



St Martins School

Kia Maiaangi awe ake te mātauranga
Inspiring a passion for learning



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“INSPIRING A PASSION FOR LEARNING”

Kia ora Whānau - Greetings everyone.

What an amazing term we have had at St Martins School and what a fantastic way for us to finish with our Whole School Production “Sky on Friday”.

Congratulations must go to our wonderful children who have been ‘key’ to the success and richness of our performance. This has been a ‘child focussed’ event with class dance choreography being devised by the children themselves, and stage production department areas being led by a spectacular team of student leaders. Special thanks to our Performing Arts team of Trudy Rowe and Amy Kenel who have co-ordinated this performance and worked with our teachers and children to produce a very high quality performance. Thanks also to our teachers, support staff and a group of very helpful parents for being there to make sure all these many essential things were able to happen. This has truly been a wonderfully creative collaboration. Thanks again to everyone who has contributed to and supported this major production.

Over the break time there will be some minor modifications made to Rooms 4 and 5, and Rooms 6 and 7 to allow for easier collaboration between the classes. An opening will be made between Rooms 4 and 5 and 6 and 7, and the storage area will be reconfigured. Work starts in week one of the holidays and will be completed early in the second week ready for the new term.

You will have noticed that most of the pathway work is now completed and the ‘humps and bumps’ have been smoothed off. This is only a temporary solution and in due course the entire pathways will be relaid.

Lost property - the pile of school and mufti clothing in the lost property area is now a mountain! And we still have many unclaimed scooters. If you feel you are missing please do come to the office and have a look - sometimes a ‘parent look’ is much more effective than just asking your child to have a look at lost property. Scooters are stored in Mr Rea’s shed, but if he is not at his shed please come and see one of the staff in the office.

We close for the end of term at 3pm this Friday and we have an action packed ‘end of term’ assembly. starting at 1.30pm in the hall. Our rock band will be playing, the Year 3-6 choir will sing and there will be our end of term certificates. Please feel free to join us.

Term 3 starts on Monday July 20th. We wish you a very happy and safe holiday break.

Kind regards
Rob Callaghan

Term Dates to Remember

July 3

Last day of Term 2 - school finishes at 3pm

July 20

Term Three begins

July 28

Year 4-8 Reporting

Conferences

School closes at 12.30pm

for all students.

July 29

Zones sports tournament

July 30

Year 4-8 reporting

Conferences. School

closes at the usual

time of 3pm.

August 14

School Disco - Juniors

5.30pm to 7pm and Seniors

7.30pm to 9pm.

August 27

Canterbury Winter

Tournament

September 3

Postponement date for

Canty Winter Tournament

Student Achievements



Baxter in Room 18, Year 8 was one of the FIFA flag bearers at the Under 20 Football World Cup. This was a fantastic experience for him and he got to go behind the scenes, meet some of the players and walk out onto the pitch. He was selected from his Federation Talent Centre group and held the flag at three matches including the semi-final. (Baxter is the front left flag bearer in the picture.)

Maia in Room 8, Year 6, has just competed at the Otago championships. She gained a 3rd overall placing out of 14 competitors. She was first in her rope routine and 2nd in her ribbon routine.



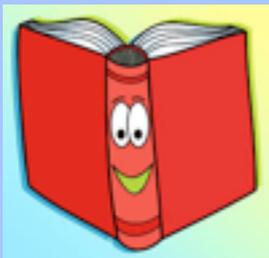
Fantastic results, Maia - you must feel very proud of your results as we are sure you work hard to achieve them!



Last weekend Katie in Room 5, Year 2, Jessica in Room 8, Year 5 and Scarlett in Room 21, Year 3 went to Blenheim for the Marlborough Gymnastics Championships. Scarlett and Katie both got bronze medals in the Step 1 overs and unders respectively.

What a fantastic effort all of you put into this competition. Your hard work has paid off!

Off the Shelf



The holidays are nearly here and what better time to be armed with a few books to snuggle down with on a cold winter's day! Proving VERY popular with the Year 3/4's at the moment is the Time Hunters series by Chris Blake, literally never any on the shelves and waiting lists for all titles. James Dashner is proving popular in the Senior Fiction section, the Maze Runner series in particular. A great book, also in Senior Fiction, is Trash by Andy Mulligan, soon to become a film which will undoubtedly increase it's popularity, but well worth a read before seeing the film. Whatever you and your children choose to read over the holiday enjoy!

School News

Year 4-8 Reporting Conferences Term 3 2015

Tuesday 28th July - from 1.30pm and Thursday 30th July - from 3.30pm
PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 12.30PM ON TUESDAY 28th JULY FOR ALL STUDENTS

Creche available in the library for children not attending conferences

Booking Online

Website: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Event code: **2XUCC**

Bookings Open Now

Online bookings close 2.00pm Monday 27th July. If you are unable to book online please phone the school and we will book an appointment for you.



