



Newsletter 8

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

It is with great sadness that we share the news with you that Lachie passed away on Tuesday this week. Our thoughts, sincerest condolences and prayers are with Kelly and Jon and their family at this time.

Lachie made a positive impact on our school, through the wonderful interactions and relationships he built with other children, staff and families. From his engaging smile to the light hearted conversations. He made a special place in our hearts and pulled us all together.

This week many children, particularly in the senior school, shared stories around their interaction with Lachie, the fun times, the moments that made them laugh, the moments that made them cry, the effect that Lachie has had on them.

We are all the better for having Lachie in our lives. Now is our time to hold on to the things that made him special to all of us, the caring, the fight, the resilience and especially his kindness.

Rest peacefully Lachie.

As much as we enjoyed Lachie's company, he enjoyed ours. Lachie loved being at school, his friends, the classes, the teachers, being involved, being the manager of the Y7 / 8 football team. Everyday interactions and relationships that were never taken for granted.

We would like to thank the community for their support of Lachie, getting involved in the many opportunities to show how much you cared for this fine young man.

The funeral arrangements to celebrate the life of Lachie are Wednesday 8th July, 6pm Lamb and Hayward, West Park chapel, Burnside 467 Wairakei Rd. Kelly and Jon ask that children attending the service from St Martins School wear their school uniform to show respect for Lachie and the high regard he had for our school.

This news may have an impact on your family / child. As a school we have requested support from Mana Ake. They have been available and visible predominantly in the High Fliers team during Wednesday and Thursday this week. We also have grief and loss sessions for the Y7 / 8 children scheduled to be led by an outside expert in the first week of school. These will be quite a general session. If you think your child would benefit from further follow up conversations please reach out to their classroom teacher in the first instance.

## END of TERM

Here we are at the end of term two. Thanks for your continued support throughout the term. It is wonderful to be involved with a community that is so caring of each other.

As you can see we are trying to keep some of the routines and daily aspects going, where possible returning to interacting with bigger groups and other schools. We look forward to continuing this next term as well.

Thanks for making the time to join us with our learning conferences this week, as well as braving the weather.

We look forward to our evening session today. We hope you found these sessions a valuable time to reconnect with teachers, share in some of the learning your child is proud of, the progress that is being made on our return from lockdown as well as looking into some learning from next term. During term three we will be sending home a written report for all children. This will be based on the core curriculum areas.



## CERTIFICATE ASSEMBLY

This week we will be holding our first assembly since coming back from lockdown. The focus for the assembly will be to celebrate the achievements of the children receiving term two certificates.

1.30 – 2.00pm = NE – Y4s

2.15 – 3.00pm = Y5 – 8s

## MATARIKI

This year Matariki falls in the school holidays. Many classes have started discussing Matariki, the stories around it as well as creating art works (thanks to Navigators 1 / Rooms 17 and 18 for sharing the process for their wonderful work for the newsletter today), and learning waiata. Thank you to the parents who have made themselves available to support us with our programme. If you would like to know more about Matariki have a look at the Te Iwa o Matariki site ( [https://www.twoa.ac.nz/hononga-stay-connected/te-iwa-o-matariki?sc\\_lang=en](https://www.twoa.ac.nz/hononga-stay-connected/te-iwa-o-matariki?sc_lang=en) ).

In week 2 of term three we will be having an assembly that focusses on Matariki. The NE – Y4 children will be sharing their learning from Kapahaka to perform as well as having a some written pieces from each class. As usual we will be having split assemblies for this. We will have;

1.30 – 2.10pm NE – Y2s and Y7 / 8s

2.15 – 3.00pm Y3 / 4s and Y5 / 6s

We hope you can join us on Friday 31 July.

## HOLIDAY PROPERTY UPDATE

Well, we have the hoops, we even have the holes. We just haven't had the weather to finish these off. We were hoping to have these all up and in use this week. Looks like we may still need to patient with these. If they are up in the holidays feel free to use them. Looking forward to getting into term three with some court time.

The front fence continues to be on the MoE list for a holiday install as well as remediating some of the work that needs to be addressed in the school.

All of the above aspects were scheduled for the term one break, however, have been rescheduled due to the lockdown.

I hope everyone has a wonderful term break. Some time to be together, see family and friends as well as recharge the batteries for term three.

Stay safe and well, see you back at school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July.

Andrew

## St Martins School Leaver Hoodies

St Martins School has recently ordered Y8 leaver hoodies. We have had a meeting with Mr Mouat and have agreed that they can be a part of the school uniform. We have agreed to some guidelines to follow. Year 8's can wear them Monday to Friday, however you cannot have the hoods up in school hours. When you go to formal events to other schools shows and events we would like you to wear your senior jackets. As with any uniform these must be clean and tidy.

