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What's Coming up? - He aha kei tua?

Save the Dates! (we will add to this as other events are planned)

Date	Event
Sat 3 November	Jump Jam Competition
Wed 7 November	Welcome Wednesday - Reporting to Parents - Using Linc Ed
Wed 7 November	North Zone Athletics
Wed 7 November	Year 4 Parent evening (for parents of 2019 Year 5 students) 1:1 Chromebook Programme
Fri 9 November	Assembly
Wed 14 November	Strike - School Closed
Fri 16 Nov	Show Day - School Closed
Wed 21 November	Tough Kids Challenge
Thurs 22 November	Jubilate Mass (only choir involved)
Frid 23 November	Assembly @ 11am
Tues 27 Nov	Kapa haka Celebration Tumu Beach Ed
Wed 28 Nov	Canterbury Primary Sport Triathlon Tumu Beach Ed
Tues 4 Dec	Market Day
Wed 5 Dec	Canterbury Primary Sport Athletics
Fri 7 Dec	Assembly @ 11am
Tues 11 Dec	Year 7 Leadership Day Year 8 Retreat Day Sports Awards
Mon 17 Dec	1pm Junior Prizegiving 6pm Senior Prizegiving More information to come
Tues 18 Dec	Last day of school year - School Mass @ 11am School finishes at 12pm

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Special Character

Last Tuesday we celebrated the blessing of our new school hall. Bishop Paul officiated and it was a special occasion for our school community. Yesterday we celebrated All Saints Day with our school and parish community in the school hall. It was a great opportunity for the school and parish to come together in prayer.



Principal Awards

Kākano	Paiaka	Tumu	Kaupeka
Ashlyn McKinnell Dylan Kent Nia Noronha Jack Burney Christian Nottingham Patrick Dibnah Chloe Bloxham Esther Newton Noah Court Eduardo Fernandez-Moscoso	Sophie McGuire Ruby Widdowson Sid Lapojapo Lucy Ryneerson Selah Nelson Travis Mountford	Mereana Morgan Caitlin Kent-McConigley Matthias O'Sullivan Willem Schulte Blake Adriaens Nicolaas van Wieren Isabella Vaiese Lexi Parkyn	Max Kirk Jakob Blazey Alexis Elliot Anna Colvin Olivia Chambers Charley Ansett

From the Principal Te Pū kāea a te Tumuaki

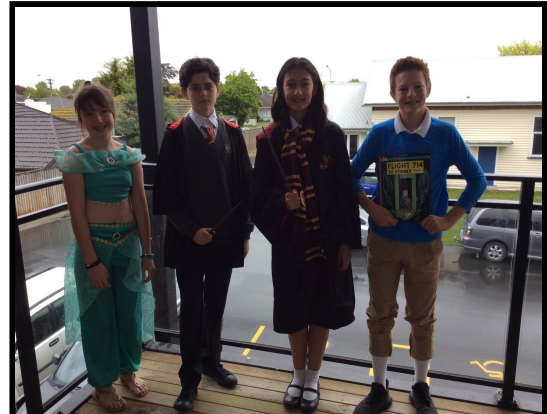
Week three has just flown by - the weather has not been great but we have still had a fun week at school.

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Book Week - Dress up Day

Thanks for the fabulous effort that went into helping your children dress up for Book Character Day. The children looked amazing and we had a fantastic day. It was great to have the hall to parade in.

The winners of the dress up competition were announced at the assembly today and the children were given prizes from Mrs Mackay.



Thank you so much to Mrs Mackay for all the organisation of the Book Week activities this week - we all really appreciate your enthusiasm for books and our library!! You are a star!

Jump Jam Team

Our Jump Jam Team is performing in the regional competitions this weekend. We look forward to seeing this performance and we wish them well! Thanks so much to Miss Smith-Palmer, the work you have done with this team is amazing and we wish you all well for the competition tomorrow.

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Kids in Town

Yesterday some of our children performed at the Art Gallery for the Kids in Town programme. Congratulations to our Ukulele group, our Senior Singing group and our Jump Jam team - your performances were amazing. We were very proud of you all. Thanks to all the teachers that were involved in preparing the students for these events.



Reporting to Parents

Periodically during the term you will have been receiving email notifications to alert you to new achievement information that has been posted for your child/ children.

Please talk to your child's teacher if you have any questions about this digital reporting system.

We are aiming to provide you with up to four updates per term. When you receive the email confirmation you can click on the blue link and it will take you straight to the piece of work or evidence, a faster process than going to your log in.

Teachers update the progressions regularly so keep an eye on the curriculum circles at least once a term so that you can see your child's progress as they work towards their goals.

We will run another session for those parents who are interested next Wednesday morning at 9am - and we will also attempt to record the session for those who are unable to make it.

Can you help?

Kia ora e te whanau,

On Saturday 27th of October, our aunty, uncle and cousins lost their home and all possessions to a house fire in Levin.

As a koha from our school community, the proceeds from the sausage sizzle on Wednesday next week will be kindly donated to our whanau, to help them get back on their feet.

Alternatively, I have set up a Give a Little page if you would like to donate that way:

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<https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/everything-gone-in-house-fire>

Your support would be greatly appreciated, and any amount donated would be amazing.

Ahakoā he iti, he pounamu.

