

Christchurch South Intermediate

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Newsletter (Panui)

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora koutou

At South one of our vision statements is "Develop a Passion for Learning".

Life is a journey of learning and it can be surprising where we find the most important lessons.

Discovering what we are passionate about is often a process. It is often about finding out where our interests lie and exploring them. There are some things we can do to help ourselves:

We can start by moving towards what we are interested in. Learning a new language could lead to a love of the food of that country and a career in cooking or writing or travel. Learning to play the violin can lead to loving another instrument or enjoyment of the world of music. Take the first steps, be prepared to learn and you have more chance of arriving at the destination you really want.

Look for purpose. Ask yourself, "In what way do I wish the world were different? What problem can I help solve?

How can I contribute? How can I get involved and participate?"

Keep an eye on the finishing line. You may try out lots of things before you discover your lifelong passion. But the more you do and learn, the more valuable skills and knowledge you will find and the more doors will open to you.

"No Passion? Don't Panic" by Angela Duckworth

Give things a go and then give 100% to whatever you are doing and never stop trying to learn. Developing a passion for learning is the key to finding your passion.

Christchurch South provides early adolescents with a wealth of diverse opportunities to give things a go and start to discover what their passions are.

Our exchange with Broadgreen Intermediate is a highlight of our year and provides many opportunities for students to get involved and move towards what they are interested in. Thank you to families who have opened their homes to students from Broadgreen and to the staff from both schools who have worked tirelessly planning and preparing for the exchange. I am confident that the 42nd exchange will be a resounding success.

Ngā mihi nui

Ross Hastings

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Principal



The vast majority of our students are well presented and correctly attired every day.

Our school uniform promotes a sense of belonging and pride and removes competition in dress.

All students are required to wear correct school uniform at all times, this includes correct PE uniform.

If your child is unable to wear correct uniform, we require a note from home in order to issue a Uniform Card. This card shows that the student has followed our process.

If a student does not have a note from home, a Uniform Card will be issued and it will be recorded that there was no supporting explanatory note from a parent.

If a student presents for a second uniform Card without a note, they will be required to forfeit twenty minutes of their lunchtime revisiting the School's Uniform requirements.

To support this we ask that parents ensure all uniform items are well named and that PE gear is bought to school every day. There are a large number of un-named polar fleeces and jerseys, shorts and boys' socks on our Lost Property rack.

If any family is having difficulty providing correct school uniform please contact the school as we may be able to help.



To **Noah Smith** and **Luka Fields** who have been selected for the Canterbury 11^{th} grade football team.

To **George Campbell** who has been selected for the Canterbury 12th grade football team.

Absence

If your child is unwell, unable to attend school or is going to be late <u>it is essential</u> 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 <u>absent@chchsouth.ac.nz</u> or enter the absent via the school app.

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".

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 in 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 juicies 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.

<u>Allergies</u>

With the warmer weather classes are starting to do more outdoor activities. For those students prone to allergies from grass and pollen it might be timely for them to remember to bring any medication required. We are happy to hold any named medication in the office however we do not stock antihistamine or Ventolin.

Tūhono Competition Success



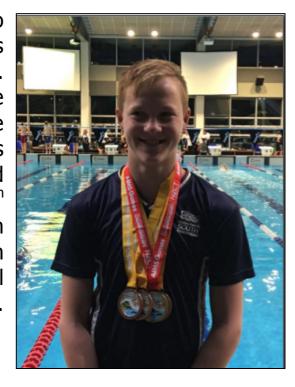
Te Rupo Hari Koa with their awards

Congratulations to Te Rupo Hari Koa, our kapa haka group. The group picked up three awards at the Tūhono Competition. They won the Year 7&8 waiata-ā-ringa (action song) award and shared the haka award with Breens Intermediate. To top it off they won the overall winner of the Year 7&8 section of the competition. Ka mau te wehi!

