



# Christchurch South Intermediate

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## Newsletter (Panui)

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora koutou

We hope that you and your families are well as we settle into the school year.

It was good to see so many of you at our "Team Up" Evening (meet the Teacher Evening) on 11 February. It is now time to be booking an appointment with your child's homeroom teacher and other staff you might wish to speak with regarding your child's learning at South. Our Parent Teacher interviews will be held from 14 - 18 March. You will have received information on how to book your interview/s online. These will remain open until midnight on Sunday. If you do not have access to email then please ring the office to make your booking.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to all the parents and caregivers who have supported our EOTC programme. Superb weather for most of the fortnight of challenge activities, for Year 7 students and the Year 8 camps, helped to ensure its success. We would not be able to offer such fabulous experiences to our students without your assistance. Staff members have thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed working with parents and have made many positive comments to me about the fantastic ways in which you have all supported them and the students. Thank you.

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the school duathlon recently, and for the effort you put in to produce such great results.

This was a fantastic event with over 500 children competing at our school on a very sunny day. The huge amount of support from parents, and peer support from students contributed to the great atmosphere on the day.

Congratulations also to our boys' and girls' cricket teams who won their first round of games in their respective knock-out competitions. Middleton Grange (Boys) and Hillview (Girls) were both beaten in games that were close and played in an excellent spirit. Both games were played at South which enabled lunchtime support and appreciation of the talents of players in all the teams.

The registration process for our Tuesday Winter Sport programme has closed and trials have begun this week. Students need to keep a close eye on the daily notices (these are accessible on our website so it pays to check before leaving home in the morning) for information about trials. We have reminded students to communicate with coaches before a trial if they have a clash of commitments.

After school volleyball and water polo has started. Like after school basketball, which starts in Term 2, our school teams in these competitions rely on parents to manage/coach teams. Many thanks to the parents who have taken on these roles. Our students appreciate the opportunities your involvement creates.

We have a very committed group of parents who form our very friendly and enthusiastic PTA. They have their AGM on Wednesday 16 March at 7:30pm at school. If you think you might be interested in joining this group or would like to find out more about the PTA I really encourage you to come along to the AGM.

Please note that the Easter break is not part of the end-of-term holidays this year. School is closed on Good Friday (25 March), Easter Monday (28 March) and Tuesday (29 March).

Ngā mihi nui  
Ross Hastings, Principal





Check out what's been happening and what's coming up on the PTA calendar.

Welcome to 2016 and the PTA corner. This corner will keep you informed about what's been happening, coming up & any areas of assistance the PTA is after.

## 2016 Annual General Meeting Wednesday 16 March 2016 @ 7.30pm

We would like to invite ALL parents to this meeting held in the meeting room at school (enter at Main Office door) - 204 Selwyn St, Christchurch



If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to be involved in the committee please email your apology to [chchsouthpta@gmail.com](mailto:chchsouthpta@gmail.com)  
We would love to see some new faces in 2016 to share your skills and bring your ideas to enable us to continue to support the school

### How can you help the CSIS PTA?

**Join the PTA committee** - a friendly group of parents who generally meet once a month, where you can be involved as much or as little as you want. We are more than fundraising & committee meetings. Come meet the team, learn what we do and share your skills and ideas as we plan for 2016.

**Join the PTA Helpers and let us know how you can help** - If you can't commit to being on the committee itself please think about joining our helpers list. Click on the link below if and let us know what your skills are and how you can help.

If you are interested in joining the PTA or our helpers list we'd love to hear from you <http://chchsouth.ultranet.school.nz/WebSpace/41/> or email us on [chchsouthpta@gmail.com](mailto:chchsouthpta@gmail.com)

Here are a few of the things we need help with at the moment:

- \* Creating the PTA newsletter for Terms 2 & 3
- \* Collating online bookings for Car boot sale & Children's Market & replying to online emails
- \* Distributing flyers for Car boot Sale
- \* Join the subcommittee organising Quiz Night

## Rock of Ages PTA Fundraiser - 9 to 19 March 2016

Do you love 80s rock music? (Don't be shy, we know you do!) Get a few friends together and book tickets for the New Zealand premiere of the award winning 80s rock musical Rock of Ages from 9-19 March at The Gym at the Arts Centre, you can have fun rocking



out to Pat Benetar, Whitesnake, Poison and more.  
12-15 year olds are permitted but only with an adult  
Under 12 are not permitted  
Booking and more information

<http://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=ROCKAGES16>

Enter our School Promo code **PTAcsi** when booking your tickets and \$5 will be donated to the PTA

SHARE the event from the school Facebook page Christchurch South Intermediate School  
<https://www.facebook.com/chchsouth/?fref=ts>

**Car Boot Sale + Children's Market**  
**Saturday 2 April 2016**  
**11am - 3pm**

Help us spread the word for this community event to neighbours, friends and family

\* Book a site

Children's Market (\$10)

Car Boot (\$25)

\* Come on the day and do a little shopping.

