Kia ora whānau,

Welcome back to Term 2 – I hope you had a lovely holiday break with your wonderful children 😊

Next week is Road Safety Week which is coordinated by Brake, the road safety charity. It's an ideal opportunity for community groups, families, schools and companies to take action on local road safety issues, and run activities and campaigns to promote safe road use and prevent needless casualties.

This year the Week coincides with the UN Global Road Safety Week and has the theme of speed. Brake will particularly focus on speed as a key factor in the severity of a crash and determining its outcome, and will be urging everyone to play their part in keeping our roads safe, particularly appealing to drivers to help keep vulnerable road users, like children, safe on roads by slowing down around schools and in communities.

This year we are getting our "action on" to ensure that our children can get to and from school safely. We also want to have places where parents can park their cars to spend time with their children at school. All of this is complicated by having two growing schools side by side, a very congested Sparks Road, a planned cycleway which will reduce parking, narrow roading on Maryhill Avenue and all of those other modern roading problems that we face.

Our school is due to be renovated in 2018 and we want to do our best to ensure that safe travel and parking is on the Ministry of Education and the Christchurch City Council’s radar. Of course we don't want the school dollar to address roading issues that we are facing because of our street address! We have met with the Spreydon Heathcote Community Board who we have asked to lobby Council on our behalf. We are part of the Safe Travel to School Initiative. We need your help too, because parent power is the most effective way of rattling cages. How can you help? Use the new Council app Snap, Send and Solve. If you see congested parking, unsafe roading issues, incorrect signs, anything that can help strengthen our case for council assistance to improve roading around the school, that would be fantastic. This is our time to take action.
More information can be found here https://www.ccc.govt.nz/report/snap-send-solve/ and also download the app for either Apple or Andriod.

The Safe Travel to School Initiative starts now and what better time to start it off, than Road Safety Week. I’m sure you regularly witness examples of unsafe road safety practices and have ideas as to how these can be improved. NOW is the time to have your say so that our children can get to and from school safely. Please take the time to contribute to this survey. The results will be used by the Council as data or planning and improving roading around the school. The time is now for action - here is the link to our Safe Travel to School Survey - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HoonHayOLA

You will be seeing a lot of Senior Constable Ross Mitchell next week. Constable Ross will be around the school reinforcing the road safety message. He is a very popular person in our school.

The Winter Sport season is upon us, with many sports starting last weekend, or tomorrow. Take a look at this you-tube clip and let our kids be kids - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5v70xviozE Always a good reminder that positive sideline behavior is a must!

A big thanks to our staff (Megan Andrews, Lynda Peterson and Christie Forsythe), and parent helpers (Amy Marshall, Michael King, Chris Jones, Katie Lester, Ewen Cameron, Julie Watson, Daryn Kingi, Mark Tulia, Nichola Loose, Bridie Walsh, Gail Porteous, Nathan Wood, Kara Cassie, Chris Palmer, Mel Herron, Michelle Fletcher and Simon Panckhurst), for ensuring that the Year 4 Woodend Camp was a raging success again this year. We sincerely appreciate the time the parents have taken from work and family, to be a vital part of the wonders of camp.

YOU ROCK!

Have a super weekend.

Ngā mihi nui

Lee
Lee McArthur
Principal / Tumuaki

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Congratulations to the following tamariki for receiving a Principal’s Award recently:


A huge welcome to Olly O’L, Heath B, Ché B & Oli S.

Rā whānau!

I could see my target through the blurry scope, I heard the loud BANG of my air rifle firing. I felt the cold black plastic of the air rifle I was holding.

Josh B

Today I felt the mould on the trees when we went orienteering, Today I heard bird’s singing in the top of the trees, Today I saw a volleyball pit and wanted to play but the spaces were all taken, Today I wondered why we couldn’t stay however Today I smelt the strong smell of mushrooms as my group wandered into the forest.

Emily-Rose

I went to camp I saw people doing activities, I felt the hard things that you hold to get up the climbing wall, I felt brave in my heart, I wondered what I will be doing tomorrow but I know that it will be fun.

Heath
Congratulations to Chloe P – pictured wearing the medals she was awarded in a recent Dance Competition. She was placed 2nd in her Solo, and 3rd in her Duo (with former Hoon Hay student Georgia S).

Hannah P, Samantha Y and Eva L were placed first in their group dance at a dance competition at Cashmere over the holidays – great teamwork girls!

