



## Inspiring a passion for Learning

### Kia ora Whānau - Greetings everyone

As the year progresses our roll continues to grow, not only with 5 year olds starting but with many new families moving into our zone, meaning children are joining classes at all year levels.

The Ministry of Education has been supportive in light of our building project and have eased the pressure for gaining staffing, especially to cater for New Entrant growth. We have now engaged Charlotte Bates to work with Peta Berry in our New Entrant class, part time initially and becoming full time by the end of this term.

If you do have, or know of someone who is in our zone and intending to come to St Martins School, please encourage them to let us know and enrol early. Advance warning really helps with planning.

The building is continuing to progress at a rapid rate. The walls are up and next Monday we expect the floor to be poured. This may mean some temporary access and parking issues behind the hall leading to less on street parking, but we will let you know of the developments as they arise. Following the pouring of the floor slab there may also be some other disruptions as the structural steel for the building arrives and is installed. This is all expected to happen before the end of this term.

With the road works and the build happening we do encourage parents and caregivers to take extra care and be patient when delivering or collecting children from school in the morning and afternoon. There have been a few very close calls, and also some illegal traffic behaviours. We do need all parents and caregivers to be responsible and lawful in their traffic behaviours.

Kind regards  
Rob Callaghan

### Teacher Only Day

In the last two newsletters and in a School Links emailed to you, we advised you of a Teacher Only Day that will be held on **Friday 14th September. School will be closed for the day.** This also affects the date school will close for the year. The last day of school will now be Monday 17th December 2018, when we have our final Prize-giving assembly and finish at lunchtime.

For the 2019 school year, the students will start back on Monday 4th February 2019 and school will end on Friday 20th December 2019.

## Students doing amazing things!



**Bodhi from Room 3 in the Discoverers 2 Pod loves gymnastics.** He practices 2 to 4 times a week. On Saturday 25th August Bodhi took part in the Canterbury Junior Championships. He competed in six different apparatuses. Bodhi came first in the Floor, High Bar, Rings and Parallel Bars. Bodhi came second in the Volt and Mushroom apparatus. Bodhi won Level 1 Mag Boys in Canterbury. Next week he is going to compete at the South Island Gymnastics Competition. Well done Bodhi - that is such an amazing effort. Your practice has really paid off!

On Wednesday 29th August, the Year 7/8 Syndicate sent four teams of three to represent the school at the **Otago Times Extra! Canterbury Current Events Quiz** held at Cobham Intermediate. The team of Dilkee, Oliver and Stella achieved first place - 6 points ahead of *Christchurch South Intermediate* and *Cobham Intermediate* who placed 2nd and 3rd respectively. Our other three teams all placed in the top 15 out of over 50 participating teams.



Congratulations to the following students who represented our school to such a high standard: Dilkee, Stella, Oliver, Meg, Rose, Orla, Jenna, Jimmy, Dominic, Grace, Olivia and Poppy.

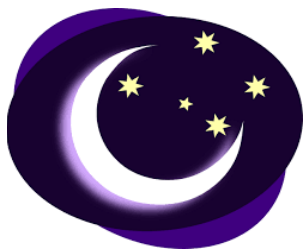
### Canterbury Sport Reps - Netball, Basketball and Rugby

Congratulations to **Cara Reid (Year 8)**, **Stella Shields (Year 7)** and **Emma Cartwright (Year 8)** who strongly represented Canterbury in the Year 8 Dunedin Netball Tournament on Sunday 26th August. Cara made the Canterbury Primary Schools' Netball A team, who placed 1st in the tournament. Stella and Emma played in the Canterbury Primary Schools' Netball B team and placed 6th. They played teams from Dunedin, Otago, Wakatipu, Upper Clutha and Invercargill.

Congratulations to **Brayden Hill (Year 7)** who was recently named in the Canterbury Under 13 Basketball team who will play in the Nelson Tournament. **Cruz Brown (Year 7)** has also made the Canterbury Metro Team. Great job boys!

Congratulations to **Jimmy Sutton (Year 8)** who was recently named in the Canterbury Rugby Under 48kg team. He is training with the team for a tournament later in the year. Ka pai!

# School Notices



There is another place  
Where everlasting dreams reach out  
And take hold of your mind.

There is another moon  
That crowns you with serenity  
Creating peace amongst others.

There is another ocean  
That carries you away  
To another realm  
With the secrets of the future.