Register for site online via school website

<http://chchsouth.ultranet.school.nz/WebSpace/5243/>



**Next PTA Committee MEETINGS**  
**AGM on WEDNESDAY 16 March, 7.30pm**  
**WEDNESDAY 18 May, 7.30pm**  
**CSIS BOARDROOM(enter by Main office door)**

**Absence**

If your child is unwell, unable to attend school or late **it is essential** caregivers phone and advise the office by **pressing 1** on our telephone voicemail before 8.40am. When leaving a message please ensure that you give the office your child's name, room number and the reason for the absence. Alternatively you can email the office on [absent@chchsouth.ac.nz](mailto:absent@chchsouth.ac.nz).

It is a Ministry of Education requirement that if a child is going to be absence from school for whatever reason a parent or caregiver

must make contact with the school explaining the reason for the absence.

We ask that if you email your child's classroom teacher with regard to an absence that you also inform the office.

### **Lateness**

If your child is late to school for any reason, they are required to come to the office to sign in and receive a late pass **before** they make their way to their classroom. We thank you for your assistance in helping us to keep your children healthy and safe.

### **Leaving school during school hours**

If your child needs to leave school for any reason during school hours, would you please provide a note for the classroom teacher, which is also shown to the office staff before the student leaves school. Their name, class and time of leaving will be recorded when they sign out. If your child is returning to school they must come back through the office to sign back in.

### **Leaving School due to Illness**

If your child is unwell during school hours the procedure is for them to come to the school office and be admitted into the sick bay area. The school office will then ring the parent/caregiver if they are required to go home. **Please discourage your child from texting asking to be picked up because they are feeling unwell.**

### **Wet Day Procedure**

If the weather is cold, wet or inclement and restricts student activity the school will shorten the lunch hour by 15 minutes. School will finish at 2.45pm on such a day. To confirm that the day has been shortened telephone the school on 3322408 then press 2 as the office will leave a message on the voicemail under "school notices, early finishes and cancellations".

### **Text Alerts**

If you would like to receive text alert updates from the school there are currently two ways this can be achieved – either via a Twitter

account or a Facebook account. For instructions on how to receive the text alerts go to the Christchurch South Intermediate website under general information then text alerts.

## **Cellphones**

Below is our school's current policy on cellphones. Any home-school contact (phone call or text) is to be through the school office. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Procedure 5.06

#### 1. Cell phones

- a. Should a student bring a cell phone to school it is not to be used during the school day unless under direct supervision of a teacher when the device is used to assist learning. The basic rule is "Invisible, inaudible or in the office."
  
- b. Cell phones brought to school can be handed in to the school office for safe keeping and collected at the end of the day.
  
- c. Emergency messages for students are dealt with through the school office.

## **Naming of School Clothing**

Please ensure that **all** school clothing is clearly named this should also include school hats.

## **Concerns**

If you have any concerns about your child's welfare or any situation which is impacting on your child that you feel needs addressing please do not hesitate to contact Polly Hutchinson, Associate Principal at any time.

## **Bikes, Scooters and Skateboards**

We encourage students to build their independence by cycling, skating or scooting to school. Cycles are locked in the cycle compound and scooters and skateboards have a lock up behind Rutherford Pod. It's important that the cycle, skateboard or scooter is locked independently as the compounds are unlocked from

2:55pm to 8:50am the following morning. Any item left in overnight is at risk of being stolen. Please discuss this with your child, if they have e.g. Theatre Sports after school and their padlock isn't working, encourage them to take their wheels with them, it's not safe leaving them in an unlocked compound.