Tēnā rawa atu koutou Matua Steve, Miss Riches and Miss TeRangi

Congratulations

Congratulations to Thomas who competed at the recent AIMs games in swimming and canoe slalom. Thomas received a gold medal in the Boys 13 Years 50 Freestyle, three bronze medals in the Boys 13 Years 50m Butterfly, 100m Butterfly and 50m Backstroke. He had two 4th placings in the 100IM and 200m Backstroke and a 5th in the 100m Backstroke. Thomas was 11th overall in the Year 8 Boys Canoe Slalom. Well done Thomas.



Cooking with Spices

Some of our year 7 classes have been fortunate this week to have our visiting teacher from India, Sarita Badhwar, teach us how to make authentic Indian dishes. We enjoyed usina have garam masala, cumin seeds, coriander, tumeric, green chillies and fresh ginger. We especially enjoyed the Par Bhaji, using a lot of fresh vegetables from school our garden. The colour of the dishes was stunning and the taste was a experience. wonderful Sarita taught us a lot about her culture and the importance of respect for the food and for each other. She has set us on the path to explore



other Indian dishes, to be brave with spices and to develop our knife skills.

Canterbury School Science Fair





On Saturday 10th September, the NIWA Canterbury-Westland Schools' Science and Technology Fair was held at Ara Institute. Two

students, Annabel and Billie, entered, representing Christchurch South. Annabel's display was on the variation of sand dunes near North Brighton and Billie's display was about demonstrating the difference between potential and kinetic energy. Although neither of them were awarded a prize, they both had excellent displays of their scientific and technological investigations. Mr Keelty

Friday Basketball



Clockwise from top left: South Broadgreen A v Halswell A, Star Referees - Jayden Brad and OJ, South Eagles and Steelers, South Stormers

With 101 students representing 11 teams, Basketball is one of the largest

sports at South. Friday night saw the Finals night of the weekly competition, with a number of our students taking part.

This year we decided to keep our Year 8 and Year 7 boys separate, forming the South Eagles (Year 8 A) and South Steelers (Year 7 A) teams. These boys have had some tight battles all year, with the Year 7s taking it to the older, taller boys on a consistent basis. Finals night saw the two teams face off in the 3/4th play-off, with the Year 8s taking the bronze.

Our South Stormers (Girls A team) have had an extremely successful year, winning their first game 51-4, and not looking back. They did not lose a game all season, and took out the trophy of the girls' grade competition.

With one of the finalist teams up at Aims Games last week, this was a perfect opportunity for our "Broadgreen A" team to get some

extra practice in ahead of their game next week. They had a tough task against the highly regarded "Halswell A" team, but with the combination of long limbed Year 8s, and nuggety little Year 7s, the South team came out on top by 4 points! Whilst they don't take the Friday night trophy, this looks promising for a tough battle against our Broadgreen competition next week.

We also had a number of students who took on the extremely tough role of refereeing this year. These students did an extremely professional job, where they were often put in the tough position of officiating their peers. They have been given raving reviews by the Pioneer Basketball staff, and should be commended for giving back so voluntarily - a fantastic skill to have.

A huge thank you to the parents, teachers and volunteers who gave up their valuable time to help coach and manage our teams, we couldn't have done it without you. A very special mention must go to Cathy Robins, for her tireless work organising uniforms, coaches, players, draws...she really is superwoman!

The future is looking bright for Basketball at South.





From left: Mya, Madeleine, Amy, Jessie, Cahlia, Shontay and Jorja.

Our girls recently competed at the Primary Schools Canterbury competition at Elmwood Normal School. It is the first time in many years that South has been represented in aerobics and the girls competed exceptionally well! They have been training really hard on Tuesday mornings as well as Wednesday and Thursday lunch times. It took real commitment from these girls to compete as they had had no previous experience in aerobics before.

Congratulations Amy, Mya, Cahlia, Jorja, Jessie, Madeleine and Shontay.

We were very fortunate and were able to come away with 1st in the Level 2 Pairs competition - Jorja and Shontay as well as 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the Level 2 Individual competition - Jessie, Shontay and Jorja!

Great work by all the girls and a day to be proud of too!





