



# Christchurch South Intermediate

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## Newsletter (Panui)

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora koutou

We have just completed a terrific two weeks of EOTC experiences for our students. The Year 8 three-day camps and the Year 7 activity days provided many opportunities to embrace challenge and benefit from positive team building. A huge thank you to all parents who offered to assist our programmes.

Congratulations to our students for their positive attitude towards our school duathlon. They showed wonderful commitment and perseverance while enthusiastically supporting and encouraging each other. It was marvellous to see a good number of parents and family members supporting the students.

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who were able to make our "Team Up" evening. We value any opportunity to build positive home-school partnerships. Please contact your child's teachers at any stage during the year. Email is usually the best initial form of contact. We have our first formal school interviews during Week 7, the week beginning Monday 13 March. Please make sure you book to see the teachers you would like to meet with.

Trials for winter sports teams will start to happen this term. Please encourage your children to register to trail for sports they are interested in. Once the various sports teams have been selected all other students will be given an opportunity to select Leisure

Education preferences from a range of activities. The winter sport and Leisure Education programme commences in the week 3 of Term 2.

Ngā mihi nui

Ross Hastings



Principal

# Congratulations

To **Emily Cropp** who after an intense time of training and success competing at the 2016 National and Regional Tournaments, recently graded to Red belt in Taekwondo.



# School Uniform

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 re-visiting 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.

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2 March 2017

Christchurch South Intermediate Board of Trustees  
***Casual vacancy for an elected trustee***

Dear Parent/Caregiver

This letter has been written to communicate two important matters regarding the Board of Trustees at Christchurch South Intermediate.

1) A casual vacancy has occurred on the Board of Trustees for an elected parent representative.

The board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by Board selection.

If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the Board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

2) Should the Board's intention of filling the vacancy by selection proceed and you are interested in being considered for selection to the Board or would like more information, please contact me by email ([office@chchsouth.ac.nz](mailto:office@chchsouth.ac.nz)) or via the school office **by Wednesday 29 March 2017.**

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Harrison", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Dave Harrison  
Board Chair

## **Boys Cricket A team at the CJCA 20/20 Tournament**

The Boy's Cricket A team participated in the CJCA tournament on March 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. The boy's team is composed of a number of premier grade cricketers and is a highly talented bunch of young men.



We were placed in Pool D with 2 other schools, Belfast and St Thomas. We had to win two games to qualify for a semi-final berth. If we dropped one of those games, we would need to play a knock-out game for our tournament placing. Win none of our games and we would go home early.

South put on an extraordinary display of cricket, with commanding results over our opponents to finish top of the pool. Belfast won the toss in our first game and asked us to bat first. Our openers put on a devastating century stand partnership that assisted our next 2 batters to free their arms. 170/2 was an imposing total from our end and our bowlers could use this to set aggressive fields.

With singles restricted, the choke hold was placed on Belfast's batters to either hit over the top or chance our accurate arms by attempting tight runs. Ultimately our demands were too much and a total team effort, with almost all our bowlers getting overs, bowled out Belfast on the last ball of the 20th for 52.

A late withdrawal from a school in the tournament had allowed us a chance to play a friendly against Cobham Intermediate. As it meant nothing to the competition, a reverse batting order was sent in to see if we could compete with a smaller total, simulating a batting collapse. Our bowlers very nearly delivered us a win, encouraging us to believe that we could win a game from a desperate position.

Our next "real" game was the following day. St Thomas lost the toss and we elected to bowl first. Our spear heads bowled with precision and accuracy and, save for some late hitting by St Thomas, kept proceedings at around 3 runs per over. At the death, St Thomas knew they had been too conservative and threw their arms at the ball, reaching 114 with a flourish of boundaries.

Our openers went in to bat knowing that their form in the last game would see us knock off a run rate of 5.75 with ease, so long as no silly shots were played early. Both openers watched and waited for the right line and length to match their stroke-play. In the 13th over, the boys ticked off the winning runs and carried their bats for the team. A guard of honour awaited them off the field.