Maisy Cowie

Y8 Student Council

## PLAY and EAT

During the last few weeks we have surveyed the children and the staff for their preference around playing and eating or eating and then playing. By the slimmest of margins next term we will return to playing then eating at break times.



## SCHOOL NOTICES

### Dental Care during the School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will be providing dental care for children enrolled with our service during the upcoming school holidays. The clinics will offer treatment and relief of pain sessions by appointment only. To make an appointment please call/email our Contact Centre which operates between the hours of 8am and 4.30pm, Monday to Friday throughout the holidays. The following Dental Clinics will be open during these school holidays:

- **Burnside Clinic, 96A Memorial Avenue, Burnside,**
- **Hornby Clinic, 2 Hei Hei Road, Hornby,**
- **Lincoln Clinic, 35 James Street, Lincoln,**
- **Timaru Clinic, Level 1, 18 Woolcombe Street, Timaru**

The clinics will offer appointments between 8.15am and 4.45pm for school-age and preschool children requiring treatment. If your child has dental pain because of an accident, please contact your dentist in the first instance. To book an appointment at one of our clinics please:

call 0800 846 983 Or email [comm dental@cdhb.health.nz](mailto:comm dental@cdhb.health.nz)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Beginner Squash Sessions at Christchurch Squash Club in Cashmere, July**  
School Holidays Beginner sessions, bring a friend for FREE. Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 10am – 12noon Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 10am – 12noon  
\$20 per session, note friends name in the comments when you register online.  
<https://squashcanterbury.co.nz/registration/>

### Christchurch Children's Choir

Does your child love to sing? At the Christchurch School of Music, we have an all-comers Children's Choir for 8-12 year olds. Saturday morning 9am to 9.45am, Linwood College, 180 Avonside Drive. Call us on 03-366-1711 or email [office@esm.org.nz](mailto:office@esm.org.nz) Enrol at [www.esm.org.nz/enrol](http://www.esm.org.nz/enrol)

### Pioneer July School Holidays 2020

Based at Pioneer Stadium. Various sessions from 8am up to 6pm. For more information or to book online go to [www.mashkids.co.nz](http://www.mashkids.co.nz) or email [info@mashkids.co.nz](mailto:info@mashkids.co.nz)

### CASPA Holiday Programmes

Designed to be fun and educational – to find out more information about the July school holiday programme or to book online go to [www.caspa.org.nz](http://www.caspa.org.nz) or email [info@caspa.org.nz](mailto:info@caspa.org.nz)

### Garage Sale 8:30am – 12:30pm, Saturday 4 July, St Mark's Church

101 Opawa Road, Christchurch. Come to our garage sale & grab a bargain. Cash only. For more information, please contact the Office (03) 980-9983

**Cashmere High School Combos and Big Bands** will perform an evening of Jazz on Thursday July 2nd in the Cashmere High School McCombs Performing Arts Centre, 172 Rose Street at 7pm (Doors open 6.30pm). We would like to extend an invitation to our wider community to enjoy this event with us. Students \$5, Adults \$15, Family of 4 \$25. Proceeds going towards 2021 Music Tour. Drinks and nibbles provided by CHS Hospitality students.

**Tots to Teens online magazine** <https://issue2006si.totstoteens.co.nz/>

With holidays on the way, and families looking to travel NZ with kids, we have collated **376 things to do in Aotearoa**. Now that the chilly days are arriving, we have the details on **how many layers** your child needs to wear, how to keep your family in **good health with good food**, and we share some helpful advice about common **ear, nose and throat** complaints.





### Korfball Canterbury Academy

For Year 5-8 students in the school holidays. Tuesday to Thursday. \$20 per day. Week 1 at Catholic Cathedral College and Week 2 at Celebration Stadium. Register via [www.korfballnz.co.nz/korfball-canterbury](http://www.korfballnz.co.nz/korfball-canterbury) or email [development@korfballcanterbury.org.nz](mailto:development@korfballcanterbury.org.nz)

**Art lessons for children aged 5 to 16 years** – see the links for holiday programme details and registration.

<https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2020/school-holiday-printmaking-with-alexia-martin/christchurch>

<https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2020/school-holiday-art-programme-visions-art-studio/christchurch>

### Free Martial Arts Taekwon-Do School Holiday programme

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July. Visit <http://www.riccarton.itkd.co.nz/> for more information

## ON THE CALENDAR

	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

### Term Three

	Mon 20 July	Tue 21 July	Wed 22 July	Thu 23 July	Fri 24 July
1	First day of Term 3 KapaHaka Y5 – 8 1.30 – 2.30 NE – Y4 2.30 – 3.00	SMS Board Meeting 6.30pm	Y3 / 4 Garden to Table NE – Y4 Music Y5 / 6 Zone Basketball	Y5 – 8 Sport	Y7 / 8 Technology