



Hillside Primary School

Newsletter
Friday 12th April 2024.

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Dear Parents and Friends of the School,

The end of term is now upon us and goodness what a busy term we have had! Athletics and swimming took up quite a bit of time early on in the term. We started the Mitey Programme and have been very busy with our first inquiry of the year "Our Stories". Mr Crean from Active Southland has been a regular visitor and has been working with the PAL's team to develop PE activities to involve the whole school.

The Student Council

The Student Council have started the year well. On Thursday they organized a pyjama day which included pop corn and a movie. Great work.

ANZAC Day

The Browns Fire Brigade are going to be holding an ANZAC Day service again this year. Last years' service was an excellent community gathering. Hillside will be taking part. We would love for as many of our children as many of our children to attend. We will be presenting some readings, lay a wreath and present some artwork. We will be meeting at the Fire Station and walking down to the memorial. It would be great to see as many of our families there. People will be gathering at the Fire Brigade before 9.30 and walking down to the memorial. The children have made wreaths with Miss Burr and Mrs Horrell, and they look amazing.

Westpac Chopper Appeal

On Friday 10th May we are very lucky to be visited by the Westpac Chopper Bike Ride. Ritchie McCaw, Nathan Cohen (Olympic Gold Medallist) and Paddy Gower (TV personality) will be visiting our wonderful school. This is their 14th ride and to date have raised \$920k, their goal is to raise \$100k to get over the million dollars. Parents and Caregivers can also attend. The visit will take place at 2.10pm.

We would like to make a contribution, so we will be running a raffle. We would like each family to donate a hamper item starting from next week. We will be giving out raffle cards next week for families to sell over the holidays. These will be drawn on the 9th of May and all cards and payment will need to be returned by Tuesday 7th May.

Storylines Tour

On Thursday 16th May, we will be visited by Author Des Hunt and illustrator and artist Keiran Rynhart. They will be visiting as part of the storylines Tour to talk about their books. Our visitors are two of the best-known writers and illustrators in New Zealand. Des Hunt is famous for books such as Cry for the Taniwha, The Moa cave, Deadly Feathers and many more. Keiren Rynhart books include The New Zealand Art Activity Book, If I was a Banana and Seagull, Seagull. Parents and Caregivers might like to pop along. This event will start at approx. 9.00am

Next Term

Details about our next inquiry will go home early next term. Other highlights for Term 2 are: Cross Country, Book week, Central Cup, Young Einstein, Cultural Week (which will focus on the arts and customs of the countries we are focusing on for our inquiry) to name but a few events that are happening in Term 2.

Community Assembly

On Friday 3rd May we will be having a special assembly where the children will share a selection of work from Term 1. Details will follow when we return to school.

Hillside Home and School

Please find attached the minutes from the last Home and School Meeting. The next Home and School meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th May at 7pm in Room 1.

Have a great holiday break.



Tina Shaw
Principal

Future Dates

End of term 1	12 th April
Start of Term 2	29 th April
Home and School Meeting	7 th May
Community Assembly	3 rd May
Westpac Chopper Appeal	10 th May
Storylines Tour	16 th May
Cross Country	31 st May
Book Week	4 th -7 th June

Certificates

Room 1

The Whole Class –For an excellent terms work.

Zayden Young – For working well with Nadia.

Kristoff Condor – Putting a great deal of effort into his writing.

Evelyn Barrie – Writing an outstanding ANZAC Day Poem.

Shanelle Timpac – Writing an outstanding ANZAC Day Poem.

Stephanie Timpac – Writing an outstanding ANZAC Day Poem.

Zoe Chandler – Writing an outstanding ANZAC Day Poem.

Lachie Martin - Writing an outstanding ANZAC Day Poem.

Lochlan Davidson – Working with great interest on his ANZAC Day poetry.

Room 3

Taylah Holmes - For 25 nights of reading!

Jocelyn Middleton - For your great mathematical thinking! You are using your skip counting so well to solve problems!

Charlie Buchanan- For trying hard to stay focused during writing and getting all your amazing ideas down!

SWIM - SLIDE - SCOOT - BIKE - RUN



**SUNDAY
14 April
2024**



8:30AM - SPLASH PALACE & RUGBY PARK **ENTER NOW**
WWW.SOUTHLANDTRICLUB.CO.NZ
Online entries close: Friday 12 April 2024, 5.00pm

Hillside Primary Pre-School Afternoons

Term 1
Friday 8th March
Friday 12th April

Term 2
Friday 24th May
Friday 21st June

We welcome 3-4 year olds and their parents to come and enjoy two afternoons with us a term to meet the teacher, children and get to know our school environment.

Timetable
1:15 - Arrive
1:20- Classroom Activities
2:20- Assembly

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