As pool winners, we were now to proceed to a semi-final with Medbury School; a team with a rich history in Canterbury Tournament and National Level success. The South Boys were pumped. A place in the finals awaited if we could get through this team.

At the toss, Medbury called correctly and opted to flex their renown batting muscle first. Our bowlers were up to the task though and delivery after delivery of accurate pace was again choking our opposition to a restrictive 3 runs per over. Run outs eventuated and at the 13th over Medbury actively searched boundaries. Our introduction of spin produced some excellent catches. Medbury continued to fight as wickets tumbled under pressure and made a highly creditable 132 with significant middle-order hitting.

Our openers went in fired up and ready to take on their attack. With our openers averaging a Bradmanesque 100 each, they put Medbury to the sword. At the 8th over we had reached 64 and Medbury needed something special. A rocket return caused a run-out and their bowlers took inspiration to tighten up their lines. Spin was also employed and with the brakes applied, South engaged in a monumental battle swinging between periods of dominance for both sides.

Ultimately, Medbury held their noses in front, if only just, and with the asking rate ballooning to 13 per over off the final 3 they scattered to the boundary in defence. South ran desperately for suicide 2s and 3s and came desperately close as proceedings closed at 122/7.

The South Boys pushed every inch of the way and we brought out the best in our opposition. A large gallery of parents and teachers applauded us as we walked off the field. On that particular day, we were beaten but we most certainly have proven we have the class to be regarded as a real force in the Canterbury School system. It was a privilege to see these boys give it their all and on a personal note I look forward to seeing them don the Black Cap awaiting them in the future.

### **CJCA Girls Cricket Tournament**

The CSIS team competed in the CJCA 20/20 tournament on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Previously a knock-out format, this year the competition became a round-robin tournament. This helped increase the cricket tournament experience for all participants.



Two pools were created to field the 7 teams participating. CSIS played in a pool featuring Heaton Intermediate and Halswell School. Our girl's team had a mix of current and former club cricketers, backyard players and "hockey is close enough" types.

Halswell were our first pool game and at the toss they called correctly; electing to bowl first was where they felt their strengths lay. Having sat out a first round bye, we were rearing to go at them. We set an extremely solid platform of 140 runs. CSIS batted so aggressively that it would take something extra special from

Halswell to keep up with the required run-rate. CSIS girls have a knack for bowling though.

With the ball in hand, we managed to bowl out Halswell for 48. After the game our beaten opponents mentioned that this game had been far more fun than their first one. Heaton Intermediate had been a steep learning curve. They were our opponents for our next game on day 2.

The forecast for Day 2 was treacherous. Showers were predicted to fall just before midday. At the toss, we called right and elected to bowl at them. Heaton's openers were watchful at first before beginning to hit out. We snaffled an opener against the run of play with a middle stump being flattened but the class of this team ran deep. They ran away to 170 from our 20.

Heaton's bowling attack was phenomenal and their pressurised ring fielding technique really put the acid on our batting. South batted with stout resolve but wickets tumbled at regular intervals and we could only muster 52. Heaton topped our pool and we advanced in 2nd place: Destination Semi-Finals!

Cobham Intermediate awaited us as the drizzle began to fall. The weather would go on to play a significant part in reducing our game time. Cobham scored 89 off 12 very stop and start overs. The girls were getting wet, cold, tired and frustrated with the conditions.

Opting to try and exhaust their best bowling stocks in a shortened game, a reverse batting order was sent in to frustrate and scrounge runs. Cobham also had a supremely good attack and they indeed did make steady inroads into our middle order. However, we started to show some real fight back and the Cobham fielding began to get desperate and sloppy as the rain transformed the ball into a bar of "Skiddy McSlippery" brand soap.

Ultimately, at the end of the 8th over, we had to cancel the game at an interesting point, 63/5. The game could not be resumed and the CJCA made a decision to award the result to Cobham.



