

## School Calendar 2016 and 2017

- 7 Dec Canterbury Athletics Finals in Ashburton - selected students
- 7 Dec Three-way Learning Conferences 2 00 pm - 7 30 pm; **whānau to book 15 minute appointment** at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) booking code: nghmf **Classes finish at 2 pm.** Call in to the school Office to make a booking if you do not have internet access.
- 8 Dec Three-way Learning Conferences 3 15 pm - 5 30 pm; **whānau to book 15 minute appointment** at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) booking code: nghmf Call in to the school Office to make a booking if you do not have internet access.
- 13 Dec Year 8 event and dinner - cost met by school
- 14 Dec End of Year Learning Celebration - whānau most welcome! To be held in the school Hall at 11 am. School finishes at 3 pm.
- 15 Dec Whole School picnic - 10 am - 2 pm - cost met by activity contribution - held at school. Lunch at 12 noon - please join us! School finishes at 3 pm.
- 16 Dec Under the Walnut Tree - final farewell at 2 30 pm
- 16 Dec Term 4 ends



*Thank you to whānau who took time to celebrate their children's achievements in Learning Links this year*

### 2017

- 30/31 Jan Initial Personal Learning Plan meetings: all whānau to book meeting time at [www.schoolinterviews.school.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.school.nz); booking code to be advised
- 1 Feb Classes start at 8 55 am
- 6 Feb Waitangi Day - public holiday
- 13 Apr Term 1 ends

## 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

Wow! What an amazing last term we are having to finish off another great year - it's hard to believe that we have only two and a half weeks before the students leave for the Christmas holidays.

Last night the focus of the Board meeting was the review of progress, and looking towards future developments. With much to celebrate, I am sure the Board will share details with you in due course. At this time of year, a major staff focus is around student achievement and progress, with lots of time going into preparation for the **Three-Way Learning Conferences** and the sharing of final reports. We look forward to your participation in this process - **please make sure you have booked your time to**

**attend** with your child(ren) on either 7 or 8 December.



As you will be aware, we have conducted a **school consultation** to obtain community feedback on the progress the school is making, and also to provide an opportunity for input into future developments. Thank you for your participation in this process.



The highlight of my week is always sharing the learning of our proud students. This term I have been impressed with the way in which the students have aimed to finish the year well, in particular, our Team Kauri students who continue to make the most of every learning opportunity until the the very end of the term and year.

At this time of the year, the school staff has a dual focus where they ensure 2016 is finished well but also begin planning for 2017 - for the learning focus and our next steps in the development of collaborative practice. We look forward to sharing more about these developments in the last weeks of the term.

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. We anticipate that all community groups advertising in this newsletter will be following best practice guidelines.

**Aquagym:** 459 Cashel Street. Learn to Swim and coaching Book now for January holidays and Term 1 lessons.

**Amped Holiday Programme:** 19-23 December, 16-20 and 23-27 January. Held at Oxford Terrace Baptist Church. 8.30-3pm (\$30/day, \$110/week). Science Alive, Margaret Mahy playground, cooking, games and much more!! WINZ subsidies available. Pop in and get an enrolment form from Kate (kate@otbc.org.nz) at Rocket at Christchurch East School or enrol online <http://oxfordterracechildren.blogspot.co.nz/p/amped-holidays.html>.

**Closure of Rocket After-School Care Programme:** Families currently utilising the after-school programme on the Christchurch East School site have been informed that Newell House Trust has decided to conclude the programme at the end of 2016. This is due to several factors including falling roll numbers and uncertainty over having space available to use at Christchurch East School. The Amped holiday programme will still run on the advertised dates over the summer break: 19-23 December, 16-20 and 23-27 January.

A local organisation offering an after-school programme is Powerzone which is run from City Elim Church at 253 Cashel St, [www.powerzonechch.org](http://www.powerzonechch.org). The OSCAR network website is also a good resource for finding information on other OSCAR programmes in Christchurch, [www.oscarnetwork.org.nz](http://www.oscarnetwork.org.nz)

**Hagley Park Tennis Club: Xmas holiday programme:** - 19-22 Dec, 9-12 noon \$30 and 1-3 pm sessions \$25; full day \$50 per day. All juniors welcome. Technique for all strokes covered through the week. 23-26 January: same program as above.

**Hot Shots in Hagley:** try out our new program Fridays 4 30 - 6 pm; includes any age juniors and BBQ from 5 30 pm. Adults encouraged to bring a racket and have a hit too. Saturdays 9 - 10 am and 1 30 - 3 30 pm. Contact Mark Belcher, Head Coach 027 498 6363 [mgbtennis@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mgbtennis@xtra.co.nz)

**Sleeping Beauty by Canterbury Ballet:** 8 and 9 December 7pm at the Isaac Theatre Royal. For tickets please contact Jaimita de Jongh on 021 0592328 or [jaimita.dejongh@gmail.com](mailto:jaimita.dejongh@gmail.com).

**Thanks to ICEcycles** for their donation of bikes to some of our students. They will have an awesome time this summer with wheels to explore the city.

**LOST PROPERTY: on the verandah next Tuesday and Wednesday - check it out!**



## News from Team Kauri ...

In Week 3 of Term 4, Team Kauri held their Athletics day. The students performed fantastically and we had some fierce competition. Well done to all these students who proudly represented Christchurch East School at the North East Zone Athletics held at Rāwhiti Domain on 15 November 2016:

9 year olds: Tristan, Arlo and Holly

10 year olds: Carlvin, Adrian, Niezel, Limah, Sophie and Gzila

11 year olds: Joseff, Jamahl, Noah B, Jamie, Diana and Skyler

12 year olds: Anthony R, Lawrence, Steil, Sean, Karla, Eva, Maddy and Dakota

Huge congratulations and good luck to the



students who placed either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> at Zones and have now qualified for the Canterbury finals on 7 December at Ashburton Domain: Limah Fualau, Maddy Cant, Eva Fenwick, Dakota Potter, Anthony Robertson, Diana Smedley, Karla Thom and Sean Tonner.



**CHRISTCHURCH EAST SCHOOL**  
**WEEK 8 TERM 4 2016**  
**30 November 2016**

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