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SMART Governance - News from the BoT

- We're thrilled to approve the costs for alterations to room 4/5/6. This will enable these classes to work more collaboratively. The work will happen over the school holidays.
- We are working with the Ministry of Education to procure the architect for the rebuild of our school. This is a big project, and we're excited to be making a start.

St Martins School continues to collect old mobile phones for the Starship Children's Hospital.

Three great reasons to recycle your old phones:

1. Recycling phones raises funds for Starship Hospital
2. Recycling phones helps reduce the amount of hazardous waste that ends up in our landfills.
3. Recycling phones enables our school to gain exciting rewards.

Put your old phones in the Drop box in the School Office



Dental Care over the School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will operate an emergency service over the school holidays. This service is to provide relief of pain only and will not undertake 'routine' treatment. The service will be available each working day from 8:30am until

12:30pm from the Hillmorton Community Clinic, Sylvan Street, Christchurch for the following times:

Tuesday, 7th July to Friday, 10th July 2015 (excluding weekends)
and

Monday, 13th July to Friday, 17th July 2015 (excluding weekends)

This service will operate by appointment only and if we are unable to see your child, alternative options will be given. If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

You can phone and make an appointment for the emergency clinic by ringing 0800 846 983.

Community News

Circuit Training with Janelle Waldron on Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting at 8.45am at the School hall. Everyone is welcome. Be fit, lose weight and tone up. All levels of fitness are catered for. \$8.00 per session. Come along and have a go! Janelle is a registered Personal Trainer. Call her on 337-1200 or 027-4642041 for more details.



Mainland Football outdoors

Age: 7-14 year olds. **Dates:** 13, 14, 15 July **Times:** 9-00am - 3-00pm

Venue: ASB Football Park **Cost:** \$35 per day (\$90 for three consecutive days)
10% discount for second child in family

Mainland Football have an inside facility suitable for inside activities. This includes indoor skills sessions as well as player development quiz's, presentations and task's. In case of bad weather please bring a towel and a full change of clothes as we try and get outside for some part of the day. For more information: www.mainlandfootball.co.nz



During the second week of the July school holidays (13-17th), **CPIT is staging Sportastic**, a fun, affordable holiday programme for sporty 9 to 12 year olds. Run by CPIT's sports science team in our fabulous new science and wellbeing facility, Sportastic offers diverse sporting experiences for children who enjoy being active. Activities will include a wide range of team sports (from soccer and netball to self defense and modified games) plus a daily sports science session and some chill-out time. Sportastic costs \$200 for the week and bookings can be made [online](http://online.cpit.ac.nz) at cpit.ac.nz.



Christchurch City Libraries after school programmes

The South Learning Centre at South Library, Beckenham, has a range of after school programmes starting in Term 3. All of the workshops are at an amazing cost of \$20.00 per term.

Girls Zone is on Mondays from 3.30pm to 5pm on Mondays and is a technology/computer skills workshop for girls aged 10 to 13 years.

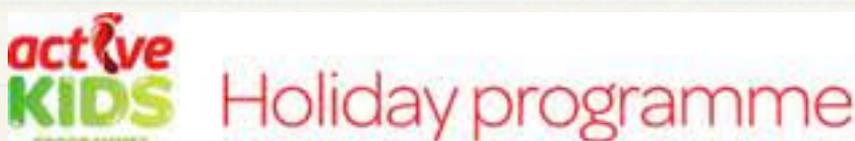
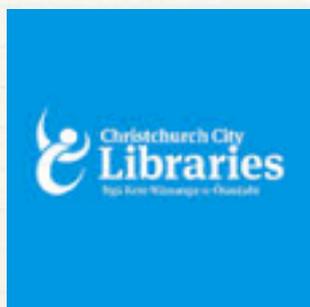
Workshop Club is on Tuesdays from 3.30pm to 5pm on Tuesdays and is a

technology/computer skills workshop for children aged 10 to 13 years.

eBook Club is on Wednesdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm and is a workshop to create stories, book reviews and blog posts plus much more. For children aged 8 to 12 years.

Minecraft Club for Girls is on Saturdays from 2.30pm to 3.30pm. This is for girls aged 8 to 13 years.

To make a booking or to find out more please **phone** 941 5140 or **email** learningcentre@ccc.govt.nz



The July school holidays are approaching fast.... Sport Canterbury have action packed programmes with exciting activities and awesome excursions open for bookings now! Active Kids is an exciting structured programme of sport, physical activity and play for primary school aged children. The programmes are safe and affordable; there are a number of programme/venue options to suit you and your children's needs. Visit our website for full details: www.sportcanterbury.org.nz