**Vasilisa Matviets Year 6, Room 17**

 **HUNTSBURY**

 **RĀPAKI**

 **GLENELG**

 **BOWENVALE**

The **St Martins School house t-shirts** are the perfect thing for school Athletics Day and other fun school events. We are sending through another order to the supplier so come to the office to order your Huntsbury, Rāpaki, Glenelg or Bowenvale house t-shirt for the great price of \$15. **Orders need to be in by the end of this term** and should be available at the start of Term 4. We don't buy in extra stock so you need to order if you want one.

## Thanks Coach



Year 5&6 teachers and students would like to thank the coaches of Hagley sport teams, **Steve Anngow, Darren Patterson, John Newsom, Sally Hickling, Libby Cook, Tracey Allsopp, and all the parent helpers for Hansen Park sport.** We all greatly appreciate your willingness to give up your time, run practices and share your skills and passion for sport with the students. We had some very good results with the Hockey Y5 team winning B grade, Netball A team winning A grade and Football B team coming first in their grade. All the students enjoyed their

opportunity to learn new skills and/or play competitive games against other schools.



**Return of sports uniforms** - If you were in the Year 5 to 8 sports teams that went to Hagley Sports, or played in the basketball or netball teams - or had a school sports uniform for any other reason then we need them back. **Please make sure that you wash and dry them** please before returning them.

Some students may need their sports uniform for the Year7-8 Koru Games. If this is the case then please return them after the Koru Games.



# ST MARTINS SCHOOL

Production of



Music by  
**STEPHEN FLAHERTY**

Lyrics by  
**LYNN AHRENS**

Book by LYNN AHRENS and STEPHEN FLAHERTY

Co-Conceived by LYNN AHRENS, STEPHEN FLAHERTY and ERIC IDLE

Based on the Works of DR. SEUSS

by arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd Exclusive agent for Music  
Theatre International (NY)

## **Hillview Christian School Gymnasium**

150 Wilsons Road, St Martins

### **Wednesday 26th September**

1:30pm Matinee

7:00pm Showtime

### **Thursday 27th September**

11:30am Matinee

7:00pm Showtime

Tickets will go on sale at the beginning of week 8  
and can be bought from the school office





# *Year 7/8* **Open Night** *St Martins School*

Come along to meet our year 7/8 teachers and learn about the special programmes that are only available to our 7/8 students at St Martins. See students showcasing their amazing work and listen to some ex-St Martins students share their experiences of transitioning to High School.

**Monday**  
**Sept 17**  
**6:30 - 7:30**  
**Room**  
**18 & 19**



St Martins School

## More School Notices



Thank you to all the students and their parents who made such wonderful cupcakes for the KidsCan fundraiser. KidsCan is a great charity that provides basics like healthcare, shoes and clothes to children in need. We raised about \$360.00 from selling the yummy cupcakes - what a great effort! If you left your container at school please remember to come and collect it from the school office.

### The Plight of the Bees Group

Our bees are dying because of neonicotinoids in pesticides. This harmful chemical kills bees every day. Neonicotinoid is a form of nicotine which is in cigarettes. A cigarette takes 12 seconds off your life so that's about 12 months off a bees life and bees only live for three months, so that will kill it instantly! Our bees are super important to this planet. When bees die we have 3-4 years left of fruit and vegetables to live with. Do you really want this to happen? Please spread the word to get others in our community to stop using pesticides with neonicotinoids in them. Thank you from the Year 5/6 Eco Action Group.



Not long until you can register for the Sanitarium Weetbix Kids Tryathlon! We have registered the school as a group so we will let you know when registrations open and the link to the school group. The Tryathlon is to be held on Sunday 24th February at Jellie Park.

**We have 15 free entries to give away.** So if you are going to enter the Weetbix Kids Tryathlon and would like to be in the draw for one of the free entries then **get your name, room number and your parents contact email to Michele by Friday 21st September.**

You can drop the details in to Michele in the office or email [micheles@stmartins.school.nz](mailto:micheles@stmartins.school.nz)



**School Office Hours** - A reminder that the school office opens at 8am each morning (except Mondays when the office may not be staffed until 8.30am due to staff meetings). The office closes at 3.30pm each day. Diane, Kate, Michele and Megan are available to help you with any queries including uniform purchases.

