

St Martins School | Te Kura o Hato Mātene

Date: 10 November 2022

School will be closed this Friday 11th November for Show Weekend SAVE THE DATE - SMART PTA QUIZ NIGHT - Fri 18th November

SCHOOL UPDATE

Kia ora e te whānau.

We are enjoying this lovely weather to get outside and participate in a number of learning opportunities.

Last week we had two children from the High Fliers team representing the school in the Rotary Speech Competition. This year the focus was on storytelling. Congratulations to Joseph and Simone for placing 1st and 2nd.

This week we welcome Nevaeh, Eryn and Georgia. We hope that you have a wonderful St Martins | Hāto Matene experience.

This weekend we wish Flo, Lincoln, Kanye and Maddie all the very best as they represent Canterbury in the PCT event being held in Wellington. Sounds like an amazing opportunity, with the women's rugby final thrown in for good measure. Good luck for the competition and enjoy all of the experiences that the Police are putting on. Thanks to Jarad Pateman for supporting the children.

It was a shame our Y5 / 6 children weren't able to compete in the Summer Tournament last week. Thank you to the parents and teachers who were able to offer the children an in school experience the next day.

The Y3 / 4 children have enjoyed their waterways experiences, thank you to Catherine and Angela for organising these for us.

I really enjoyed the opportunity to go with the 90 ākonga to the film 'Frozen' in Te Reo this week. It was great to see a well known classic that the children were able to follow along with. Thanks to the whānau that could join us and Alice B for making it happen.

Next week the Y6 children will be starting their cycle safety programme. Please remember to return your notices and bring your bikes and helmets. Thanks to Jane for organising this for the tamariki in the Navigators team.

We have finalised our teaching teams for 2023. We look forward to Ben Irvine continuing with us in a Y5 / 6 class as well as Briana Weaver joining the High Fliers Team in Y7 / 8. Congratulations to Susie Keenan being appointed to a permanent position and Chantal Ward to the Y5 / 6 fixed term team leader position. The pod partners for 2023 are:

Explorers	Discoverers	Navigators	High Fliers
Annemarie / Charlotte Helen / Kate Michelle / Paige	Caitlin & Jenny / Catherine Chris / Susie	Amy / Chantal Jane / Ben Tamara	Alice B / Briana Jarad / Nicky







This year we are consulting whānau around our health programmes. If you would like to share your thoughts on the aspects we have covered this year please feel free to use the <u>following link</u> (https://forms.gle/8hDr3jjhHcdLqSGs5 The survey will close at 9am on Friday 18th November.

As we quickly come to the end of 2022 we start looking at our programmes for 2023. We have set the school dates for 2023 as follows:

Term One

Tues 31 Jan / Wed 1 Feb

Whānau Connect

a 15min session for each family to meet their child's teacher and discuss strengths, focus areas, share information, discuss the class programme.

Thu 2 Feb - Thu 6 Apr

Term Two

Mon 24 Apr = Teacher only day Tue 25 Apr = ANZAC day Wed 26 Apr - Fri 30 June

Term Three

Mon 17 Jul - Fri 22 Sept

Term Four

Mon 9 Oct - Tue 19 Dec

Next year we would like to start an optional bring your own chromebook for the children in the 2023 Y5 / 6 classes. A letter was sent home at the end of term three to the children currently in Y4 and Y5 with information regarding this. We invite whānau in this cohort of tamariki to attend an information session on Thursday 24th November, 5.30pm in the school hall.

With only 25 school days until the end of the year we are fast approaching the finish of the 2022 year. We hope that the Y8 children are looking to make the most of these last few weeks before thinking about their next new learning challenge. Have a look at the calendar below or the online calendar on our school website https://www.stmartins.school.nz/calendar-2/

If you haven't got a table of 6 together to enter the SMART PTA quiz night next Friday, it's not too late. See below for details to enter. Great raffles as well.

Kia pai te wiki mutunga | have a great weekend, Andrew

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REVIEW

The School Policies and Procedures under Parent/Caregiver review this term are:

• Digital Technology & Cyber Safety

To read and review policies: Go to the School Docs Policies and Procedures site:

https://www.stmartins.school.nz/about-st-martins/policiesprocedures/

- 1. Enter the username: stmartins & Password: huntsbury
- 2. Click on the Current Review tab
- 3. Read the information and if you would like to provide feedback click on the red "Under Review" tab.

The closing date to provide feedback is Thursday 17th November.