Sapex performing their winning set at the Bandquest Regional Finals

Congratulations to the students who took part in the Rockshop Bandquest Regional Final last Saturday, 3rd September. We entered both of our school rock bands: White Shades and Sapex. White Shades performed 'Adventure of a Lifetime' by Coldplay and 'Ride' by 21 Pilots. They performed a tight, entertaining set - well done guys! The White Shades drummer, Will Mannering, took away the 'Most Rockin' Drummer' award - what an achievement, especially when you bear in mind that he was competing against 14 other drummers!

Meanwhile... drum roll please... Sapex took away FIRST PLACE in the overall competition!!! The next step is for us to make a video of Sapex performing their set ('You Don't Need Me, I Don't Need You' by Ed Sheeran, and 'Cake By The Ocean' by DNCE). The video will then be entered into the national finals. By winning the regional, Sapex won the music department a whopping \$400 in Rockshop vouchers. Thanks Sapex!

Big thanks go to Matt Stevenson, our rock band tutor, who is a hugely talented musician, tutor and Youth Worker at CSIS - you are a huge asset to the school, Matt!

Winning Crews!



The winning Hip Hop Crews with Tash, choreographer - Extraordinaire!

HUGE congratulations go to the two Hip Hop Crews who competed in the Primary Sports Canterbury Hip Hop Dance Competition on Wednesday 31 August. We were blown away by the results...

The Girls' Crew took out first place in the Open section, which was an incredible feat as they were up against very tough competition. The Boys' Crew won second place in the Novice section. Call me biased, but if you ask me the Boys' Crew got the biggest round of applause and laughter the whole morning!

The judges said that they were looking for entertainment, and both crews did a fantastic job of showing their passion for dancing and performing. Big thanks go to Tash Britt, who choreographed both dances and led the teams to success.

Otago Daily Times Current Events Success



Sophie, Julius and Amelia with their certificates and vouchers for second place.

This year's
Otago Daily
Times EXTRA
Current
Events Quiz
once again

saw eight South teams battling it out with 64 other Year 7 and 8 teams from around Canterbury to be this year's champions. Each team's knowledge of national and international events, geography, national flags, famous faces, and their ability to locate information within the Otago Daily Times were all put to the test in order to find the most successful team from Canterbury for 2016.

Each year this competition gets tougher and, as always the competition was fierce. With South's impressive record at this

event, it was no secret that we were once again determined to do our very best. With the top teams running neck and neck throughout the evening, the South 4 team of Sophie, Julius, and Amelia scored an impressive 97 points out of 100, earning them a very creditable 2nd equal, only 1 point behind the eventual winners.

Kids in Town

On Thursday 25th August, Chorale and the Boys' and Girls' Hip Hop teams travelled into the city to perform as part of the Kids of Town programme. We had the pleasure of performing in the foyer of the Christchurch City Art Gallery, which has great acoustics and is a stylish, bright performance space.

The Girls' Hip Hop Crew kicked off proceedings with a 2 minute set choreographed by Tash Britt. They were tight, professional and very entertaining to watch.

Chorale followed, with performances of 'Dry Your Tears, Afrika', 'Bohemian Rhapsody' and 'You Can't Stop the Beat'. The crowd was clearly impressed by the vocal soloists in Bohemian Rhapsody: Julius Hlavac, Anna Gibbs and Billie Pine, and was blown away by the talent and cool-headedness of Sam Butler on guitar. Wow, what a solo!

The Boys' Hip Hop Crew finished off the performance with a fun, engaging set. The audience particularly enjoyed the humour of the 'Me Too' choreography! Thanks again to Tash Britt for choreographing.

ICAS Spelling Year 8 Results

Merit – Lauren Bennett, Henry Clatworthy, Marketa Fenwick, Julius Hlavac, Jacob Stevenson

Credit – James Clelland, Anna Gibbs, Jeremy Kinley, Amelia Kirkness, Kate Lyall, Sophia Rutherford

Distinction – Harrison Craythorne, George Gearry, Ryan Hamilton, Ludo Paris

ICAS Writing Results

We had 27 students sit the ICAS Writing exam this year. To receive a Merit Certificate students need to score in the top 50% of all students in the NZ and Pacific region, Credit - top 30%, Distinction - top 10% and High Distinction - Top 1%. Congratulations to all students who sat these exams.