# Community Notices



**CHESS POWER**  
GROWING KIDS MINDS  
*presents*

\* A fun, social Chess Tournament open to all players ... ages 4 to 18  
\* 6 games at 15 mins per player  
\* Five divisions - suits all player levels  
\* Lots of fun activities, puzzles and our  
**FAMOUS LOLLI SCRAMBLE!!**

**THE SARAPU CUP**

*Venue*  
Canterbury Indoor Bowls

*Date*  
Sunday 16 Sept 2018

*Time*  
1:00pm - 5:30pm

*Location*  
25 Kearney Road  
Wainoni, Christchurch

*Entry fee*  
\$20 per player

Enter Online [www.chesspower.co.nz](http://www.chesspower.co.nz)

Click Tournaments, Upcoming Regional Tournaments  
**PERFECT FOR BEGINNERS!**

**CHRISTCHURCH**



Rotary Club of Christchurch South -  
Youth Committee

**STORYTELLING  
COMPETITION**

Tuesday 11th September 2018 - 6:30pm

**YEAR 7 AND 8**

**BECKENHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL**

Friends and family welcome  
Supper provided

MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT  
SHIRLEY HARRIS - [SHIRLEYHARRIS28@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SHIRLEYHARRIS28@GMAIL.COM)



**Check out [kellysports.co.nz](http://kellysports.co.nz) for details of their holiday programme** for the October School holidays. Programmes for children aged 5 to 13 years at three different locations in Christchurch including Hillview Christian School in St Martins. Sessions available to suit - half day, 'school day', full day or full week. OSCAR subsidies may be available.

**Summer is coming!**

Register now to play  
junior cricket at your local club!

Boys & Girls  
All ages  
All Skill Levels  
All over Christchurch

Visit [www.cjca.org.nz](http://www.cjca.org.nz)

Christchurch Junior Cricket Association



**Heathcote Cricket Club Junior Membership -**  
Registration Day Sept 22, 9am to 12pm  
Saturday morning cricket for Year 4 to 8. Friday night 'Have a Go' cricket from 5.30pm to 6.30pm.  
Cnr Port Hills Rd and Bridle Path Rd ph 3845600  
[www.heathcotecricket.co.nz](http://www.heathcotecricket.co.nz)

# More Community Notices



**LEARN TO SAIL** Christchurch Yacht Club Monck's Bay, Redcliffs Year 5 to 8 - enrol now to secure your place. More information including dates, times and fees can be found on [www.cyc.net.nz](http://www.cyc.net.nz) You can also contact Jo Hooker [secretary@cyc.net](mailto:secretary@cyc.net) ph 9440788, or ph 0272112266 for more information.



**Looking for something different** for your child to do during the school holidays then have them **join the holiday programmes at the International Antarctic Centre** during the October school holidays. They can join the Experience Antarctica, Husky Musher or Penguin Keeper programmes. All information and bookings are on the website [www.iceberg.co.nz](http://www.iceberg.co.nz)



**Mr Science and friends put on a WOW show!** Fun and educational! Sensational science demonstrations on stage, audience participation, fun for all ages. Join us on a magical journey exploring the excitement of FLYING, FLOATING, GLIDING and SHOOTING! Mr Science (Sterling Cathman) is a specialist primary science teacher and has been working with kids and teachers for the past 10 years in school around NZ. Tickets [www.MrScience.co.nz](http://www.MrScience.co.nz)



**Circus Open Day** - Saturday Sept 20th 1.30pm to 3.30pm. Roy Stokes Hall, 146 Seaview Rd, New Brighton. Gold Coin entry.



**The Pink Star Walk 2018** is back on, here in the heart of Christchurch! Join the Breast Cancer Foundation at North Hagley Park on the 10th November. Walk for the ones we love as we raise funds for breast cancer awareness, research and education. Register online at [www.pinkstarwalk.co.nz](http://www.pinkstarwalk.co.nz) Early bird tickets closing 7th September.

