



St Martins School

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Newsletter 7

18th June 2020

Thanks for coming in and visiting the classrooms, nice to see so many people coming through the school now that we are at Alert Level One. We are back into the swing of directed reading, writing and maths groups. A number of classes have been involved in hands on science activities during the afternoon topic sessions. Lots of rich discussions going on about the science being observed.

We invite parents of children starting during the remainder of the year to come along on Wednesday 24th June from 9 – 10.30am to meet with Mrs Charlotte Bates, our lead teacher of transition to school, to hear about our Junior programme and the experiences we offer the New Entrant children. We will be meeting in Toe Toe in the Whare Kūkūwai, feel free to join us in this space or pop up to the Office for directions. We will finish our session with a tour of the Junior School and a few of the other year levels.

We've had some lovely warm weather to have the whole school outside during the past week. The Y5 – 8 children have been involved in their first round of winter sports. The Y5 / 6s are staying local utilising staff expertise and sports coaches while the Y7 / 8s are involved in a local school interchange. This week we were able to hold the NE – Y2 Huff and Puff in the school. A great run by all of our youngest learners. As always we are very thankful for the parent support and involvement we have at our events.

The Cultural Festival which is usually held in term 3 will now take place in term 4. This will mean that the extra Kapahaka time the Junior School (Year 0-4) have been enjoying this term will stop from term 3 to enable Tania and Willie to focus on making the Year 5 to 8 Kapahaka students performance ready for the festival.

Thank you to the Whānau Group with a special mention to Heperi Harris for providing us with Te Reo for our school values.

Our values: Tō tatou uara

Caring: Aroha, Respect: Manaaki, Responsibility: Haepapa, Personal Best: E Ranga!, Learning: Ako

We invite the NE - Y2 children (Explorers Team) to bring their scooters to school this Friday 19th June for a wheelie fun lunchtime on the top court. Please send any safety equipment your child uses while scootering.

We will have duty teachers and members of the student council supporting the children on the top court during the lunch hour. And yes, this is of course, weather permitting.

Good luck to the Zone Cross Country Team competing at Halswell Quarry on Monday. Our team of runners include

	Boys	Girls
Y8	Thomas Newsom Jordan Anngow Raul Bethell Lewis Patterson	Minah van Dam Savannah Olsen Alice Vetcher Sitara Ferguson



	Jacob Bunting Ryan de Bruin	Thelma Jolly Molly Bloy
Y7	Lennox Purdue Lochie Barrie Connor Ritchie Connor Sands Van Cattaway AJ Williams	Leah Jones Smilla West Elsie Brown Lucy Young Amber McCavitt Ella Tuffnell
Y6	Jai Ferguson Louis O'Sullivan Finn Groer Brodey Olsen Isaac de Bruin Samuel Wild	Felicity Newsom Sam Foote Flo Hindle Greta Prince Greer Ireland Georgia Chilton
Y5	Cooper Hampton Quinn Edmondson Fergus Booth Tobie Broere Joseph Scott Max Frizon Hoffmann Ortiz Siqueira	Adelle Broughton Ayana Nixon Sara Nakatsuka-Reed Louise Brown Lydia Watson Annabel Thorburn



PROPERTY UPDATE

Thanks to Uniweld for giving us a really great price on some moveable netball hoops as well as an extra one for good measure. We have purchased these as a middle ground as we work to get our new hoops in as soon as possible – thanks to Bryce Tiller Construction for starting the work next week. We think the moveable hoops will be good to have to be able to relocate around the school as well as lower the heights for different age groups of children. They also make really good home hoops for practicing with as well – if you want to have a look

<https://www.uniweld.co.nz/catalogue/engineering/steel-and-sheet-metalwork/netball-hoops/>

LEARNING CONFERENCES

We will be having our term two learning conferences on Wednesday 1st July and Thursday 2nd July. The learning conferences will focus on how your child has settled back into learning at school, any aspects from your home learning experience you would like to share or areas for your child to focus on, as well as the progress teachers have seen throughout the term and an aspect of learning that your child will share with you. The learning conferences are 15 minutes in length.

The learning conference timeframes are:

- Wednesday 1st July, 1.15 – 6.00pm
 - **School will close at 1.00pm on Wednesday 1st July**
- Thursday 2nd July, 3.30 – 7.30pm.

To book a time please complete the following:

- www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
- Enter code **v8tud**
 - or click on the link
<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=v8tud>
- Enter your name, child's name, room
- Select your child's teacher
- Select the time you would like to meet



Online bookings open today and will close on Monday 29th June. 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.

Crèche

- A Crèche will run in ToeToe / Rms 1 and 2. The Crèche is for young siblings you do not wish to take to the conferences.