Year 7 Writing

Distinction – Emily Cropp, Jack Gunn **High Distinction** – Isabelle Bowen, Grady Kenix

Year 8 Writing

Merit - Tyla Boyd, Amelie Mackay

Credit – Shifa Ahmed, Marketa Fenwick, Ciara Foley, Amelia Kirkness

Distinction — Scarlett Bown, Anna Gibbs, Jeremy Kinley **High Distinction** — George Gearry, Julius Hlavac

Final Results for Winter Sports 2016

Christchurch South A 3rd

Hockey - E Grade

Christchurch South F 2nd

Netball – A Grade

Christchurch South A 2nd

Netball - C Grade

Christchurch South F 2nd

Rugby - B Grade

Christchurch South A 1st

Football - A Grade

Christchurch South A $3^{rd} =$

Football – B Grade

3rd Christchurch South B

Football - Girls' A Grade

1st Christchurch South Girls

Squash B Grade

2nd Christchurch South 1

Table Tennis B Grade

1st Christchurch South B 2nd Christchurch South A

***** **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

2016 TERM DATES

Term 1 Monday 1 February -Friday 15 April

Term 2 Monday 2 May - Friday 8 July
Term 3 Monday 25 July - Friday 23 September

Term 4 Monday 10 October - Friday 16 December

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.

<u>Dental Care over the School Holidays</u>

The Community Dental Service will operate an emergency service over the school holidays. This service is to provide relief of pain only and will not undertake 'routine' treatment. The service will be available each working day from 8:30am until 12:30pm from the Hillmorton Hospital site. Monday, 26th September to Friday, 30th September 2016 (excluding weekends) and Monday, 3rd October to Thursday, 6th October 2016 (excluding weekends). This service will operate by appointment only and if we are unable to see your child, alternative options will be given. If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance. You can phone and make an appointment for the emergency clinic by ringing 0800 846 983.

Sew Know How - Learn to Sew!

Classes for kids and adults. Book now. Small classes, great results and loads of fun. Studio located in Spreydon. Phone 0275346163. Email: jane@sewknowhow.co.nz

Holiday Programmes - Mainland Futsal Holiday Programme Age: 6-12 year olds. Dates: 28th, 29th and 30th September 2016 Times: 9.00am - 3.00pm Venue: CHCH Boys High School, Straven Road Cost: \$37.50 per day (\$112.50 for three consecutive days) 10% discount of second child when registering two or more siblings. Mainland Football Outdoors Age: 7-14 year olds. Dates: 5th, 6th and 7th October 2016 Times: 9.00am - 3.00pm Venue: English Park Cost: \$37.50 per day (\$112.50 for three consecutive days All information on Mainland football website.

<u>Inspired by the Rio Olympics?</u>

Port Hills Athletics will help your child discover skills and determination they didn't know they had. Above all though, it's about friends, meeting personal goals and setting new ones. Club nights-weekly Interclub-Colgate Games-Cant Championships, Prepare for school athletics! Want to know more? Come to Registration; Sunday 18th September 2.30-4 pm Wednesday 21th September 5.30- 7 pm Based at; Hansen Park, Opawa. Info; T&F Junior Club Captain Megan Allan, 021 02737136 yal@xtra.co.nz www.porthills.org.nz

CASPA Holiday Programme

CASPA is now taking enrolments for the Sept/Oct Holiday Programmes, for more information go online to www.caspa.org.nz or phone 03 3499260

Beckenham Tennis Club

New members and coaching opportunities Beckenham Tennis Club. We are open for NEW members to play tennis. Registration interest on our new web site: www.beckenhamtennisclub.co.nz. Pee Wee Junior First Day Saturday 3 September 8.30am (already had some coaching), 9.30am class for beginners. Junior/Intermediate TEAMS (children can serve a ball) free coaching for three weeks in September. ADULT — EASY TENNIS COACHING for beginner adults coming back into tennis or learning. Tuesday morning group or Saturday afternoon (after 4pm). Contact: Leanne Dunbar cell 0275 316 026 landline ph 9606021

