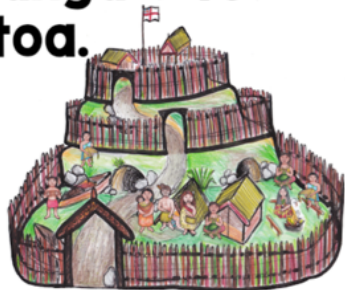
Casual evening work available: Pegasus Health is seeking casual staff to assist with education events/seminars. Suited to parents looking for additional income and who are able to work one or two evenings a week. Contact Lee Smith on (03) 353 9948 or e-mail lee.smith@pegasus.org.nz

Whakataukī 2017

At Christchurch East School, our school-wide whakataukī (Māori proverb) guides our learning for the term or the year. This year our whakataukī promotes collaboration, and reflects the importance of working together to achieve a common goal. Ask your children about this when you discuss their learning.

Me mahi tahi tātou mō te oranga o te katoa.

We should
work together
for the
wellbeing of
everyone



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News from Team Kauri ...

Each Thursday afternoon, our Year 7 and 8 students in Team



Kauri are involved in Technology classes. Students take part in Food Nutrition and Creative Design classes in Fabric, Wood, Metal, and Multi-Material technology. These classes are a great

opportunity for students to learn practical skills and get involved in a wider range of hands-on learning experiences. All of



our students are enjoying the technology classes this year and it is great to see them so excited about this aspect of their learning.



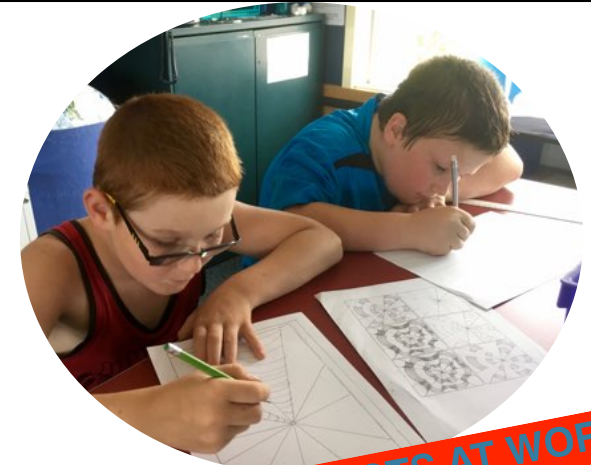
While our Year 7 and 8 students are at technology, our Year 6 students combine together after lunch on a Thursday to work on a printmaking unit led by Mr White and Miss Shierlaw.



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ARTISTS AT WORK