

School Calendar

27 June	Teacher-only day: school closed for instruction
1 July	Science Learning Journey; 3 - 4 pm in classes - invitations to follow
4 July	NO Winter sport at Hagley Park
4 July	Term 2 ends
21 July	Term 3 starts
25 July	Whole School Learning Celebration - all welcome - 9 10 am in the Hall
28 July	PTA meeting 3 15 pm in Community Room
15 Aug	PTA discos: 5 - 6 30 pm, and 7 - 8 30 pm Theme: Space
25 Aug	PTA meeting 3 15 pm in Community Room
22/29 Aug	Winter Sport ends at Hagley Park
1-5 Sept	Cultural Festival week
17 Sept	Film Festival iMovie Celebration - Hall - further details to follow
22 Sept	PTA meeting 3 15 pm in Community Room
24 Sept	Strum Strike Blow performance - practice during day, with evening performance at CBS
26 Sept	Term 3 ends
13 Oct	Term 4 starts
20 Oct	PTA AGM - Community Room - all welcome
27 Oct	Labour Day - school holiday
13 Nov	Teacher-only day: school closed for instruction
14 Nov	Show Day - school holiday
25 Nov	Three-Way Learning Conferences
26 Nov	Three-Way Learning Conferences
10 Dec	Final Learning Celebration - Hall - 1 pm - all welcome
11 Dec	School Picnic at the Groyes
12 Dec	Term 4 ends (to be confirmed)

After-hours school access

Please note that the main school gates are locked at 4 pm daily (except for during Three-Way Learning Conferences and other school events), and over the weekends and holidays. Access is available after hours through the pedestrian gate beside the senior student toilets. Please note that, for student safety, this entrance is not to be used by students before or after school.

Vision/Purpose Statement

A Vibrant Inspirational Learning Community
in the Heart of the City

Our Values

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

1	Implement the Curriculum
2	Raise Student Achievement
3	Strengthen the Learning Community

Kia ora, everyone

This week is a very busy one at Christchurch East School as we hold our **3-Way Learning Conferences**. These conferences are the culmination of a significant amount of work from both the students and staff and a great way to celebrate individual students' progress, and also reassess and set new goals for the remainder of the year. I hope you found the suggestions I made in my Learning Journal letter helpful with discussing your child's progress. You will also note the **revised interim report format** that the our staff has developed; we look forward to reviewing this with our school community in the near future, for feedback on the changes we have made.

I have really enjoyed seeing all of the **science experiments** that have been taking place around the school.



The **Science Fair** is going to be a real highlight next week as students take the opportunity to share their

experiments with other classes and our parent community.



This term I have started meeting with our school's **Student Council** and I am really inspired by this group of students and their commitment to positively contribute to our school. Hamza, Indio, Noah, Harsh, Santiago, Mouna, Miracle and Alexia are working on a couple of projects at the moment,



including working with the PTA on next term's disco. I look forward to seeing the Student Council's contributions to our school this year.

I am pleased to report the **Breakfast Club** is now in its third week and proving to be very successful, with 20 - 25 children attending every Monday morning; your child is welcome to come along.

This term I have been having a number of meetings with the Ministry of Education Property Team where we have discussed master planning for the **school's refurbishment**, scheduled for late 2015 to early 2016. It has also provided me the opportunity to raise a number of other issues we are hoping the MOE will address, including the school heating system and some of the bumps and holes that repair on our outside hard court areas. I look forward to reporting on our progress as decisions are made. (PTO)

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Further details from the school Office

AMPED holiday programme: 14 - 18 July at Christchurch East School. WINZ subsidies are available. Hours 8 am - 5 30 pm. Contact Emma Tovey on emma@otbc.org.nz or 0277 806 629. Forms also available from the school Office.

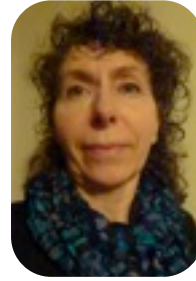
My Fair Lady at Linwood College invites you to be swept away in the classic musical **'MY FAIR LADY'** from 24 - 28 June at 7 pm. Hailed as one of the greatest musicals of all time, **MY FAIR LADY** is the timeless story of Professor Henry Higgins (played by Tyler Bartlett) the crotchety, middle-aged bachelor and phoneticist and Eliza Doolittle (played by Sammy O'Hara) the Cockney flower girl, who becomes part of his experiment in order to transform herself into a "lady". Tickets available from the school payments office - \$10 for students and \$15 for adults.

Blow your STRESS away and enjoy a better quality of life! Upcoming **Art of Living Happiness Programme:** 16 - 20 July. Art of Living's courses involve simple yet effective breathing and relaxation techniques, proven by research, which enable us to let go of stress, gain energy and enjoy huge improvements to our health and well-being. It is important to attend all five sessions: weeknights 6.30pm-9pm, and Sat & Sun 10am- 3.30pm. Spaces still available - contact Art of Living : Freephone: 0508 2786354 or email aurora.smith@artofliving.org.nz.

Nicky Wagner: MP for Christchurch Central
Let's keep working together as Christchurch moves ahead
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As you may be aware, at the end of this term we will be farewelling Deb Palmer, who leads our school office. Deb has been a vital part of the team at Christchurch East School for four years and will be greatly missed; we wish her all the best for the future. We have completed the appointment process for this position and welcome **Hanka**



Scott, who joins our school from Aranui Primary at the start next term.

We also welcome **Pene Balk-Jarvis** from



Term 3. Pene joins us as a

Resource Teacher: Literacy in the Christchurch East Cluster, following Jenny Clark's retirement earlier this term.

As you will be aware, school is closed this Friday for a

Teacher-Only Day. We have a number of opportunities our staff will be participating in on that day. I would like to thank you for your co-operation, which allows us to provide these opportunities for our staff and which ultimately benefits your children.

Finally, the Leadership Team met last week with the team from the **Education Review Office (ERO)** to discuss their emerging findings. We hope the report will be released next term and look forward to sharing this with you early in Term 3.

I trust you all have a good week and I look forward to seeing you around the school at the 3-Way Learning conferences.

Regards

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