

# Christchurch South Intermediate

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**Dear Parents and Caregivers** 

Kia ora tatou

This is an extremely full newsletter which shares reports of school activities, events and celebrations of learning from throughout the term. We normally have two newsletters a term, Week 5 and Week 10. During this term we had an IT issue which delayed the publishing of the Week 5 newsletter by a few weeks to the point that we decided to combine the two newsletters.

While the winter has been wet and our fields have been unable to be used, the school has been humming along with in-class and extra-curricular learning happenings in a huge variety of ways. We have launched Seesaw, an online access to your child's learning. This has presented the opportunity for students to share their learning and get feedback from a wider audience. Most parents have registered with Seesaw and used it to gain new and improved insights into their child's learning and to be able to participate with and celebrate the learning in ways not previously possible. If you haven't yet signed up for Seesaw either have a look back through your emails for one from your child's teacher with instructions and a code, or email your child's homeroom teacher for assistance.

We are also developing our use of Hapara Workspaces to provide greater access for students and parents to the planned learning activities and programmes of learning. The Term 3 Workspaces have been available on our website for parents to access. Students have access to these and other workspaces when they log in to their school google accounts. We have seen an increase in the use of personal and school devices for learning this term.

Early next term, during the second week, we are planning a school wide 'Celebration of Learning" enabling students to further share their achievements and learning. This should also include the important reflections on the process of learning along with the final "products" of learning.

We have an outstanding team of staff who have continued to support the students and their diverse interests and needs while also looking to expose them to new opportunities and challenges.

Spring has finally arrived and we look forward to warmer weather, longer days and more opportunities to enjoy outdoor opportunities for learning and play.

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**Ross Hastings** 

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Principal

## **Absence**

If your child is unwell, unable to attend school or is going to be 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 <a href="mailto:absent@chchsouth.ac.nz">absent@chchsouth.ac.nz</a> 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.

## **Allergies**

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.

## **Board of Trustees**

The CSIS Board of Trustees has welcomed three new board members over the past few months. Craig Reynolds and Rachel Westaway were selected to replace the outgoing Nick Thurley and Madeleine Hawkesby-Browne and Rua Murray was co-opted to the board. Craig, Rachel and Rua bring outstanding experience and skills to the board. We would like to take this time to publicly acknowledge the outstanding work Nick and Madeleine contributed during their time on the board.

## <u>Dave Harrison - Chairman</u>

I am employed as a teacher at Somerfield Te Kura Wairepo. I believe schools are an essential hub in a thriving community. As an intermediate school, South plays a special part in the lives of our tamariki, providing a wonderful connection between its contributing schools and Cashmere HS. Having been a trustee since 2012, I am passionate about the quality public education that South provides.

## Melody McCombe - Staff Trustee

I am a Team Leader at Christchurch South Intermediate School and the staff elected member of the Board. Being passionate about public education, I am honoured to contribute to the governance of the school. As a staff member, I am actively involved in the life of the school, as Head of Mathematics, organising and coaching a sport, co-producing our school's Major Production and Showcase, and running clubs, other activities, and teaching.

## Rachel Westaway – Board Member

My name is Rachel Westaway and I was co-opted to the Board of Trustees in June 2017. I have two children, Callum who is in Year 8 at Christchurch South and Leah who will be heading to South in 2018.

I currently work as a Project Manager for CORE education and have also spent a number of years working in local government, public health and IT. I have a long association with Christchurch South (attending as a student myself) and am very excited to able to make a contribution to my children's education and the community South serves.

## <u>Craig Reynolds – Board Member</u>

Commercial Pilot, Missionary in Papua New Guinea, IT Manager —all things that have stemmed from a passion to live a fulfilled life, serving and developing people around me.

Now board member at South, I'm keenly aware of multiculturalism and the challenges that brings for our society, how technology is a tool, not a reason and how dreams are possible with sacrifice and commitment.

I love my one wife, three school age kids, two old kids, two cats, two chickens and a schnauzer.

## Rua Murray – Board Member

Michelle and I have two children, with our youngest in year 7 at South. As a former student of South (mid-80s) and child of this neighbourhood, I've jumped back into the school community with co-option to the board. In between, we lived in the UK, Canada and Kirikiriroa. I bring to the board a passion for the transformative power of education and success for every student (which also drives my daily work as a research mathematician and teacher).