### **School Canteen**

The school canteen is located at the end of the hall opposite the library. The canteen is open every morning from 8.20am. If you wish to order your lunch please do so **before** school. Order forms are available from the office, online from our website under the Home tab, General Information tab, Canteen tab and then double clicking the Canteen Price List and Order Form or from the canteen at the School. Snacks are available at morning and lunch breaks. Please remember juices and moosies are only available at lunch break. Please be patient when coming to purchase items, remember a smile, a please and thank you make our day a happy one. *Sandra Porter– Canteen Manager*

### **Public Health Nurse Service**

Are you worried about your child's mental or physical health? We have a Public Health Nurse whom you can talk with about your child's health concerns. This is a free and confidential health service provided by the Canterbury District Health Board. The Public Health Nurse for our school is Kate Barry. She is a registered nurse who specialises in child and family health. Kate can arrange with you to meet at home, school or work to provide health support, child and family assessments, advice and coordinate any other family health or support services if required. Kate will run a free drop-in clinic for the students fortnightly at Christchurch South. Kate can be contacted through the school or by phoning the Public Health Nursing Service on 383 6877.

### **Leisure Education**

#### **What is Leisure Education?**

Each year at South, we run a Leisure Education (L.E.) programme on Tuesday afternoons during Terms 2 & 3. This is a unique opportunity for our students to participate in exciting and

challenging extra-curricular activities, many of which they may not have tried before. The children are given a chance to sign up for activities that interest them. As choices may alter term by term, we encourage *everyone* to try something new each rotation.

There may be a cost associated with some activities; however, we strive to provide a balance of fee-paying and free activities each term. Options for Terms 2 & 3 will be announced later in Term 1.

If you (parents/caregivers) have a skill, trade or hobby that you would be keen to share with a small group of pupils during our L.E. programme, we would be delighted to hear from you. This is another **excellent** opportunity to become involved in our school community.

***Please note:*** *If your child tries out (and is selected) for one of the Hagley Winter Sport teams, they will be committed to this team for all of Terms 2 & 3. Winter sport trials will be run towards the end of Term 1 as well.*

### **School Uniform Donations**

Donations of used school uniforms and shoes are always greatly appreciated at the school. If you have any of these items especially shoes they can be made at the school office.

### **Sea Week 2016 Art Competition Winner For South!**

Finn H2 with his winning entry in the Year 5-8 category

At the end of last month eight keen students from South entered the 'Sea Week Art Competition' run by ECAN. The brief was to create a piece of 2D art that reflected their thoughts about our oceans. We had some really strong entries, so I was not surprised when four of our artist's made it through to the finalists' exhibition, held last week-end at the Mt Pleasant Estuary celebrations. Congratulations go





especially to Michael R3, Sam R1, Kan S1 and competition overall winner in the Year 5-8 category, Finn H2!

'My piece of work describes the effects of global warming and rising sea levels on our planet. I've shown London as it's one of the most recognisable cities in the world. I wanted to show it is going to take more than a few people to change what we have all done - pollution is everyone's problem.'

### **Flower Making Workshop**



Our post it note and wire collaborative piece - made at the workshop River of Flowers

To commemorate the 5th anniversary of the 22nd February 2011 earthquake, several school friends and myself made paper flowers after school in the Art room. We all taught each other how

to make a flower and then worked together on a combined piece using post it notes and wire. The flowers we made were then displayed with those made by other school aged children. They were placed in a river of flowers in the 'Bloom' Exhibition, held at Canterbury Museum.

Five years ago, when I was still living in Japan, I experienced the Great East Japan earthquake which happened less than a month after the Christchurch earthquake. It was a terrifying experience. Shortly after that, my family and I visited Christchurch for a holiday and I saw the great damage caused by the earthquake to the city. I felt really sorry because I understood how everyone felt. Since our move to Christchurch three years ago, everything seemed smooth sailing. It seemed that we are free from earthquakes until the sudden jolt that we had recently which made me realise that not

everything is under our control. Let us be nice to each other so that we have no regrets. Written by Yuki Saito (H4)

### **Boys and Girls Milo Knockout Cricket Series**

The 2016 Interschool 20/20 season started with a frenzy of activity at South. Perhaps due to the success of our national team, cricket numbers swelled to 80 for the boys and nearly 20 for the girls. A massive selection process got underway to prepare the South Boys and Girls A teams.

By the time the Boys were ready to play against Middleton in week 3, they had played 5 practise games together against almost everyone who had applied for a starting spot and were better prepared for the rigours of a knockout game than years gone by. Our fielding and bowling was extremely tight and we restricted Middleton to 95 from their allotment of 20 overs. Special mention should go to Kevin Thiele who bowled 3 overs and took 3 wickets for just 7 runs with his deadly spin bowling.

Oliver Smith and Jackson Edwards saw off the best of Middleton's bowlers and were not troubled by scoreboard pressure to get to an opening stand of 50 runs from 12 overs. Urged to increase the pace a tad saw a rattling of our middle order and Middleton had their backs up when we lost 5 quick wickets to run-outs and wicket breakers. Dallas Crowe and Captain Thomas Owens saw us home with 2 overs to spare and 3 wickets in hand.