## 5 to 7 September

Navigators 1 camp at Living Springs

## 10 to 12 September

Navigators 2 camp at Living Springs

## 13 September

Year 7 and 8 ski trip to Mount Hutt

## 14 September

Teacher Only Day - school closed

## 18 to 20 September

Year 7 and 8 Koru Games

## 19 to 21 September

Navigators 3 camp at Living Springs

## 18 to 20 September

Year 0-2 Conferences from 3.30pm to 6pm. If you need to book go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) Code **j75zr**



*The S'Mart Community is the St Martins School parent community (replacing the PTA and fundraising committees) that helps the school by fundraising, giving practical support and by helping develop a stronger parent community. Check out our website for more details: <https://www.smartcommunity.org.nz/>*

## RAFFLE and QUIZ NIGHT THANK YOU!

A Huge Thank-You to all the St Martins families who worked so hard at selling the Raffle tickets - we appreciate all your hard work and together with your help we have raised over \$7000 for our School to go towards future plans for the School Hall.

### ***Top Raffle Seller!***

We have a winner for the top raffle ticket seller in St Martins School!  
Congratulations to Jerome Lea Tuilau who has been outstanding in his commitment to selling the most raffle books!!  
He has been working super hard at selling his tickets and we are really impressed with all his amazing efforts in raising money for our school!!  
Well done Jerome - your \$50 Westfield voucher will be with you soon!!!

Also, a massive thank you to everyone who came along to our Quiz Night. What an amazing turnout! We appreciate your support, and hope you had a fabulous time.

Thank you to the people and businesses that contributed prizes towards our raffle, quiz night, and silent auction - it would be great if everyone could support our sponsors! Congratulations to all winners!



**Christchurch**  
*attractions*

CITY TRAM TOUR • GONDOLA • PUNTING  
GRAND TOUR • BOTANIC GARDENS TOUR  
TRAM RESTAURANT



AT THE  
**VETS**  
veterinary clinic



**LINDEN LEAVES**



## Working Bee

Make a note of our next Working Bee.

Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>

9am – 12:00pm

Come along and help doing a variety of jobs around our School.

A yummy morning tea is provided!



## SmartTouch 2018!



We're looking forward to another awesome season of Touch next term starting in week 1. We had 50 teams last year, from 6 schools! Hopefully you've seen some of the posters around school.

Think about coaching! If you've never played touch it doesn't matter as we will be offering a workshop run through Touch Canterbury to give you the skills you will need. The Year 0-4 referees also help coach the kids on the field during games.

Get your form into the office if you'd like to play touch next term and you don't already have a team that is re-entering again this season. Contact Rochelle Kingi with any queries regarding team placements [rochellejkingi@gmail.com](mailto:rochellejkingi@gmail.com)

Entries close Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September, last day of term 3. See the attached flyer for dates, times and costs.

Steps to register:

1. Fill out the individual entry form or get a team organised and appoint a team manager and coach.
2. Team manager to enter online using the URL address [www.sporty.co.nz/smarttouch](http://www.sporty.co.nz/smarttouch)
3. On the Smarttouch home page fill out the touch team manager sign up form and submit it.
4. You will then receive an email giving you the link to enter your player details. Please fill these out before the season starts.

Remember the competition is social MIXED and you need to have a minimum of 3 girls on the field at a time except year 0-2. Grades: Year 0-2, Year 3-4, Year 5-6, and Year 7-8.

**Help:** There will be information coming soon so you can sign up for some duties on signup genius.

Looking forward to seeing lots of St Martins families down at Waltham Park.

From the Smarttouch Team.

\*\*\*\*If you're keen to know what S'Mart Community events are coming up why not sign up to receive email reminders at [www.smartcommunity.org.nz](http://www.smartcommunity.org.nz)? \*\*\*\*

Come join the fun!  
**ST MARTINS**

# Smart touch

**TWILIGHT TOUCH RUGBY**



**Price includes referees and bibs so teams don't have to buy a team top.**

**Enter your team now.**

**Payment by first playing night.**

**\$30 PER  
PLAYER**

**WHAT:** Mixed grade touch rugby

**WHO:** Year 0-8 students

**WHERE:** Waltham Park

**WHEN:** Thursday, 18 Oct to 6 Dec

**GRADES/TIMES:** YEAR 0-2 & 3-4

**4.30-5.30pm**

**YEAR 5-6 & 7-8**

**5.30-7.00pm**

**EMAIL:** [smart.touch@stmartins.school.nz](mailto:smart.touch@stmartins.school.nz)

Online registrations open 20th August at [www.sporty.co.nz/smarttouch](http://www.sporty.co.nz/smarttouch)  
For coaching help contact Touch Canterbury office: [admin@touchcanterbury.co.nz](mailto:admin@touchcanterbury.co.nz)  
Closing date for entries: 28th September 2018