#### Julian Cone – Board Member

I am passionate about my family, my community, information technology and the intersection of them all. I am proud to be a two term trustee at South, involved in governance and sports coaching while my two sons have enjoyed their time here.

I am a graduate of Canterbury Uni, and have worked at Landcare Research, had roles as a co-founder/early contributor at a number of local startups (YikeBike, Ministry of Awesome) and am currently an engineer at SLI Systems.

## Keryn Davis - Board Member

Kia ora, my name is Keryn Davis and I was co-opted to the Board in March 2015. I have two sons - Tom (Year 8) and Harry who will start at CSIS in 2018. I'm married to Tony, and we live in Somerfield. I'm a classroom researcher and education consultant and have been on a number of not-for-profit boards and committees over the past 20 years.

## **Korfball Tournament - Term 3**



Having had the Year 7 & 8 Canterbury Korfball trophy taken from us in Term 2 by Cobham, we were very keen to win it back in the Term 3 tournament at Pioneer Stadium.

The South 2 team, made up of mostly Year 7s at their first Korfball tournament, played well above expectations and qualified for the 9/10th play-off. They unfortunately went down to Rakaia to finish 10th, but played extremely well against some tough A teams. Toby was a standout of the day, scoring at least 1 goal in all of their pool games.

The South 1 team, who have 7 players in the Canterbury Junior Year 7 & 8 teams,

were the hot favourites from the beginning of the day, with a fairly large target on their back!

They won all of their pool games, by considerable margins, to qualify for a semi-final against Halswell, competing at their first Korfball tournament. With some strong Basketballers, Halswell put up a tough fight, ahead for most of the first half. Tyler then stepped up to sink some pressure shots at a very important time, and we went on to win 8-3.

We then qualified for the final, against a strong Middleton Grange 1. We took the lead 2-0 early in the game, and didn't look back. With some strong defence from Jesse and Ben to shut down the opposition, we managed to close out the game, and win 7-3.

A huge congratulations to Jesse and Gracie, who also impressed the Korfball Canterbury selectors, making it into the Tournament team of 4 boys and 4 girls.

We will be back in Term 4 to try and put the trophy away for the summer, with an outdoor tournament at Elmwood Park.

## **Thank You**

Thank you to all the parents, caregivers, students and friends who donated money for 'Trees For Canterbury' during the Showcase performances. The whip-round took place during an Amazing Race challenge, in which the characters Sky and Blaze were asked to collect \$10 in 60 seconds. Thanks to your generosity we collected a whopping \$316.50, which will be put towards planting native trees in the Port Hills following last year's fires.

#### **ICAS Results**

We had 29 students sit the ICAS Spelling exam, 27 students sit the ICAS Science exam, and 21 students sit the ICAS Digital Technologies 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 Spelling

Merit – Elizabeth Collecutt, Amelie Devos, Christopher Fenwick, Marina Takemura, Arvid Waghorn Credit – Samantha Dowrick, Josh Fraser, Dwayne Ramos, Isabella Thom, Frances Warren-Cheung Distinction – Clara Dujakovic

#### Year 7 Science

Credit – Jasper Murray, Liam Priestley Distinction – Josh Craythorne, Clara Dujakovic, Joshua Fraser, Steven Horswell, Luke McPherson

## Year 7 Digital Technologies

Merit - Nicole Chenery, Jasper Murray Credit - Sam Clelland, Clara Dujakovic, Josh Fraser, Ben McLauchlan Distinction - Liam Priestley, Samuel Rogers High Distinction - Will Elston, Steven Horswell

#### Year 8 Spelling

Credit – Jayden Olsen, Emily Cropp, Matthew Davis, William Mannering, Annabel Morison, Ngaire North, Billie Pine
Distinction – Ben Higgins,
High Distinction – Grady Kenix

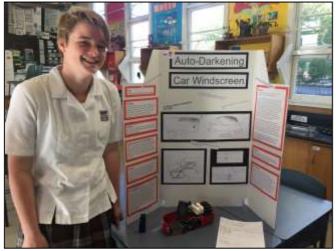
#### Year 8 Science

Merit – Benjamin Hay, Grady Kenix Credit – Rosie Cruickshank, Ngaire North, Fergus Ord, Billie Pine Distinction – Emily Cropp, Ben Higgins High Distinction – Annabel Morison

## Year 8 Digital Technologies

Merit – Ben Frame Credit – Daniel Ardouin, Michael Doherty Distinction – Annabel Morison High Distinction – Ethan Doughty

## 3 Times a Winner!



NIWA Canterbury-Westland Schools' Science and Technology Fair.