WHĀNAU GROUP UPDATE

Kia ora e te whānau

We have our next hui Sunday 13th November at 2pm in the school staff room. We would love to see you there. We will be discussing kapa haka for next year and the Board's progress with the Hautu review. Tamariki are welcome - they normally end up playing together outside.

Huge mihi to the kura (especially Alice Barakat) for organising the trip to Frozen - Reo Māori on Tuesday. It was great to see nearly 90 tamariki from kapa haka and the extension te reo class. Thanks to the parent helpers and also to the tamariki for being so well behaved. Wananei!

Ngā mihi

Ranui

S'MART PTA UPDATE

The S'Mart Community is the St Martins | Hato Mātene PTA that helps the school by fundraising, giving practical support and by helping develop a stronger parent community.

Where your fundraising goes

New waterproof notice boards are on their way for the gate Garden to Table

Year 8 Yearbook Printing costs 2023 helping refresh the library



Fundraisers / events coming up

Quiz night in the school hall. Doors open at 7.00pm Friday 18th November. ONE WEEK TO GO!!!!

Still time to book a table now or join an existing table looking for numbers!!!!!

It will be an entertaining evening with auctions, raffles, food, beverages, prizes, music and fascinating trivia

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See the Smart Community Facebook page for further information and entry details. https://www.facebook.com/StMartinsSmartCommunity

Quiz Quiz

NEXT ORDINARY SMART COMMUNITY MEETING

Monday 21st November 7.30pm School Staffroom

Quiz

Call to action

OUIZ RAFFLE ITEMS

Grocery items suitable for Quiz Night raffles can be dropped at the school office, tasty treats, no alcohol please.

Big thanks to those who have already donated items, signed up to do the quiz and also sponsored some items, we couldn't do this event without your participation and generosity.

STUDENTS CORNER

Congratulations to Joseph and Simone who represented St Martins School at the Rotary Zone Storytelling Competition held at St Peters. Joseph placed 1st in the Year 7 category and Simone placed 2nd in the Year 8 category. We are so very proud of your achievements!



SCHOOL NOTICES

Lost Property

Thank you to those families who have continued to name their child's school uniform, this has helped us to return many items to students in recent weeks. We encourage parents to take some time on the weekend to make sure all of their child's uniform is clearly named with a permanent pen.

We have a system in place to return items when named, however we cannot guarantee return if your items are not named.

As always, you are welcome to visit our office to have a look through any items that have been found, unnamed.



Secondhand uniform sales

The S'mart Community now runs an amazing second-hand uniform programme using <u>Hand Me Round</u>. This great system takes all the hard work out of selling or donating your used uniform and provides some fundraising for the

school as 25% of the sale price of sell-on-behalf items and 100% of the sale price of donated items will go back into fundraising for the school.

Sales are held approximately 1-2 times a term and will be advertised in the school newsletter and via our school communication system, Hero.

To sell second-hand uniform

- register your items online through the St Martins School Handmeround portal: https://handmeround.azurewebsites.net/stms/home
- Follow the instructions (including labelling them clearly with your reference number)
- Drop items off at the school office to be included in upcoming sales.

To donate second hand uniform

• If you'd like to donate your uniforms, you don't need to register the items yourself. Simply drop them off at the office in a bag labelled as donated.

For more information visit our school website https://www.stmartins.school.nz/enrolment/uniform/ or If you have any queries or questions please email secondhanduniforms@smartcommunity.org.nz

MySchool - Back to School Stationery 2023

A reminder to all families that the stationery lists for your child for 2023 will be released at the beginning of December for you to purchase online.

St Martins School has partnered with Officemax again this year to deliver a hassle-free ordering process with the most competitive pricing. Also 6% of each order placed through MySchool goes back to our school for stationery resources.

Orders should be placed before Christmas to ensure you receive the items before the start of the school year. All orders placed by December 31st will go in the draw to win a \$1000 cash prize! Look out for more information on the ordering process coming very soon.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Football Ferns Meet & Greet - Cashmere Tech

Cashmere Tech are delighted to be hosting the Football Fern's Meet and Greet on Friday 11th November at Garrick Park. 12.15 - 1.15 pm. Come down and meet the team!

Please use this link to register if you would like to attend. https://fb.me/e/5pUgz4mhF Thanks, CTFC

Elements - nature based Play

Elements nature based play programmes are proud to announce programmes in the summer holidays at our homebase on a Cashmere Farm. Fields, trees, and creeks - children exploring, playing and learning while being active and imaginative in nature is what Elements is about.

