St Martins School *Kia Maiangi awe ake te mātauranga* Inspiring a passion for learning

Te Kura o **Hato Mātene**



Newsletter 9 17th June 2021

SCHOOL UPDATE



Congratulations to the children participating in the Strum, Strike, Blow concert at the Horncastle Arena last night. It was wonderful to see you contribute as a massed orchestra. Thanks to Miss Paige Hampton for the time you have given to preparing the children.



Thank you to the SMART Community for the contribution of $2500 to update our sports and PE equipment. This money has been used to buy class sets of equipment for teachers to use during their PE sessions. The children are thoroughly enjoying the opportunity to use the equipment.

We hope that the families of the Y5 / 6 children enjoyed the opportunity to visit classrooms and learn about the varied inquiries that have been completed this term. We thank you for the fabulous turn out of families for this celebration of learning. Our next Celebration of Learning will be on Tuesday 6th July with a school side focus on Matariki.

This week we welcome Cassandra, Harry and Elena to St Martins School. We hope you and your families enjoy being a part of the St Martins School Community.
Next term we welcome back Mrs Caitlin Ross to the school. Caitlin will be returning from maternity leave to join Miss Paige Hampton and Mrs Suzy O'Hara.



Eight teachers who are members of NZEI Te Riu Roa will be attending a paid union meeting on either Thursday 24th June or Friday 25th June, 2 – 3pm. The purpose of these meetings is for teachers to discuss the priorities for the renegotiation of their collective agreement in 2022. Issues being discussed, such as school staffing levels, directly impact on the education of your children. These meetings are a critical component of the negotiation process and it is the legal right of all members to attend a meeting and have their say. Where needed we will share or combine classes so that the school can remain open.



Good luck to the Y5 – 8 Canterbury Cross Country team running next week, let's hope we get some clear weather to dry up the ground a bit.
Next term we will start looking at class numbers for the 2022 school year. To be able to work with our junior school numbers if you have a sibling to enrol or would like to join our school please complete the online enrolment form (https://www.stmartins.school.nz/enrolment/).
As always, if there is anything you would like to discuss, Alice, Leanne and I are often at the Waharoa in the mornings if you want to stop to have a chat.
Enjoy the weekend everyone.
Andrew

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT





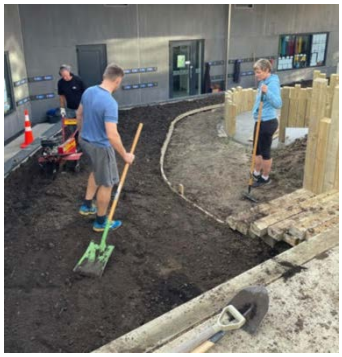
Congratulations to our three Year 5/6 teams and two Year 7/8 teams who have got through the first round of qualifying to go through to the EPro8 competition at South Intermediate.
Rocket Lab - Leah, Connor S, Kahutaiki, Ben O
EJAB - Esme, Jordan, AJ, Ben C
Tech Bombs - Joseph, Katie, Hugo and Tom
Tech 2.0 - Summer , Bodhi, Clem and Adelle
The Smart Squids - Quinn, Daniel, Isla and Jet.
Thank you to Finlay W, our reserve who stepped in when people were absent.
Special mention to the team of Summer, Bodhi, Clem and Adelle who placed first in this part of the competition! Good luck on July 8th.

PROPERTY UPDATE





Thank you to everyone involved with the working bee on the memorial garden during the weekend. This space is really taking shape with the construction of the nests and the pathways. Lovely to have children from last year supporting this new area in memory of Lachie, thanks for giving up your time to help with the garden and also making the mosaics to add to the landscaping. Next on the list will be to add planting by the end of July.
We hope to have the Ministry of Education sign off so the work on the hall can start sometime in the next two weeks. Hopefully by the time we write the next newsletter we will have builders onsite.
Lastly, we may have further building work starting in August. Four classrooms on the west side of the school, two being empty and the other two housing teacher resources and music equipment will be demolished (an anticipated start time is later in August) to make way for two newly built classrooms.





SCHOOL NOTICES

Learning Conferences are being held on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th July this term. School will close at 1pm on Wednesday 7th July to allow for a 1.15pm start. Please remember to book in a time for you and your child to talk with your child's classroom teacher. Bookings will open Monday 21st June and close Monday 5th July.

- Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
- Enter code kc35r
    - or click on the link https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=kc35r
- Enter your name, child's name, room
- Select your child's teacher
- Select the time you would like to meet

If you do not have access to a computer to book online please contact Michele in the office (ph 332-6121 ext 701) to make an appointment for you. School closes at 1pm on Wednesday 7th July to accommodate the learning conferences.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SWE – Ski, Wax, Express – The ski season is almost here, get your rides prepped with these incredible deals. Do you want your children's skis serviced for the season by a local, youth run business for an affordable price? If this sounds like you, contact us at skiwaxexpress@gmail.com or talk to AJ or Finlay Williams at school. For skis up to 15cm length – Wax $10, Wax and edge tune $14.

Free movie at Opawa Community Church, cnr Aynsley Tce and Opawa Rd. Friday 18th June.
7pm – Quigley, A Dog on a Mission. (G Rating)

Cashmere High School presents The Best of Broadway. An evening of musical theatre hits from the stages of Broadway. Tuesday 6th and Thursday 8th July at 7pm. Tickets: Students $5, Adults $15. Available online at www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/best-of-broadway-tickets-157728336701

Parent to Parent – Support Group. Grab a free coffee and chat with other parents and carers who know what it's like to care for a disabled child, a neurodiverse child, or a child with health impairments. Parent to Parent hosts monthly Parent Support Groups during the school term to support parents and carers. Upcoming dates: Fri 18th June, Fri 20th Aug, Fri 17th Sept, Fri 19th Nov from 9.30am to 11.30am. Urban Eatery, Oderings Garden Centre, 92 Stourbridge St, Barrington.
Feel free to show up on the day or email Jo: gtrcanterbury@parent2parent.org.nz

The Homework Club Holiday Programmes are currently taking bookings for the July holidays.
5-9 years' age group based at Cashmere Primary,135 Hackthorne Road.
9-13 years' age group based at Landsdowne Community Centre 8 Landsdowne Terrace, Cashmere
The Club offers a high standard of quality care and operate from 8-6pm during the holidays. We also have an after school care programme that operates during the term time from 3-6pm. You are most welcome to visit our website: www.thehomeworkclub.co.nz or email Sara info@thehomeworkclub.co.nz , for further information.

Kelly Sports July Holiday Programmes – bookings for programmes at Hillview Christian School and Hillmorton High School are now available online. To register and for more information please visit www.kellysports.co.nz/christchurch-east or contact Steve on steve@kellysports.co.nz for more info.

StarJam Christchurch – we're looking for more Jammers aged 6 to 25 (young people with disabilities) who would like to join our workshops. We have spaces in dance, singing and rhythm workshops. To express your interest please email christchurch@starjam.org
We also have a StarJam Community Disco on 9th July from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at Hohepa Hall, 23 Barrington Street. A fun night to celebrate Jammers, their families and friends. Gold coin donation on entry.

Christchurch South Karamata Intermediate School is seeking community consultation on their enrolment zone. You can read about the Ministry of Education's proposal at https://consultation.education.govt.nz/education/christchurch-south-karamata-intermediate-es-amend/ and complete the survey to place your feedback.

ON THE CALENDAR

7	Mon 14 June	Tue 15 June	Wed 16 June	Thu 17 June	Fri 18 June
	Yr 7-8 Antarctic Virtual Reality	Yr 7-8 Antarctic Virtual Reality	GTT Rm 9-10 Yr 7-8 Antarctic Virtual Reality Strum, Strike, Blow Yr 7-8 Zone basketball	Newsletter Yr 7-8 Antarctic Virtual Reality Yr 5-8 Winter Sports	Yr 7-8 Antarctic Virtual Reality Yr 0-2 Huff and Puff
8	Mon 21 June	Tue 22 Jun	Wed 23 June	Thu 24 June	Fri 25 June
	Yr 0-2 Huff and Puff Postponement day Yr 3-4 Cross Country	Life Education Van Yr 3-4 Cross Country Postponement day	GTT Rm 21-22 Life Education Van Yr 5-8 Canterbury Cross Country	Yr 5-8 Winter Sports Life Education Van	Life Education Van Assembly Whānau Group Hui in staffroom
9	Mon 28 June	Tue 29 June	Wed 30 June	Thu 1 July	Fri 2 July
	Life Education Van Year 5-8 Korfball tournament	Life Education Van Yr 0-4 Zone Cross Country	GTT Rm 23 Life Education Van Mufti Day – Theme, Twins and Triplets	Newsletter Life Education Van Yr 5-8 Winter Sports Yr 0-4 Zone Cross Country Postponement	Life Education Van

10	Mon 5 July	Tue 6 July	Wed 7 July	Thu 8 July	Fri 9 July
	Reports Go Home Life Education Van	Life Education Van Celebration of Learning	Yr 7-8 Netball Festival Learning Conferences 1pm to 5.30pm School closes at 1pm	Learning Conferences 3pm to 7.30pm	Last day of Term 2 Assembly