The Science and Technology Fair has once again seen many young minds demonstrating their creative thinking and passion for learning. This year South students Billie and Annabel submitted their Science and Technology projects. These students demonstrated a great commitment to the tasks. Annabel's Technology project - Auto Darkening Car Windscreens won 3 prizes:

Best in Year 8 Technology

Callaghan's award for an innovative project with commercial potential

Best in Fair

Annabel writes: "Last Saturday, Billie and I entered our exhibits in the Canterbury and Westland Science fair. The judging started at 9:30 where our projects were scrutinized by category judges and specialist judges. There was a wide variety of exhibits including a bike saw to things involving complicated technology and random snails.

Billie entered a study on how music affects the brain and I entered a technology entry which was an autodarkening car windscreen, programmed using Arduino. A circuit is attached to three LDRs in a pinhole box which measures the light strength from the 3 different directions that matter. This information gets fed into the Arduino and the computer which changes the LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) screen darkness which is segmented. I soldered the circuit connecting the LDRs (Light Dependent Resistors) to a 5k resistor, to the 5-volt pin, to an analog pin and ground pin on the Arduino. I did this to all three LDRs. Since it is connected to the Arduino I can track the light strength and control the display.

The next day I went to the prizegiving ceremony and won best in year 8 technology (\$150), Callaghan's award for an innovative project with commercial potential (\$333) and best in fair (\$1000). I encourage students to do the science fair since it is a great experience and fun."

Well done to both students and a superb result for Annabel.

## **Speech Competition**



Christchurch South Intermediate held its annual Speech Competition on Tuesday, 19th of September. A top Year 7 and top Year 8 were selected to represent their Pod in the speech final. Each speech was around three minutes long and had to include the phrase 'The Time is Now'. Topics included body image, homelessness, racism, bullying, equal rights for all and eating insects to help save the environment! The competition was tough!

Our winners were:

Year 7

Madeline from Hillary with a thought provoking speech about eating insects.

#### Year 8

Billie from Sheppard with a powerful message about body image and accepting yourself as being perfect the way you are.

A massive congratulations to our other finalists:

Year 7

Lottie (Ngata), Isabella (Sheppard), Clara (Rutherford)

Year 8

Nadia (Hillary), Archie (Ngata), Summer (Rutherford)

#### **Christ's College Science Competition 2017**



On Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September Luke, Lily, Josh and Clara were superb representatives of South this Christ's College year's Science at Competition. After assembling together for a briefing from members of the Science team the four students were quickly off to challenge their thinking and compete against 8 other schools in Physics, Biology and Chemistry activities. Things were certainly tricky when calculating the velocity of helium balloons with different weights, decoding dental records of a variety of animal skulls and identifying unknown substances. With their quick thinking, collaborative approach and super attitudes the students embraced the challenges and enjoyed the opportunity to have fun in high school Science labs. Very well done Luke, Lily, Josh and

Clara.

#### AIMS Games 2017

After months of hard work and commitment, the time was finally here for us to depart for the 2017 Aims Games! Our home for the week was a two-storey beach front holiday house with features a pool table, dart board, and even a spa!

Coming up against the taller, more physical North Island style of Basketball was a bit of an eye opener, but we rose to the challenge. We won 2 of our first 3 games, to qualify for the top 32 of the competition of 67 teams.

In our fourth game we came up against an undefeated home team, Mount Maunganui Intermediate. Through some sharp shooting and tiresome defence, we took the win 37-22, and secured a place in the top 16.

Unfortunately our cross over had us matched up against Murray's Bay (top 4 2016 and winners in 2015). Along with their quick ball skills, they also had a 6'3 giant, who made it pretty hard to secure any rebounds! We put up a good fight, but Murray's took the game 54-21. This team went on to win the final by 20 points, so we took heart in knowing we put up a good fight!