Kelly Sports Holiday Programme

2016 Sept-Oct Kelly Sports New School Holiday programme at the new Spreydon school hall (the old Manning Intermediate hall), Hoon Hay Road. Monday 26th to Friday 30th Sept & Monday 3rd to Friday 7th Oct. The new Kelly Sports Holiday Programmes aim to encourage children to give sports a go, build their confidence and skills while having heaps of fun in a supportive and encouraging environment. Boys and Girls aged 5-13 years Half Day -\$28, Full Day -\$37, Full Week -\$170 MSD Approved & WINZ/OSCAR Subsidy if eligible ENROL Online - www.kellysports.co.nz search under Spreydon school OR email chch@kellysports.co.nz

School Holiday Golf Coaching Programmes

Have fun learning golf these school holidays, programmes running 26-30 September, venues include Hagley, Rangiora, Harewood, Hororata, and Waimairi Beach. Contact rachel@canterburygolf.co.nz or 359 4000 ext 2 to find out the details of a programme running near you. Cost is \$10 per session.

Music Tutor

My name is Danial Neale and I'm a local music tutor, operating a music school called rockitCHCH, situated in the heart of Sydenham. I provide guitar, drums, and bass lessons to aspiring musicians, with a contemporary focus and an emphasis on providing performance opportunities for my students. I am a professional, friendly teacher with a modern approach to learning and a focus on the student as an individual. One on one lessons are available as well as lower-cost group lessons. I can teach all levels, beginners to advanced. All ages welcome. If you would like to find out more please feel free to contact me Danial Neale -

Summer Football - Halswell United AFC

Football continues through the Summer all at Halswell Domain. We have programmes for First Kicks / Fun Football (4-8 year olds), Halswell Skill Centres (8-12 year olds), Halswell GIRLS ONLY HUB (5-12 year olds) & we have kick arounds for 13 years + to Senior players play every Wednesday too.

Information and

Registration: http://www.hawkfootball.org.nz/summer QUESTIONS?: Email: Sam Bunn (General Manager) huafcGM@gmail.com (ph: 0277 748 232)

KORE Sailing School Holiday Sailing Programmes

KORE are running sailing programmes throughout the holidays at Lake Pegasus and Roto Kohatu reserve. Join one of our groups or get a group together for even more fun. Our courses are over 5 sessions of 2 hours running Monday to Friday each week of the holidays. Contact us for details info@kore.co.nz, www.kore.co.nz or KORE sailing on Facebook. Book online on our Coachseek page. After school programmes start on October 11th. Adults. If you are keen to get started we have an adult group running weekends. We can do mid week sessions now. Numbers will be limited so bookings are essential.

Living Springs Kids Camp

Living Springs Kids Camp: 4 nights from Monday Sept 26 - Friday Sept 30. A fantastic fun way to have your child fully supervised during the school holidays. A four night/five day sleepover camp, packed with adventure activities and an opportunity to get out and explore nature in beautiful Allandale, at the head of Lyttelton Harbour, only 20 minutes from Christchurch. A sample programmes is available on the website. Camp does include a daily 1 hour 'sesh' which includes music, games and stories based on Christian principles and values. Excellent and well trained leaders and qualified staff. Book now online at www.livingsprings.co.nz. Early bird payment \$265 for registrations before Sept 18, includes accommodation, food, activities and memories that are priceless! For phone phone 329-9788 more information or email info@livingsprings.co.nz.

CALENDAR 2016

19 – 22 September 23 September 23 September	Broadgreen exchange Loud Shirt Mufti day Last day Term 3
9 October	PTA Sausage Sizzle – Mitre 10 Colombo Street 9.00am – 4.00pm
10 October 14 October 14-16 October 17 - 18 October	First day Term 4 Blue Light PCT competition Waterpolo tournament Indoor Tournament
24 October	Labour Day - School Closed
26 October	Christchurch Schools' Music Festival (Horncastle Arena)
1 November2 November3 November	Athletics Standard Day Athletics Standard Day Athletics Championship Day
11 November	Canterbury Show Day – School Closed
22 November	Inter Intermediate Athletics – Ashburton
23 November 29 November – 1 December	Music Soiree (Ngata Pod) Major Production