Despite being small, it is of great value.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou,

Mereana and Tyrell Morgan

Citius, Altius, Fortius - Faster, Higher, Stronger

Good luck to our team of Athletes who will compete at the North Zone Athletics next week. We have a large contingent of athletes who qualified for this event at our Athletics held last week.

School Calendar

This link will take you to our School Events Calendar. We have also put all the upcoming dates into the table above in the newsletter. We will keep this updated for you but feel free to ring the office if you have any queries.

Prizegiving (*from last time*)

This year we are going to trial holding two separate prize givings. They will be held in our hall onsite - the first time we will have been able to do this since the school opened.

The Junior Prizegiving will be held on Monday 17 December at 1pm and the Senior Prizegiving will be held on Monday 17 October at 6pm.

All children are expected to attend their event. Kapa haka, Choir and Jump Jam will perform at each event. More information to follow

Website

We now have a new website and we encourage you to check it out when you can. There is an a-z of information which we hope will answer many of your queries. If you find there is anything missing let us know - we can add it straight away. There are parts of the new website that are not quite finished however if you experience any glitches at all - please let us know so that we can fix them straight away.

2019 Dates

Dates for the 2019 school year have been decided. The first day of school will be Thursday 31 January. Term dates are as follows:

Term 1: Thursday 31 January - Friday 12 April

Term 2: Monday 29 April - Friday 2 July

Term 3: Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

Term 4: Monday 14 October - Thursday 19 December (TBC)

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School Jackets

If you would like to order a school jacket, please fill out the following form:

<https://goo.gl/forms/9Um9FoSSG4u9ZEUy2>

Community Notices - Ngā pānui a te hapori	
<p>Can you Assist?</p> <p>A group of women in Aranui make sleeping mats for the homeless out of plastic bags. They are running out of plastic shopping/supermarket bags. If you have any at home to spare, please drop them into the parish office during office hours.</p>	<p>Soul2Sole Fitness</p> <p>If you are interested in yoga/Pilates courses, Yoga and Dance Workshops. Please contact Robyn Anderson 0274592553</p>
<p>Music Lessons</p> <p>Music lessons: for lessons in bass, guitar, recorder, ukulele and flute during break times, call Ivan on 021 120 0080 Shirley District Music School Semester 2 2018 Enrolments</p> <p>SDMS (Shirley District Music School) is opening up enrolments for semester 2 for:</p> <p>`Cello, Clarinet, Flute, Recorder, Saxophone, Trombone, Trumpet.</p> <p>Consideration will be given for Guitar, Keyboard, Percussion, Piano & Violin if the teacher has any available spaces.</p> <p>Some lessons can be given in your school , others would be at Shirley Intermediate after school. Tuition fees for Semester 2: \$80.00</p> <p>To enrol for tuition please see the SDMS website and search for enrolments</p> <p>For more information please contact</p>	<p>Free Dental Care for Children</p> <p>One of our Community Dental Service preventive mobiles will be visiting your school soon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We will be aiming to see that all school age children enrolled with the Community Dental Service have their dental check-up in the dental mobile while it is there.• To do this we will be asking the school to provide your child's name, address and your contact information.• The dental therapist will not only be checking the children's teeth but will also Xray, clean, and apply protective treatments fluoride and or Fissure sealants (coating put on teeth to prevent decay) if required.• If your child requires further dental care such as fillings they will bring home a 'Care Plan' which will explain what dental care and appointment times are required• When you receive the 'Care Plan'

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<p>Janet Simon SDMS Acting Music Director, Flute & Recorder Teacher Phone: 323 6502 or 027 312 4562 Email: flutecookjanet.simon@gmail.com</p>	<p>please contact our Call Centre as soon as possible as you will need to arrange a time to bring your child to one of our Community Clinics for this dental care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please let us know ASAP if you do not wish your child to have any of this care, you can talk to the staff in the mobile or phone/email our Call Centre • If you wish to be present at your child's check up this will need to take place at our community clinic so please phone/email our Call Centre to make an appointment • Please contact our Call Centre if you want further information on the Community Dental Service, to enrol your child or if you have any specific questions about your child's dental care (a dental therapist will call you back) <p>To contact our Call Centre: phone 0800 846 983 / email commdental@cdhb.health.nz</p>
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MHERC are frequently funded to offer free community workshops, this November we are hosting two free parenting workshops and are wanting to reach the community as effectively as possible.

If you find that these workshops may be applicable to you, please register through the following links:

<https://mherc.arlo.co/courses/340-managing-anxiety-and-building-resilience-in-your-children>

<https://mherc.arlo.co/courses/341-managing-anxiety-and-building-resilience-in-your-teens>

Managing Anxiety and Building Resilience in Your Children and Teens

Dates: Children focused workshop - Tuesday 13 November 2018, 6.30pm - 8.00pm Teen focused workshop - Tuesday 27 November 2018, 6.30pm - 8.00pm

Cost: Free (Cancellation fee may apply)

Venue: MHERC, 116 Marshland Road, Shirley, Christchurch **Refreshments provided**

This workshop will help participants to understand anxiety in children and teens. Learn about different strategies and skills to help your young person manage anxiety/stress, and help them build resiliency.

- Understand how anxiety works in the body and mind
- Feel more confident to manage anxiety in your young people
- Understand resilience and building resilience in your children/teens
- Parenting strategies and skills to support children/teens
- Share and discuss with other parents and build shared knowledge in a confidential setting
- Take-away resources and ideas