With our sights set on top 10, we unfortunately came up against a fast, physical team in Newlands Intermediate. It wasn't our day, and we went down 39-27.

In our next game against Palmerston North Intermediate with 30 seconds left we were down by two; step up Rio who landed a deep two pointer, followed by Alex with a quick steal and layup with five seconds on the clock to take the lead by two, and win 30-28.

Our final game was a playoff for 13/14th, against a team we had previously been beaten by, Highlands Intermediate. After a lot of back and forth we were down by 4 with a minute to go. After a last desperate push it still wasn't enough to take the game. With no clutch shots from Rio or Alex we unfortunately were unable to snatch a win and settled with 14th place out of 67 teams. Upsetting as it was we are extremely proud to have represented our school at this amazing tournament. This was a once in a lifetime opportunity for us and one we will never forget.

We would like to thank everyone who has made it possible for us to attend the 2017 Aims Games. We are so grateful for the experience.

## **Primary Sports Canterbury Hip Hop Competition**



Earlier this week, the boys' and girls' hip hop teams travelled to Hornby High School to compete in the Primary Sports Canterbury Hip Hop Competition. Schools from around Canterbury competed in either the open or novice category. Our girls' hip hop crew competed in the open category, whilst our boys' hip hop crew competed in the novice category.

The competition was tough, with extremely high levels of skill, choreography and costuming. Highlights included watching a group tell the story of Alice in Wonderland through hip hop, and Te Waka Unua School perform gangsta moves with impressive levels of attitude and facial

expression. Both of our crews thoroughly enjoyed the experience; it was an eye-opening, inspiring morning.

The great news is that our boys' hip hop crew secured second place in the novice category. No other team had the audience clapping, whooping and cheering along anywhere near as much as our boys' crew - they wiped the floor in terms of audience appeal and entertainment. One of the judges came up to our crew at the end and said that he had loved their performance and wanted to work with them - what a compliment!

Huge thanks go to Tash Higginson for her excellent choreography, commitment and support of the groups. Tash is the driver behind both groups and we are really lucky to have her expertise and support.

Both the boys' and girls' hip hop crews will be performing at Showcase next week - good luck guys!

## **ODT Current Events Quiz**



This year's Otago Daily Times Current Events Quiz saw 8 teams from South competing against 60 other Year 7 and 8 teams for the honour of being this year's current events champions. Each team's knowledge of national and international geography and current events was tested over 10 rounds intended to challenge even the most confident teams.

After the first five rounds, South teams were well placed and hopes were high as the final rounds began. One of the final round was the notorious "Who am I?" and "What am I?" questions where teams were only given the vaguest of

clues in order to guess who or what the answer was. Despite this, a number of teams still guessed that Peter Burling was the answer to the clue, 'He was born in Tauranga in 1991' and that a rocket was the answer to, 'what would you expect to see in the skies above the East Cape?'

After what was a very competitive evening that had to be decided by a tie breaker, South teams were very well placed, with our highest achieving teams only 4 and 7 points behind the winning team.

## **Dancing With the Staff 2017**



2017's Dancing With The Staff competition saw leaps, jumps, comedy, and - of course - plenty of poorly executed pirouettes. We were taken on a journey and had the chance to see Taylor Swift live (Matt), re-live our two favourite movies - Frozen, and the Lion King - and also watch Miss Te Rangi bopping to Beyonce. Our professional M.C.'s, Hermione and Daniel, presented this very amateur show like it was the VMAs.

Taking out the third place award was Mr McBrearty, with comedy, moves and grooves. Mr McBrearty's group took to the stage with fabulous flair, personality, style, and face paint!

Second place was awarded to Miss Lloyd. This group had some hilarious dancers, especially Hamish and Oliver, who rocked their dresses on stage. We were even treated to a performance by "Mr Lloyd" (Miss Lloyd) in a basketball uniform. Jade pulled a truly astounding back handspring out of the bag.

And finally, first place was deservingly awarded to the one and only Miss Riches! Their group was clean cut, tidy, and had energy to burn. Their song mash-up had the audience bopping in their seats as they pulled out all the moves and danced together as one.