South is most fortunate to have such competitive girls and proudly supportive whanau. Coach McBrearty would like to extend his gratitude to you all for a great couple of days and is looking forward to seeing you out there for the upcoming Superstar Cricket Series!

## **Duathlon**



Our school duathlon was held at Christchurch South Intermediate on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February. The weather was perfect and with over 500 children competing it was a fantastic event. The year 7's started us off with the girls and boys teams, followed by the girls' individual and lastly the boys' individual. Every student gave it their all and it was pleasing to see the support and encouragement that the students gave to their pairs while they were competing. The year 8's were ready for their turn after interval and they did not disappoint. They were also very supportive of each other and I feel that South has a great group of senior children this year. 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 you events like this could not happen. Finally, thank you to all those parents/caregivers who came down to support the competitors. It was fantastic to see!

## Duathlon Results

### Year 7 Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Natasha – N4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Indi – N1
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sienna H3
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ester – N4
- 5<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth – H3

### Year 7 Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Oscar – N4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Hamish – R3
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Finn – N4
- 4<sup>th</sup> Josh – R3
- 5<sup>th</sup> Preston – R2

### Year 7 Team

- 1<sup>st</sup> Matthew & George – S1
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ewan & Ben – N1
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ryan & Luca – S4

### Year 8 Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Gracie – N3
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Riley – N2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sam – N2
- 4<sup>th</sup> Chumani – S2
- 5<sup>th</sup> Rylee – H1

### Year 8 Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Noah – H4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jesse – S3
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ben – N2
- 4<sup>th</sup> Quinn – N3
- 5<sup>th</sup> Ben – N2

### Year 8 Team

- 1<sup>st</sup> Kevin & Alex – R1
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jack & Luke – N2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jayden & Kevin – R1

## **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) or send an absence through 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, 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 is clearly named this should also include school hats, socks and shoes.

## **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 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 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. *Maryanne Mills– Canteen Manager*

### **School Swim Sports**

To be held at the Wharenui Pool on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> March from 10.30am till 2.30pm. Parents are welcome to attend. Those children taking part will travel by bus from school to the pool at 9.50am and return to school by bus at 2.40pm.

### **ICAS**

Each year, Christchurch South Intermediate offers Year 7 and 8 students the chance to participate in The University of New South Wales' International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) programme. These tests have been conducted for over 20 years and provide students with the chance to challenge themselves and monitor their achievement in a range of subjects. While the tests are administered by the school, they are independent of the school programme. Should you wish your child to participate please fill out a slip from our website and return to the school office with the money by Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March.

### **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.

### **Pasifika Tutor**

"Wanted: A fun, dedicated and enthusiastic tutor for our Pasifika Performance Group.

Are you, or someone you know, interested in tutoring a group of around 50 students in Pasifika song and dance and preparing them for school performances as well as potentially attending the Cultural Festival? The kids are keen to give it a go and just want to have fun learning new languages and culture through song and dance. The group would run before or after school one day a week for an hour.

For more information or to register your interest please contact Jimaya Te Rangi. [j.terangi@chchsouth.ac.nz](mailto:j.terangi@chchsouth.ac.nz) or phone the school office."

### **Netball**

Netball is offered as a sport option in Terms 2 and 3. CSIS has approximately 10 teams in the Intermediate Schools' Competition held on Tuesdays 1.45 – 2.45 pm at the Hagley Netball Courts.

However, if your student wishes to also play in the Saturday Netball Competition at the Hagley Netball Courts, she/he will have to join a club. Trials for teams usually take place in March. Names of clubs and times of trials are available from the Christchurch Netball Centre, ph. 379 4486 or 374 9492. Leaflets for various Clubs may be available at the Office when clubs drop them off. *Nicole Lloyd*  
- *CSIS Netball Co-ordinator*

**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 Jo Harrison 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.

