

School Calendar

15 Mar	Whole School Learning Celebration - whānau are welcome to join us in the Hall at 9 05 am
19 Mar	NE Swimming Zones at Jellie Park (am)
29 Mar	Good Friday - school holiday
1 Apr	Easter Monday - school holiday
2 Apr	Easter Tuesday - school holiday
12 Apr	Whole School Learning Celebration - whānau are welcome to join us in the Hall at 9 05 am
16 Apr	School Cross-country, 9 am - noon
19 Apr	Term 1 ends
6 May	Term 2 starts
24 May	Winter Sports start at Hagley Park (Team Kauri) (cost met by Activity Fee: \$tbc)
3 Jun	Queen's birthday - school holiday
4 Jun	NE Zone Cross Country at Halswell Quarry (Team Kauri; postponement date: 6 June)
19 Jun	Canterbury Cross Country at Halswell Quarry (Team Kauri; postponement date: 26 June)
12 Jul	Term 2 ends
29 Jul	Term 3 starts
27 Sep	Term 3 ends
14 Oct	Term 4 starts
28 Oct	Labour Day - school holiday
12 Nov	NE Zone Athletics at Rawhiti Domain; postponement date: 14 November
4 Dec	Canterbury Athletics at Ashburton Domain
13 Dec	Term 4 ends (to be confirmed)

MEDICATION TO BE ADMINISTERED AT SCHOOL

A reminder that all medication for students must be brought to the Office by the caregiver. Carol will assist you in completing the Medication Authority Form, to allow us to administer the medication, as per your instructions. Please help us to keep all students safe - do not send your child to school with medication in his/her bag for self-medication.

Vision/Purpose Statement

A Vibrant Inspirational Learning Community
in the Heart of the City

Our Values

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

Strategic Goals

- 1 Implement the Curriculum
- 2 Raise Student Achievement
- 3 Strengthening the Learning Community

Kia ora everyone

What an amazing start we have had to both 2013 and Term 1 at Christchurch East School; it's hard to believe we are at the halfway point of the term already. It has been a busy first six weeks of school as we have been finalising our plans for the year and completing our assessments to ensure classroom programmes meet students' needs.

Thank you to the parents and whānau who attended our Artspiration evening last week. It was a great opportunity to have a Year 8 guided tour around the school to look at the art. The students and staff have produced a variety of art which will remain on display around the school.

We launched our Learning Links programme last week which is a key programme in the school in line with our school's Strategic Goals. You can find out more information about this programme from your child's classroom teacher or from the school website.



A big congratulations to our Kapa Haka group who performed at the Children's Day in Hagley Park last Sunday. It was great to see our students performing out in the community and also to have family and whānau there to support them. Please note that there is still time for students to join the Kapa Haka group for 2013; students should see either their classroom teacher or Mrs Aldridge (Room 7) if they are interested in joining.

We are also looking forward to trialling our bell system in the next fortnight. This has the ability to play music as well as bell sounds. Keep an ear out and hopefully our bell/siren sound will soon be replaced.

I have a number of photos on my phone from the start of the term which I cannot wait to share; to do this I will look to relaunch my blog for 2013 to share them with you. You can access my blog through the school website.

Have a great week everyone and I will look forward to seeing you around the school.

Regards

Mike



Two Year 6 students squeeze in a game of chess before school starts

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Further details from the school Office.

Free influenza vaccine: is being offered to all children between the ages of 6 months and 18 years. Contact your family doctor for further information; it is available from March to July.

Marian College: is holding an open evening on Thursday 14 March 2013, between 6 30 and 8 pm. This is a chance to visit classrooms and meet staff members. The Principal will speak in the hall at 7 pm and 7 30 pm. Enrolments for Year 9 close on 15 May 2013 at 3 30 pm.

Give Golf a Go at Junior Tiger Tournament: being held at Coringa Golf Club on Sunday 24 March at 8 30 am. The tournament is 9 holes or 5 holes for beginners new to golf. Age categories are: 11 and under girls and boys (playing a shortened course) and ages 12 - 14 years girls and boys. Lots of fun and great prizes to be won. Register on line at www.juniortiger.co.nz, or for more information contact Rachel Thow at Canterbury Golf 359 4000.

New Brighton Netball Club: from Future Ferns upwards. Registration on 10 March, 10 am - noon, at Rawhiti Domain netball courts, Shaw Avenue, New Brighton, and 11 March, 5 - 7 pm, at New Brighton rugby club, Rawhiti Avenue, New Brighton. newbrightonnetball@gmail.com

Avon Hockey: Trials and Registration for New Entrants - Year 7, on Sunday 10 March, 10 - 11 am at Marist Park, St Bede's. Wear sports shoes and comfortable clothing. www.avonhockey.org.nz

Amped holiday programme: will be running 29 April - 2 May in Learning Space G/H at Christchurch East School. \$100.00 for the week, 8 am-3 pm, or \$25.00 per day. 3 - 5.30 pm care available at \$12.00 per day. Visit www.otbc.org.nz for more information/registrations, or contact Emma; emma@otbc.org.nz, 0277 806 629.

French classes at Christchurch East School: Fun Languages hope to run French classes again in Term 2 if numbers permit. Phone Trish on 365 2787 or 021 133 6201 for more info and to register interest. (Charges apply.)



Our Teacher Aides have been upskilling in the use of iPads, in order to use them with ESOL students for Literacy programmes, and other small class groups.

ARTSPIRATION

Room 10 worked on Hundertwasser's Flowers as part of Artspiration. Born in Austria, he became a New Zealand citizen. Hundertwasser's Flowers were based around the use of warm and cold colours contrasting against each other; he disliked using straight lines, and loved drawing squiggles and spirals, with the latter representing growth. Hundertwasser created some public toilets in Kawakawa; now world-famous.



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