The best costume award had to go to Matt; he rocked the purple and white dress, the wig and bright red lipstick! The Taylor Swift look-a-like had his fans cheering and clapping. When he threw off his wig at the end, the audience couldn't believe it was really Matt the whole time!

Overall, everyone enjoyed this year's Dancing With The Staff competition. The M.C.'s were fabulous and the dancing was at an extremely high standard. Congratulations to Miss Riches and her group for taking out the competition, and to everyone else who competed. It was great to watch. *Written by Emily Cropp and Hermione Smith* 

## Ski Trip 2017



Early in the morning of the 24<sup>th</sup> of August... Mr Sagar, Mair, and Mr Keelty were trying to calm down a bunch of super-excited students (including myself) and try to herd us into a co ach. Soon, we were in the coach driving up the mountains towards Porters Ski Field. As soon as we jumped out of the coach at Porters, we were greeted by Kea and the friendly Porters staff. Before long, we were lugging our ginormous skis and snowboards down to the ski field to learn how to ski/ snowboard.

We all soon faced their first challenge.... Clipping ourselves into the ski/ snowboards. After we had hurdled our problem (metaphorically!), we continued our lesson.

Travelling up the Magic Carpet, skiing down the mountain, traveling up the Magic Carpet, and so on. By this time, we were finally starting to get better and were not falling over as often. Hooked by skiing or snowboarding, most of us skipped eating lunch and continued to hurtle down the mountain eagerly.

All too soon, we had to leave to get to school and then go home to get ready for the next day of school. Thank you to Mr Sagar, Mair, Mr Keelty, and the staff at Porters for helping all of us have such an incredible day! *Emily* 

## **Cantamaths 2017**



The Horncastle Arena towered above us, bustling with chattering hordes of excited mathematicians and their families. As we stepped inside, the enormity of our situation hit us. We were here for Cantamath, a mathematical problem-solving prestigious competition held in Christchurch every year for the greatest of the great. We plunged through the sweating masses to the stairs, ascending into the arena seats. There, Mr Hastings our principal awaited us with many a teacher. Ms Aitken told us to prepare for our ordeal, and we seated ourselves. Diep.io and Pokemon were played as the other rounds played out. Then at long last, we entered the fateful halls of the Arena floor.

Fergus Ord, Mason Youngman, Annabel Morrison, and Grady Kenix strode out and took their seats. Around them poured chattering competitors, preparing for their ordeal. Then, at long, long last, we began the battle of intellects. Fighting through, we were quickly trapped by the counting of squares. Though we battled on, the time was drawing to an end when we sent out our final answer. It was correct! We cheered as the bell rang out it's terrible notes. We had failed, but yet we had won.

Representing year seven, Jasper Murray, Luke McPherson, Clara Dujakovic, led by runner Ewan Hyndman, found their table. The table had been expertly chosen by Ewan to assist them with their tactics of keeping working on a problem as soon as alerted to a wrong answer by their runner. The year seven students got off a flying start, only to be hampered by question seven, which proved a challenge to their thinking. They were soon over that hurdle, and onto the next challenge, question twelve, which turned out to be a really difficult question. So difficult, that the year sevens ended up having to pass. In 2017, there were certainly some of the most difficult questions ever, as this was the first year that none of the teams were able to make it to 100 points within thirty minutes. By the end of the night, the year seven South team had done an admirable job, coming in the middle of the teams entered.

By Fergus Ord, Mason Youngman, Ewan Hyndman and Ms McCombe.

## **Bandquest**



even free shoulder massages!

On Wednesday, 23rd August, our two school rock bands travelled to Rangiora to compete in the regional heat of Bandquest. 'Better Than Nothing' (nee Monday Morning Rock Band) and 'Manaja' (nee Tuesday Morning Rock Band) each performed a two-song set to a friendly, supportive audience of friends and family. We had tough competition from 10 local schools including Breens Intermediate, Thorrington Primary and Christchurch School of Rock. The MC made it a really fun night, with mini-competitions and

Once again, Christchurch South Intermediate School excelled and achieved outstanding results:

Manaja - first place, winning \$400 for the school music department Better Than Nothing - third place, winning \$100 for the school music department William Mannering - Rockin' Drummer Award

Manaja now go through to the national finals and have been set the task of creating a video of them performing a two-song set. The video will then be submitted to the judges later this year. Some of the judges' comments about Manaja included:

"Captivating, a super tight performance, fantastic vocals, rockin' drummer, heaps of energy and a well thought out arrangement."