**\*\*\*\*\* 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*

**2017 TERM DATES**

Term 1	Monday 30 January	-	Friday 13 April
Term 2	Monday 1 May	-	Friday 7 July
Term 3	Monday 24 July	-	Friday 29 September
Term 4	Monday 16 October	-	Friday 15 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.*

Get Free Books for your School

Get free books for your school with Kellogg's and New World. For every New World receipt dropped into the in store collection box showing the purchase of two participating Kellogg's products your school will be able



to redeem 1 free book. Promotional period 1 Jan – 31 Mar 2017. Max 20 books per school. For full list of participating Kellogg products and Term & Conditions visit [www.kelloggs.com/freebooks](http://www.kelloggs.com/freebooks)

### Layton Swimset Fund

Kiwi Family Trust have just launched The Layton Swimset Fund which aims to give families access to swimming lessons for children aged 3+ throughout New Zealand. Families can apply for all children in their household once per year. Please contact Kiwi Family Trust for an application form. Criteria does apply. All families must either be on low income (Community Services Card, one wage, low income or pension) or be in other hardship that makes obtaining swimming lessons difficult or impossible. Call toll-free 0508 54 3375.

### Christchurch United Football Club

Be part of the Christchurch United FC dream. International, professional coaches, state of the art facility at Christchurch Football Centre, first kicks to high performance academy, all year-round holistic world-class programmes, winter football programmes at Spreydon Domain. For registration and more details on each programme please go to [www.CUFC.co.nz](http://www.CUFC.co.nz) or contact us on [office@cufc.co.nz](mailto:office@cufc.co.nz) or 021 446 212

### Cashmere Netball Club

Players of all abilities and ages are welcome. All players are guaranteed placement in a team. For more information 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). Trial dates are Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March held at Hagley Netball Courts. Registration available on the day.

### Suburbs Junior Registration

Suburbs RFC. Age grades from U6s to U16s. We encourage more girls to participate promoting all girls grades for U8s Ripper rugby, and U10s Tackle rugby. Subs for the season are \$60per player and \$80 for a family of 3. We are looking for coaches and parent support for our team's, if you are interested please feel free to contact me. Tai Taimataora, Rugby Development, Suburbs RFC Christchurch (027) 5119519. Dates: Tuesday 21st Feb 5pm to 7pm Monday 27th Feb 5pm to 7pm (Crusaders Player visit) Tuesday 7th March 5pm Venue: Hoon Hay Park (Mathers Rd - Hoon Hay)

### Foster Parents Needed

Could you provide quality care for a young person in your community? Child, Youth and Family are looking for people, in and around the Hornby area, who are interested in making a difference in the life of a vulnerable young person. James is a friendly teen with a great sense of humour. James is mad about cars and would like to be a mechanic when he grows up. James is a member of the Christchurch City BMX club and by all accounts is quite good and will be competing at competition level. He is also involved in his local cricket club and attends youth group weekly. He enjoys playing video games - X-Box and PSP, watching and playing sport, and listening to music. James takes pride in his room, which is remarkably clean and likes to help with chores around the house. James would do really well in the care of a local couple who have experience with young people. He needs someone, who can build his self-esteem, offer opportunities and experiences while at the same time providing consistent and clear boundaries. Like most teens James behaviour can be challenging, at times, particularly when he is anxious or unclear about what is happening. James needs someone with patience, to help him learn positive behaviours and help to manage challenges positively. With your support and care James will have every opportunity to develop positively and achieve his full potential. FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please call us to discuss fostering a young person and the support package we can offer you. Call Karina Langley for a chat on 03 961 4130 or email [karina.langley002@cyf.govt.nz](mailto:karina.langley002@cyf.govt.nz) or call toll free on 0508 FAMILY (0508 326 459).

### Junior Youth Groups

The Somerfield Junior Youth groups invite you to join! Tuesdays or Wednesdays, 7 - 8:30pm. Somerfield Community Centre, 47 Studholme St. All 11-15 year olds are welcome. These amazing young folks are transforming the world around them. They discuss meaningful concepts, do art, organise service projects in our area, and play a truck load of games. They also form amazing friendships. Contact Megan (022-6706376) or Vahid (027-2212401) for more info or just come down!