A fantastic environment for both the physical and cognitive development of children, our services may also help parents who are struggling to find quality programmes for their children while they are needing to be at work over school holiday periods. Elements programmes are for children aged 5-13yrs. Our senior team members are teachers on their 'holidays'! Although you may consider the locations too far from your school zone, we find families are happy to travel for their children to attend our quality programmes, especially over summer where there is flexibility of work hours.

Check out our fb page for some visuals of local children enjoying their time with Elements: https://www.facebook.com/elementsprogrammes or our website https://www.elementsnature.co.nz/

From Bellies, Babies to Tweens market

Sunday 27th November 9am-12noon at Pioneer Stadium For families to buy and sell pre-loved maternity, baby, kids & tweens (up to 13yrs) items all in one place.

Families coming to buy can score huge savings on items needed for growing babies and kids, while families selling can earn a bit of extra cash.

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram or email fbbtmarket@gmail.com

The Homework Club Holiday Programmes

Currently taking bookings for the following dates:



Cashmere Primary School 135 Hackthorne Road

- 5-8 years' age group
- December 19-23rd & January 16th 31st

Landsdowne Community Centre 8 Landsdowne Terrace, Cashmere.

• 9-13 years'

The Club offers a high standard of quality care and operates from 8-6pm during the holidays. We also have an after school care Programme that operates during the term time from 3-6pm.

You are most welcome to visit our website: <u>www.thehomeworkclub.co.nz</u> or email <u>Sara info@thehomeworkclub.co.nz</u>, for further information.

ON THE CALENDAR

1	Mon 7 Nov	Tue 8 Nov	Wed 9 Nov	Thu 10 Nov	Fri 11 Nov
4		Te Reo Frozen Movie 9.15-11.45 Hoyts EntX		N.E.Class Photos for Rooms 7, 8 & 3 9am Newsletter	Show Day
5	Mon 14 Nov	Tue 15 Nov	Wed 16 Nov	Thu 17 Nov	Fri 18 Nov
	Y5 - 8 Zone Athletics		Y7 / 8 Summer Tournament		Quiz Night
			Y6 cycle Safety		
6	Mon 21 Nov	Tue 22 Nov	Wed 23 Nov	Thu 24 Nov	Fri 25 Nov
	Canterbury Triathlon Y0-2 Athletics 9.30-11.30 Year 3-4 Athletics 12.00-2.30 Itinerant Music Concert 6.00 - 8.00	BOT Meeting		Newsletter Y4 / 5 Chromebook session	School Assembly
		Y6 Cycle Safety on site			
7	Mon 28 Nov	Tue 29 Nov	Wed 30 Nov	Thu 1 Dec	Fri 2 Dec
'	Year 7/8 Parent Help Camp Meeting Yr 6-8 Cricket Tournament		Canterbury Athletics	Beach Ed Navigators 1 Year ⅓ Ironman/Woman	Y8 Graduation Beach Ed Navigators 2
8	Mon 5 Dec	Tue 6 Dec	Wed 7 Dec	Thu 8 Dec	Fri 9 Dec
	Year % Glentui Camp Rm 5 & 14 Y0-4 Swimming at Pioneer 11.15-2.45	Year ¼ Glentui Camp Rm 5 & 14 Y0-4 Swimming at Pioneer 11.15-2.45	Year ¼ Glentui Camp Rm 11 & 12 leave Rm 4 & 15 return Y0-4 Swimming at Pioneer 11.15-2.45	Year ¼ Glentui Camp Rm 11 & 12 Y0-4 Swimming at Pioneer 11.15-2.45 Monster Music Free Concert 9.00-9.30am	School Assembly Year % Glentui Camp Rm 11 & 12 Y0-4 Swimming at Pioneer 11.15-2.45
9	Mon 12 Dec	Tue 13 Dec	Wed 14 Dec	Thu15 Dec	Fri 16 Dec
	Korfball tournament Year 3-4 Christmas Extravaganza 9.15 Y0-2 Christmas Concert 11.45-12.30 Navigators Yr 5-6 Performance and Passion project sharing Reports to go home Class Placements	Year 7/8 Pool Day Y0-4 Waltham Pool Day 11.30-2.30	Year 7/8 Surf Day Year 5-6 Pool day	Year 8 Amazing Race Meet the 2023 class 10.30-11.00	Last day of school 12.30 finish:)