Better Than Nothing also captured the judges' attention with comments including:

"Really mature and musical performance, you have a strong sense of sound and style, awesome strong stage presence as a group, you have a natural groove, beautiful vocals and harmonies, awesome guitar solos, well arranged songs."

A huge thank you and well done to Matt Stevenson, who ably leads the group and arranges the songs.

Keen to hear more? Both bands will be performing in our forthcoming Showcase - The Amazing Race, which is on 12, 13, 14 September.

### **Hockey Success**



On Tuesday 22nd August, the Christchurch South 11 a-side hockey team had the opportunity to participate in a one day tournament run by Sport Canterbury at Nunweek Park. With the members of our winning six a-side A-grade team forming the backbone of the squad, the students were excited by the possibility of competing against other top 11 a-side teams.

The team were extremely successful, winning all of their pool games, except the first game, which was a draw. That game was a hard fought challenge, as our capable attackers came up against the Canterbury A goal keeper, who kept them scoreless. During the rest of the pool games, our attackers shone, easily outscoring the other

teams. Reilly Kane and Hamish Sherratt, both put away a number of goals, with Jessie Anderson ably feeding the ball up the sideline from centre half.

Due to our draw in the first game, the team waited with baited breath to find out whether they had made it into the finals to compete for first and second. At the end of pool games, and after a goal count back, South easily made it into the finals, outscoring the other team by five goals.

The final game of the day was against the Cobham Aims Games Team. South started shakily, but a few positional changes, as well as some stunning marking of the Canterbury A centre forward by Natasha

MacGibbon and Tess Heap, resulted in South dominating field position as well as the possession of the ball. However, fantastic defence by Cobham kept us scoreless, resulting in a 0-0 draw at full time.

A big congratulations to Hamish Sherratt, Reilly Kane, and Jessie Anderson for being selected to represent Canterbury this season.

## Primary and Intermediate Ski Races at Mt Cheeseman



On Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August we had 5 South students participate in the Primary and Intermediate Ski Races at Mt Cheeseman. The weather wasn't great on the day as visibility was quite poor and there were big gusts of wind that sometimes came through. As usual there were two courses: a red and a blue slalom and all the competitors raced on both with the two times being combined for the total time.

Christchurch South Results:

Girls:

Ngaire North - 5th (0:54.6) Reilly Kane - 7th (0:55.4) Natasha MacGibbon - 30th (1:14.3)

Boys:

Hamish Sherratt - 29th (1:00.7) Zac Taylor - 52nd (1:11.5)

Congratulations to all the students who took part!

## **Team Maths**



On Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> August, sixty-four teams from around the school competed in the team maths event. Excitement had built up over the previous week, as classes practiced problem-solving techniques and worked together to build skill in tackling a wide range of mathematical conundrums.

The Year seven teams started first. The A-grade teams were away quickly, but question number five stumped all teams for quite some time. Five minutes later, the top teams were off again and racing each other for the first position. The B-grade was steady if a little frantic. Students racing to achieve the questions in the least amount of

time, without any passes. Up to question 10 the lead teams, in the A grade were neck and neck. Out of nowhere all teams but one got stuck and a clear leader was found winning the A-grade with just ten minutes remaining.

The year eight competition was a thriller, with a close competition between Ngata and Sheppard. The runners of the teams sprinted to the answer desk, time after time within seconds of each other. Often, only to be sent back again for second time. Both teams faltered on the last question, with the runner sprinting back again and again to the marker. The final 5 points were gained in a split second dash between the two teams with Ngata snatching a well-earned victory.