Tanna V is pictured with her Mouse Catcher. She made this clever design that traps the mouse in the bottle.
WINTER SPORT TRAINING - Training has begun this week for all teams. It’s great to see the children being on time and ready for their coaches and teams for training. Uniforms will be issued over the next week and all games begin on Friday 26 May. Children are able to wear their sports uniforms to school on a Friday. Draws will be published on the sports page of our website as they are made available. Please feel welcome to come and support your child and their team. Any cancellations for Friday sport will be posted on our website by 11.15am - please check before heading down to watch. Teams will improve their sporting skills each week, while learning the value of teamwork and sportsmanship. We wish all our teams a wonderful competitive season and hope they can collect some winning results along the way.

HOON HAY COBRAS, BASKETBALL SUCCESS
Our Hoon Hay Cobras have had an awesome start to their season playing in the South West Zone Tournament on Tuesday 2nd May. Nothing like being put under pressure. One practise and then play as a team at tournament. The team did extremely well, dominating the pool games 24-0, 24-0, 20-4. They then faced a very challenging semi final, which went into extra time with the first team to score a basket taking the win. It was a fast paced playoff and seemed never ending with shots going up at both ends of the court but not sinking. Finally, Sam H, managed to score the winning basket which moved the team through to the finals against Sommerfield. With not much turn around time, and still red faced and sweaty the team took to the court for the final. Sommerfield took an early lead but Hoon Hay clawed back never giving up and on the final whistle the score was 16-14 to Sommerfield with a well deserved 2nd place to Hoon Hay. We will now go onto play at the Centrals in June against schools from all around Christchurch. Cobras Team; Sophie Y, Austin MS, Sam H, Nikau J, Cruz M, Keira R, Jamie P, Kyle S, with Coach Miss Scott.

GYMNASTICS - If there are any children (minimum age 8 yrs) who are registered with GSNZ and are interested in competing in the Canterbury Primary Schools Artistic or Rhythmic gymnastics competitions in June please make contact with Michelle Meaclem - michelle.m@hoonhay.school.nz. Closing date for entries is 25th May.
**May**

08 – 12  
Road Safety Week

08  
Hillmorton School visiting Year 6 children
Metro Bromley trip – Room 15 only

10  
PTA Meeting – 7pm

12  
Whole School Assembly – 9.00am

15 - 17  
Rm 20 & 21 Camp – Yr 5 Spencer Park / Yr 6 Wainui

17 – 19  
Rms 18 & 19 Camp – Yr 5 Spencer Park / Yr 6 Wainui

19  
Secondhand Uniform Sales

22 – 24  
Rm 17 Camp– Yr 5 Spencer Park

25  
Metro Bromley trip – Room 19 only

26  
Whole School Assembly – 9.00am
SW Zone Cross Country (pp 31 May)

**June**

02  
Secondhand Uniform Sales

05  
QUEENS BIRTHDAY – Public Holiday

06  
Matatini- ma’a’s Journey of Bravery performance

09  
Whole School Assembly – 9.00am
Year 6 visit to Hillmorton School

12-16  
Book Week

16  
New & Prospective Parents Meeting 9.30am
Secondhand Uniform Sale

18  
Movie Fundraiser – watch this space for more details!

*For more dates, please see our Calendar on the School Website*

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**2017 School Terms**

**Term 2**
Monday 1 May – Friday 7 July

**Term 3**
Monday 24 July – Friday 29 September

**Term 4**
Monday 16 October – 12 noon Friday 15 December
Hillmorton High School Open Night
2017 – The Open Night will be held on Thursday 25th May, 6 - 8 pm.

The Dyspraxia Support Group holds groups for children aged between 5 to 13 years of age on Saturday afternoons during term time. The groups participate in a programme together and delivered by a team of enthusiastic supervisors. If you have a child or know a child with Developmental Dyspraxia/DCD who would be interested in attending, please contact Sue on 358 3249 or email dyspraxia.centre@xtra.co.nz.