### Do you have teens struggling with the start of a new school year?

Starting a new school or heading back to school can be a stressful time for young people and overwhelming for some. SPARX can help! SPARX is an online game designed to help teenagers feel better. SPARX is clinically tested therapy in the format of a game designed to help teens

with mild to moderate depression and is also effective with anxiety. Alt Ed students said it also helped with feelings of stress, anger and problems getting on with others. Clinically tested with 12-19 year olds however younger youth (10/11) can use it too. SPARX is fully funded by the Ministry of Health so it is FREE for anyone to use in NZ. [www.sparx.org.nz](http://www.sparx.org.nz)

### TimberNook

TimberNook\_\_ –provides innovative nature-based programmes for children designed to foster creativity, imagination & play in the great outdoors. TimberNook programmes are now offered locally! Amazing outdoor experiences in natural settings –Cracroft Guide Centre (151 Cashmere Road). Limited places for Tiny Ones preschool playgroups, Going Wild weekend club, a range of school holiday programmes, special events & birthday parties. To view programmes visit <http://www.timbernook.com> or contact Kim via email [Kim.Tenebaum@timbernook.com](mailto:Kim.Tenebaum@timbernook.com), 027 9340409, fb TimberNook Christchurch NZ South. TimberNook doesn't entertain – we empower!

### Christchurch Schools' Music Festival

Auditions for 2017 Representative Groups. Your best musicians need to be part of this! Applications for individual singers and instrumentalists to audition for one of the Festival's Representative Groups – Junior or Senior Choir, Concert Band, Orchestra – are now open. This is the opportunity for singers and instrumentalists to achieve at the highest level of performance and to excel in their chosen area of artistic endeavour. Please help us make sure that your talented singers and instrumentalists put in an application. As a trial this year, we have removed the requirement for a school code so that there are minimal barriers to pupils taking part. We do rely on schools to publicise this opportunity and assist children to place an application online – it really is very simple. Just direct applicants to the festival website [www.musicfestival.school.nz](http://www.musicfestival.school.nz) where all the information and application form is available. There is information on the website that will answer every question of a parent or potential participant. We would appreciate your publicising this opportunity in your newsletters to your school families. Audition applications close on the last day of Term 1. School choirs: And just a reminder if you are not one of the 48 schools which have already applied to be part of the 2017 Festival, that applications for schools are also open on the same website and close on the 10<sup>th</sup> March. Don't miss out!! Please do not reply to this email...it is

just a reminder. And if you are no longer associated with this school (or any other) please just ignore this email or forward it to someone who may be interested! Kindest regards The Festival Team

### Redcliffs Mt Pleasant Bowling Club

Have a go day. Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 1pm – 3pm. Give lawn bowls a go! Bring the whole family down to the club and try out the awesome bowls activities. Free to attend, free sausage sizzle & spot prizes. Please wear flat footwear or socks. Join on the day and receive a social membership for only \$5 [www.redcliffsbowls.co.nz](http://www.redcliffsbowls.co.nz)

### Action Sports Stadiums

Teams and Individuals Welcome Season Starts Term 2. Indoor Cricket T20: 6 aside Indoor Football: 6 aside\* \*15-18 Youth Grades (5 a-side) Play the game you love all year round. Get your mates together, and get into the Action. Entries this season are OPENING NOW! Graded Competitions for ages 7 – 18yrs. All officials and equipment provided. All children receive rewards. 2 Great Locations Central City, 7 Iversen Tce Friday Evenings, Ph: 366-6601. Hornby, 81 Buchanans Rd Friday Evenings, Ph. 342-6800 Phone to enter, or enter online [www.actionindoorsports.com](http://www.actionindoorsports.com)

## **CALENDAR 2017**

3 March	R3 – Sailing at Lake Rua R2 – River crossing at The Groynes
13 March	CSIS swimming sports
13 – 17 March	Parent/Teacher interviews
27 March	Inter school duathlon
13 April	<b>Last Day Term 1</b>
1 May	<b>First Day Term 2</b>