## **Final Results for Winter Sports 2017**

Congratulations to all the teams that participated in the Tuesday winter sports congratulations in term 2 and term 3. Here are the final placings:

## Football – B/C Grade Nunweek

1<sup>st</sup> Christchurch South B team 2<sup>nd</sup> Christchurch South C team

## <u>Hockey – Nunweek A Grade</u>

1<sup>st</sup> Christchurch South A team

## Hockey – Nunweek Section 2

2<sup>nd</sup> Christchurch South B team

## <u>Hockey – Hospital Corner B Grade</u>

3<sup>rd</sup> Christchurch South C team

## Netball A Grade

3<sup>rd</sup> Christchurch South A team (Yr 8)

## Netball - B Section 1

1<sup>st</sup> Christchurch South E team (Yr 7 A team) – unbeaten all season

2<sup>nd</sup> Christchurch South B team (Yr 8 B team)

## Netball - E Grade Section 1

1<sup>st</sup> Christchurch South G team (Yr 7 B team)

#### Netball – F Grade Section 1

2<sup>nd</sup> Christchurch South F team (Year 8 F team) 3<sup>rd</sup> Christchurch South J team (Year 7 red team)

## Table Tennis A Grade

3<sup>rd</sup> Christchurch South A team

## Table Tennis B Grade

1<sup>st</sup> Christchurch South B team 2<sup>nd</sup> Christchurch South C team

## \*\*\*\*\* 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 - Thursday 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.

## Kids Karate Classes

Help your child build confidence, self-control, and a healthy body and mind through a traditional martial art. Port Hills Karate supports a safe, caring and respectful learning environment at Christchurch South Intermediate. Principal Instructor, Dan Jakes has been training in karate for over thirty years. Dan holds a third degree black belt and is a former National Champion and NZ Representative. Dan has twenty years of teacher. coaching experience and is also а qualified For more information: Visit: <a href="http://www.porthillskarate.nz/">http://www.porthillskarate.nz/</a> Phone: 03 3665058 or 021 408036

Email: dan@sanctuaryhealth.co.nz

## Free Dental Care for Children

Due to School Calendar events, the Community Dental Service Mobile will be returning to Christchurch South Intermediate during Term Four 2017. If there are urgent concerns, prior to our return, about your child's oral health, please call for an appointment at a clinic convenient to you. To contact our Call Centre: phone 0800 846 983 / email commdental@cdhb.health.nz

## Starfish Swim School

Bookings for the October holiday program are now open! Week one:  $2^{nd} - 6^{th}$  October. Week two:  $9^{th} - 13^{th}$  October. Cost is \$62 for the week or \$105 for both weeks. Email: <u>info@starfishswimschool.co.nz</u> Or phone us at: 03 3381795 2 Nash Road, Halswell

## Mainland Futsal Holiday Programmes

October: Age: 6-14 year olds Dates: 2nd, 3rd & 4th October 2017 (Week 1) 11th, 12th & 13th October 2017 (Week 2) Times: 9.00am 3.00pm Venue: St Thomas's of Canterbury College (Week 1) Cowles Stadium (Week 2) Cost: \$37.50 per day (\$112.50 for three consecutive days) 10% discount of second child when registering two or more siblings.

## Girls only Futsal Holiday Programmes

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## Mainland Outdoor Holiday Programmes

October: Age: 7-14 year olds Dates: 5th & 6th October 2017 (Week 1) 9th & 10th October 2017 (Week 2) Times: 9.00am – 3.00pm Venue: English Park Cost: \$37.50 per day (\$75.00 for two consecutive days) 10% discount of second child when registering two or more siblings.

## Girls only Outdoor Holiday Programmes

Age: 7-14 year olds Dates: 9th & 10th October 2017 (Week 2) Times: 9.00am – 3.00pm Venue: English Park Cost: \$37.50 per day (\$75.00 for two consecutive days) 10% discount of second child when registering two or more siblings. Keen to play

## The School for Young Writers

Saturday Morning Classes - spaces available in Term 4 for Years 4-13. Rhythm and Rhyme Writing Competition - deadline 30 October. Our Summer Writing School for teenagers is currently in the planning stages. January 22-26, 2018. Details and updates can be found here:

## https://youngwritersnz.wordpress.com/

Please direct all queries to <a href="mailto:young.writers@xtra.co.nz">young.writers@xtra.co.nz</a>