The girls played a stunning batting innings going in first against Hillview and posted a very competitive score of 146. Alana Topping struck a boundary laden 39, proving to us why the Canterbury selectors have her lined up for bigger things and Phoebe Watson carried her bat through for a remarkable 61 not out. With such a massive platform laid on by our top 2, Hillview had to come out guns blazing. However, Talia Garrick proved to be a huge revelation with the ball in hand. Her bowling was full of generous flight and was straight as a tack as she bundled a 5 wicket bag in her first ever knock-out game!

All our players bring a huge amount of enthusiasm, and support for each other and it is a really special memory for me to see these players succeeding with their talent and attitude. They play the game with great respect for their opponents while playing to win well.

Our next rounds begin soon, so keep aiming high, South!  
Nick McBrearty.

## **Duathlon 2016**



Our school duathlon was held at Christchurch South Intermediate on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February.

The weather was perfect and

with over 500 children competing it was a fantastic event. The Year 7s started us off with teams, followed by the girls individual and then the boys individual. Every student gave it their all and it was pleasing to see the support and encouragement that the children gave to their peers while they were competing. The Year 8s were ready for their turn after interval and they did not disappoint. They were also very supportive of each other. Every student that competed on the day should be proud of their effort and be commended on showing 'The South Way'. A big thank you to all the helpers and staff on the day. Without your support events like this could not happen.

### House points

1st Ngata  
2nd= Sheppard/Hillary  
4th Rutherford

## Results

### Year 7 Individual Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Noah Smith
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Marcus Blair
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quinn McNamara Prendeville
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ben Higgins
- 5<sup>th</sup> Seb Linscott

### Year 7 Individual Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Samantha Ross
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gracie Pratten
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Chumani Lo-Fo-Wong
- 4<sup>th</sup> Reilly Kane
- 5<sup>th</sup> Belle Cleland-Hall

### Year 7 Team

- 1<sup>st</sup> Stella/Ana
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Yuki/Ita
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Konna/Trent
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jorja/Phoebe
- 5<sup>th</sup> Laurent/Matthew

### Year 8 Individual Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Charlie Hazlett
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Zach Goldsmith
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Cornelius Kaufuti
- 4<sup>th</sup> Henry Clatworthy
- 5<sup>th</sup> Josh Podmore

### Year 8 Individual Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Alana Topping
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sophie Hartshaw
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lili Nicholl
- 4<sup>th</sup> Antonia Hill
- 5<sup>th</sup> Amelie Mackay

### Year 8 Team

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sam/Ben
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Faysal/Adam
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Maedo/Georgia
- 4<sup>th</sup> Victoria/Natalie
- 5<sup>th</sup> Jontay/Eli

## **2016 TERM DATES**

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|---------------|-------------------|---|---------------------|
| <b>Term 1</b> | Monday 1 February | - | Friday 15 April     |
| <b>Term 2</b> | Monday 2 May      | - | Friday 8 July       |
| <b>Term 3</b> | Monday 25 July    | - | Friday 23 September |
| <b>Term 4</b> | Monday 10 October | - | Friday 16 December  |

**\*\*\*\*\*EASTER HOLIDAY\*\*\*\*\***

**Good Friday 25 March – School Closed**

**Easter Monday 28 March – School Closed**

**Tuesday 29 March – School Closed**

**REMINDER**

*The wearing of sun hats is compulsory during Terms 1 and 4. Hats should be **plain navy blue and either with a wide brim or bucket style.***

*Thank you  
Christchurch South Intermediate Board of  
Trustees*

**Christchurch South Intermediate PTA**  
**School Uniform Trade**

**Do you have a uniform you wish to sell?**

Great!! List your items with us and we'll advertise them for you and put you in touch with interested buyers. To list an item please email Sharyn Creighton at [uniforms@chchsouth.ac.nz](mailto:uniforms@chchsouth.ac.nz) or phone 981 8136.

**Do you wish to purchase  
a second hand uniform?**

We can help!! Go to our school website:  
[www.chchsouth.ac.nz/PTA/UniformSales](http://www.chchsouth.ac.nz/PTA/UniformSales)  
to download the list of items for sale. You will then be able to make contact with the seller directly to make your purchase.

**COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD**

*These are printed at the request of the organiser involved and we do not necessarily associate ourselves with the organisation or condone what they are offering.*

The Cashmere High School Parents' Group

Comedian Mike King takes a humorous look at supporting kids through the turbulent teenage years. GPG Parent talk Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm in the PAC. Limited tickets available for \$10 from the Cashmere High School Payment Centre from 8.30am – 4.00pm Monday – Friday.

Sew Know How - Learn to Sew!

Classes for kids and adults. Book now for term 1 2016. Small classes, great results and loads of fun. Studio located in Spreydon. Phone 0275346163.

Email: [jane@sewknowhow.co.nz](mailto:jane@sewknowhow.co.nz)

### Halswell United Football Club

Online registrations are OPEN for ages 4-50+. The season starts 2nd April to end of August (early bird fees before end of March). Games for 4-8 year olds are held at Halswell Domain on Saturdays with optional trainings available on Mondays for 4-6 year olds and Fridays for 7-8 year olds. 5th/6th Grades \$60, 7th/8th Grades \$100 for the whole season. For more information please visit our website at: [www.HawkFootball.org.nz](http://www.HawkFootball.org.nz) Any questions regarding 4-8 year olds, email Sam Bunn: [huafcFKFF@gmail.com](mailto:huafcFKFF@gmail.com) All other queries email Jenn Halliday: [huafcGM@gmail.com](mailto:huafcGM@gmail.com)

### Air Force Museum Holiday Programme

We've got you covered. Don't stand out. Become truly invisible. We'll make it disappear. We're so good at this, you won't know we're there. Join us for the Air Force Museum's April OSCAR-endorsed school holiday programme. 'Hiding in Plain Sight' - 18-29 April 2016 Ages: 5 -12 years Cost: \$38 per day, Full week: \$175 Hours: Half day 8.30am – 12.30 noon, Full day 8.30am – 3.00pm Bookings Essential: Please contact the Public Programmes Team on 03 343 9504 or email [programmes@airforcemuseum.co.nz](mailto:programmes@airforcemuseum.co.nz)

### Cashmere Netball Club \*\*Register Now\*\*

Registrations are now open on our website [www.sporty.co.nz/cashmerenc](http://www.sporty.co.nz/cashmerenc). We are a family friendly club and welcome players of all ages and abilities. If you would like to coach, umpire or manage a team please contact us directly. We are able to provide training to those interested. Our trials commence Sunday 6th of March at 9am. For more information please go to our website, [www.sporty.co.nz/cashmerenc](http://www.sporty.co.nz/cashmerenc) Facebook page or email [cashmerenetball@hotmail.com](mailto:cashmerenetball@hotmail.com)

### Auditions – Auditions – Auditions – Auditions

'NUNSENSE' - The Mega Musical! Book, Music & Lyrics by Dan Goggin – by arrangement with ORIGIN Theatrical on behalf of Samuel French Inc. Want to get back into the 'Habit'??? Think you need experience, but have 'Nun'? Looking for some 'Divine Intervention' for 2016??? The Halswell Drama Group are holding auditions for our upcoming production of 'Nunsense' - Men & Women required – age 13+. Tap-dancing experience would be an advantage, but definitely not necessary!! Backstage & other crew also required if interested. Auditions will be held on: Sun 10th April 2016– 2-5pm, Tues 12th & Thurs 14th April 2016 – 7.30-9.30pm Where: Halswell Community Hall 450 Halswell Road, Halswell. To register to your interest in either auditioning or just to find out more about our group. Please ring Carla on 03 347-2136 or email [halswelldramagroup@outlook.com](mailto:halswelldramagroup@outlook.com)



## CALENDAR 2016

10 March	Boys' Cricket vs St Andrews (at St Andrews) 11am -3pm
11 March	Girls' Cricket vs Chisnallwood (at South) 10am – 1pm
14 – 18 March	Parent/Teacher Interviews
14 March	School Swimming Sports (Wharenuui) 10.30am – 2.30pm
16 March	PTA AGM 7.30pm – 9pm
25 March	<b>Good Friday – School Closed</b>
28 March	<b>Easter Monday – School Closed</b>
29 March	<b>Easter Tuesday – School Closed</b>
2 April	PTA Car Boot Sale & Children's' Market 11am – 3pm
5 April	Inter Intermediate Swimming Sports 10am – 2.30pm
6 April	Parent Evening – Understanding Anxiety in Children 7pm – 8pm
8 April	Huxster Mountain Bike Relay 9am – 2pm
12 April	Haka Off 1.30pm – 2.30pm
15 April	Last Day Term 1
2 May	First Day Term 2