STUDENT WRITING

The Waterfall

Calmly, deceptively gliding water
Slowly inching closer,
Approaching its tumbling death,
Teetering at the edge of its fatal fall.
Then...
Plummeting down the deathly giant
Crashing, foaming endlessly downwards
Belting out a furious roar,
Rapidly gushing to the dreaded end,
Tiny drops of foam and mist float down with me
Exploding on the jagged rocks
Where the eye meets the mouth
Settling into the great green depths
A shared poem by Navigators 1

The Cross Country Race when Huntsbury Bet the Rest!

When we started I was really excited but nervous at the same time. Then as soon as the teacher said “Go!” we all started to run. I felt that I was going to do better than last year. I said to myself “Keep on running – go, go, GO!”
When we got to the end I was tired. I felt like I was going to face-plant on the ground. I felt like I could taste blood in my throat....

By Madoc Harrison – Room 9

SCHOOL NOTICES

Support St Martins School and get your new Entertainment Membership today !

We are fundraising with Entertainment! Purchase now and receive a \$10 Countdown gift voucher for a single city or a \$20 Countdown voucher for a multi city app. Your membership will last for 12 months from the day you purchase it, and as an added bonus you will receive an extra 2 months' validity to celebrate being out of lockdown. We receive 20% of each purchase to put towards our fundraising. Purchase here today: www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/134177w

Free Dental Care for Children - including special information regarding Year 8 students

One of our Community Dental Service vans will be making a visit to your school soon.

- **Only the children who currently require a check-up will be seen at this visit.** Please do not be concerned if your child is not called for a check-up this time.
- The dental therapist will provide a regular check-up and preventative care which may include:
Cleaning/Scaling (to remove plaque from teeth)
Dental x-rays (to check for decay in teeth, or presence and position of teeth)
Fluoride Varnish (painted on teeth to help prevent decay)
Fissure Sealants (coating put on teeth to prevent decay) if required.
- If your child requires any other dental care, they will bring home a ‘Care Plan’ which will explain what dental care and appointment times are required.
- When you receive the ‘Care Plan’ 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.
- 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)

- **Year 8 students:** all year 8 students enrolled with the Community Dental Service are transferred from the Community Dental Service to a FREE private dentist from year 9 until their 18th birthday. To help with this transition please ensure you have informed your child of their family dentist (not orthodontist). This will enable us to transfer your child onto the correct dentist for year 9 onwards. More information will be sent home after their year 8 check-up.

To contact our Call Centre: phone 0800 846 983 / email comm dental@cdhb.health.nz

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Ms Saxon would love to move closer to school. If you have a 3-4 bedroom house that you might consider selling, please get in contact. tamaras@stmartins.school.nz
Thank you.

We need to find a new home for our pet rabbit

His name is Steve and he is so cute! He has white fur with black spots, is house trained, fully vaccinated (not neutered), needs to sleep indoors but loves going outside on a nice day. Comes with portable carrier, food, litter box, indoor cage, outdoor cage and run. He has been part of the family for 6 years but needs a young human with plenty of time to give him lots of love. Phone Georgie 021756102.

The Homework Club is open 6-17th July 8-6pm for holiday programme care for 5-13 year olds.

We are based at Cashmere Primary School. We have some exciting trips planned and a Court Theatre workshop. Please visit our website for more information: www.thehomeworkclub.co.nz

Canterbury University Snow Sports Club Annual Snow Sale – 9am to 4pm 28th June. Gold coin entry. Gear drop off 10am to 3pm 27th June at Haere-Roa UCSA Building, 90 Ilam Road.

For full details go to www.canterburysnowsale.com

Christchurch Bird Club Show and Sale

Come along to 93 Orbell Street, Sydenham on Saturday 11th July to see winning and top birds in the South Island.

ON THE CALENDAR

	Mon 15 June	Tue 16 Jun	Wed 17 June	Thu 18 June	Fri 19 June
10	NE – Y4 Kapahaka Maths Club Y7-8		Y3 / 4 Garden to Table House Tug-o-War	Newsletter Winter Sports Y7-8 Kelly Sports Y0-2	Y7 / 8 Technology
	Mon 22 June	Tue 23 June	Wed 24 June	Thu 25 June	Fri 26 June
11	NE – Y4 Kapahaka Maths Club Y7-8 Zone Cross Country		Zone Basketball tournament Y7 - 8 S'Mart Start	Winter Sports Y7-8	Y7 / 8 Technology Whanau Hui
	Mon 29 June	Tue 30 June	Wed 1 July	Thu 2 July	Fri 3 July
12	NE – Y4 Kapahaka Maths Club Y7-8 Korfball Tournament		Learning Conferences School closes at 1pm 1.15 – 6.00pm	Newsletter Winter Sports Y7-8 Learning Conferences 3.15 – 7.30	Y7 / 8 Technology Last day of Term 2. Happy holidays!