## Science Alive School Holiday Programme

Get Connected! A fun two hour holiday programme about electricity. "Get Connected" to Christchurch city centre and the rebuild. Then "Get Connected" to electricity through circuit building and design. When: 3rd, 4th and 5th of October. Price: \$18 per child Click the link below to book for the programme. Get Connected for 7-9 year olds.

https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2017/get-connected-juniors/christchurch

Get Connected for 10-13 year olds.

https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2017/get-connected-seniors/christchurch

Presented by Science Alive in partnership with *Ōtākaro* 

#### Summer Football

Play Football during the warm months of the Summer at Halswell Domain First Kicks / Fun Football for 4-8 year olds Fridays: 4.30pm-5.30pm, Cost \$50 (8 weeks) Skill Centres for 9-12 year olds & 13+ years Tuesdays/Thursdays: 4.30-5.30pm (9th/10th), 5.45pm-6.45pm (11th/12th) Cost \$65 (one session), \$100 (both Tues & Thurs) Wednesdays: 5.45pm-6.45pm (13+ years), Cost \$65 Girls Only HUB for 9-12 year olds Wednesdays: 4.30pm-5.30pm, Cost \$65 Visit website for information and registration links www.hawkfootball.org.nz HALSWELL UNITED AFC Our Senior Players get together every Wednesday 6.30pm for a friendly kick around (registration not necessary for this) Email: huafcGM@gmail.com or phone: 0277 748 232 for more information

## Junior Triathlon Summer Training

Do you have children that are keen on triathlon or want to give it a try?

Canterbury Triathlon Club runs a Triathlon programme for children (10 years+) over the summer terms. With two coached sessions per week, children will learn specific triathlon skills and build fitness over all three sports. The ideal preparation for the Primary Schools Triathlon at the end of November! For more details visit <a href="http://www.canterburytriclub.co.nz/junior-programme/">http://www.canterburytriclub.co.nz/junior-programme/</a> or email <a href="mailto:junior@canterburytriclub.co.nz">junior-programme/</a> or email <a href="mailto:junior@canterburytriclub.co.nz">junior@canterburytriclub.co.nz</a> or email <a href="mailto:junior@canterburytriclub.co.nz">junior@canterburytriclub.co.nz</a> or emailto:

## Girls - Try cricket this summer

Games are on a Saturday from 9-12. We have teams for girls from years 4-8. Trainings will be at Hagley for most of the season. Games are around the city. we supply all the gear and coaching (however any parents keen to assist are more than welcome) Girls are guaranteed a bat and a bowl each week. Parents – bring a deck chair, sit in the sun, meet other parents, drink a good coffee and watch your kids have fun. For more information: Email Tegan at St Albans Cricket Club teganw@stalbanscricket.co.nz or call / text: 027 339 1340

## **CFC Holiday Camps**

October 2 - 13. Monday - Friday both weeks from 9am - 3.30pm (kids can be dropped off at 8.30am). Ages 5-16yrs. Highly qualified coaches, goalkeeping coaching, Skills work and side tournaments, All on Christchurch's best and newest all weather surface! Half day \$35/Full day \$59/Two days \$99/One week \$225. Register at cufu.co.nz/holiday.camps/

## Art at Hohepa

Art & Sculpture Exhibition. Free admission Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September – 1 October 10.00am-4.00pm. Hohepa Canterbury, 23 Barrington Street, Christchurch. Guest artists Michael Eaton & Philip Trusttum.

## CALENDAR 2017

29 September Last day Term 3

16 October First day Term 4

23 October Labour Day – School Closed

24 - 25 October CAIMs Indoor Tournament

26 October Disco CSIS 7.00pm – 9.00pm

1 November Athletics Standard Day – whole

school

2 November Athletics Championship Day

13 – 22 November Life Education

17 November Canterbury Show Day – School

**Closed** 

21 November CAIMs Athletics – Ashburton

27 November Korfball Tournament
29 November Inter School Triathlon

5 December ProjectX (Future in Tech)

5 December CAIMs Summer Tournament

11 December School reports home 12 December South's Got Talent

12 December Year 8 Leaver's Dance

14 December Year 7 Prizegiving 11.15am –

12.15pm

14 December Year 8 Prizegiving 1.00pm – 2.45pm

15 December Last day Term 4