SECOND HAND BOOK SALE - I am raising funds for my gymnastics club to go to Nelson for a competition. If you have a book that you would like to donate please hand it to me (Hannah M) in room 21. Once all books are collected, we will be holding a second hand book sale at 33 Downing Street on Sunday 14th of May from 10am till 12 noon. All books will be $3 each. I hope to see you there - Many thanks Hannah

The Mother of All Clean Ups - Saturday, 13th May 2017
You are invited to join local groups, clubs and individuals cleaning rubbish from the banks of our rivers and the estuary. **Wear sturdy shoes and bring gloves.**

Opāwaho / Heathcote River clean-up groups start times and start sites:
- Cashmere Stream Care Group / 10am / Penruddock Place
- Cashmere Technical Football Club / 10:30am / At Centennial Park beside the stream, behind where 'first kicks' is held
- Lower Cashmere Residents Association / 11:30am / Foot bridge by Zeroes Cashmere Rd Bridge
- Somerfield Residents Association / 10am / Barrington St and Cashmere Rd Bridge
- BNA and Friends of Ernie Clark / 10am / Beckenham Scout Den. Centaurus Rd
- St Martins Scouts / 11am - 1pm / Hansens Park
- ChCh South Lions / 30am / Fifield Tce at Wilsons Road
- Forest and Bird / 10:30 / Radley Street Bridge
- The Tannery / 10am / Cumnor Terrace
- Forest and Bird / 9:30am / Off Ferrymead Park Drive, Ferrymead, Heathcote; signposted from Bridle Path Road

See our Facebook page Opawaho Heathcote River or contact the Opawaho Heathcote River Coordinators: Helene: 021-0277-3863 or Karen: 021-0220-3998 or Email: opawahoheathcote@gmail.com.

The event is jointly organised by the Avon-Ōtākaro Network, the Opāwaho Heathcote River Network and the Avon-Heathcote Estuary Ihutai Trust.
Community NoticeBoard

ASB School Banking

Register your child today into ASB’s School Banking Programme and encourage good savings habits from an early age.

Registration Packs available from the School Office.

ACT2 DRAMA GROUP

AUDITION CALL
Ages 5 and up and for all abilities
The Kidsfest production of
The Jungle Book

Audition Date:
Sunday 14th May
St Albans Community Centre
1047 Colombo Street
Christchurch 8014

Performance Dates:
16-22 July 2017

Directors Fay Barnes & Andrew Murphy

Call/Text Fay on 0210431108 to book an audition time or for more information.

Thought about playing hockey?
Why not start NOW!!

Hornby Hockey is your local hockey club and we’re about to start this seasons Funsticks programme for all Year 1 and 2 players. If you have a child that is interested in playing please go to our webpage and register - https://www.hornbyhockey.co.nz/Membership

COME & PLAY FOR HORNBY HOCKEY
Programmes run weekly on one day a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

- Rippa Rugby
- Netball
- Basketball
- Football

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For year 0 – 4 students.

PRICES FROM $65 – $85

Addington School · Mon, 3.10pm
Avonhead School · Mon Lunch, 12.45pm
Burnside Primary · Wed Lunch, 12.45pm
Fendalton School · Wed, 3.10pm
Hoon Hay/OIA School’s – Mon, 3.10pm
Horinby School · new · Thurs, 3.10pm
Ilam School · Tues, 3.10pm
Merrin School · Thurs, 3.10pm
Oaklands School · Tues, 3.10pm
Paparoa St School · Thurs, 3.10pm
Riccarton School · Fri, 3.10pm
Roydvale School · Fri, 3.10pm
Russley School · Wed, 3.10pm
Sockburn School · Thurs, 3.10pm
Somerville School · Fri, 3.10pm
Tai Tapu School, Tues Lunch, 12.45pm
Westburn School · Fri, 3.10pm
* After School Clinics run 3.10pm-
4.10pm
* Lunch Clinics run 12.45pm-1.30pm

BOOK EARLY & SAVE

Use the voucher code ‘earlybird’ before 3rd May to save $5!

Website: https://kellysports.co.nz/christchurch-south-west
Contact: Ross McAuley
Email: chch@kellysports.co.nz
Phone: 020 4064 4859
Facebook: www.facebook.com/KSportsCHCH
Rowley Cluster

When: Wednesday 3.30 – 4.30pm
Starting: Wednesday 3rd May (week 1 of term two)
Finishing: Monday 3rd July
Where: Rowley Ave School
Cost: $5.50 per person

Come along to 10 weeks of fun, large ball, balance, movement and ball skills with a festival/fancy dress day on the last week.
Register at: http://www.ansport.co.nz/viewform/51553
or
Contact Sara Weeks at unionnetballers@xtra.co.nz or 0279194474

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Canterbury All Breeds Cat Club
National Cat show
4th June 2017
Queens Birthday Weekend
9.00am Till 4.30 pm
YMCA Bishopdale
Harewood Rd, Christchurch
Admission:
Family $20.00
Adult $8.00
Child $5.00
(family is 2 Adults and up to 2 Children)
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