



St Martins School | Te Kura o Hato Mātene
Newsletter 2 : 23 Feb 2022

SCHOOL UPDATE

Kia ora koutou,

This week we welcome Emma, Emmett, Freya and Toby. We hope that you enjoy your time at St Martins | Hato Mātene and look forward to sharing in your learning experiences.

We have had our first couple of EOTC trips for the year with our Playground Activity Leaders meeting with other schools for a day last week and yesterday we had the school mural group joining Jackie in town to look at the Shift Urban Art Takeover exhibition in the Canterbury Museum displays to get inspiration for our creative in schools project, adding colour to the top courts. Thank you to the whānau members able to support the children with the trip.

A number of whānau in our community will have family affected by Cyclone Gabrielle in the North Island. Our thoughts are with you, if there is any support we can offer as a school please reach out to us. Along with other schools in Canterbury we will be having a uniform free day raising funds for affected kura. Our theme is simply freestyle Friday. Wear your favourite colour, favourite clothes, comfy clothes, whatever your style is, Friday is your day. If you could donate a gold coin for this event that would be greatly appreciated.

This week your child will have brought a notice home regarding the Paid Union Meetings (PUM) next week - Thursday 2 March - if you are available, could you please collect your child / children from school at 12.30. Children who are remaining at school will have an adapted programme for the afternoon, quite possibly a waiata and movie. Could you please return the information slip to your child's classroom teacher so they will know whether your child is being collected, walking home or staying at school. If you did not receive the letter please check HERO for a digital copy.

Last year we started working with Juliette Hayes from the Education Review Office (ERO). The review framework has changed in the last few years. We no longer have an ERO team onsite for a few days and then given a review of three or five years. Every school across the motu has



a facilitator like Juliette who they work closely with during a three year cycle. At the beginning of the three years the facilitator writes a profile page about the school. This has now been confined and will be on the ERO website. We will also link this on the school website.

As we start the new year, it's a timely reminder about keeping our children safe at school drop off and pick up.

If you are dropping your child off, please remember the following:

- park in designated areas (e.g 5 minute drop off / pick up area)
- no parking on yellow lines (particularly by the road patrol area)
- no u-turns by the road patrol area

We understand the congestion during these times can make parking difficult, however keeping our children and community safe is top priority.

If you have any concerns around parking around the school, then the **Snap, Send, Solve** app is an effective way to report these.

Ka pai te wiki mutanga.

Andrew

ST MARTINS SCHOOL PTA

Committee Changes

The committee would like to extend our sincere thanks to Jamie Billings for his leadership of the S'Mart Community over the last nearly five years as he steps down from the Chairperson role. His steady hand during the hall refurbishment and overall commitment to the role is greatly appreciated. The Interim Chairperson is Emma Riley leading up to the AGM in May. At the last meeting we welcomed new members Isaac Devine and Rachel Brown, we look forward to working with you.

Back To School BBQ

We hope all those that attended the BBQ had a great time. Again, our thanks to all the helpers and Student Council. We look forward to providing this gathering annually again.

Friendship Lists

We will be reinstating Friendship Lists this year. For those new to school, these optional lists provide the contact details to connect with others in your child's class and year group. Please keep an eye out for a message on Hero to complete the online form.

Second-Hand Uniforms

Donations of uniform items can be left at the school office; all donated items provide funding that goes back to school through the PTA.

Bulb Fundraiser

It's that time of year again! After the success of this fundraiser last year, the Bulb Fundraiser will be back again soon. We are changing to an online ordering system to make it easier for everyone.

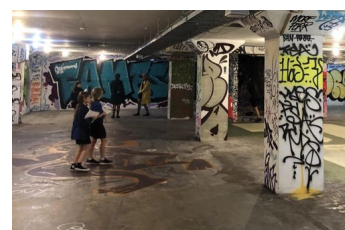
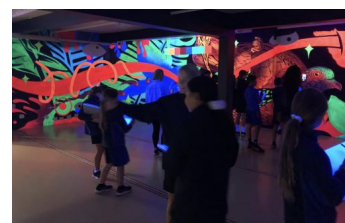
Next Meeting: Monday 20 March, 7.30pm, Staff Room

Contact Us: chairperson@smartcommunity.org.nz

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REVIEW

SchoolDocs - what is it?

All NZ schools are governed by a school board and a range of policies and procedures. Our policies are hosted by [SchoolDocs Ltd](https://www.school-docs.co.nz/), an online policy and procedure service for New Zealand primary and intermediate schools. If you would like to know more



about how Schooldocs works and your involvement as a caregiver please visit the [Parents and Whānau section](#) of the SchoolDocs website.

The Policies and Procedures under review this term are:

- Uniform / Dresscode
- Enrolment
- Student attendance

To read policies and place a review

1. Go to the [Schooldocs website](#)
2. Enter the username & password
 - Username: smartins
 - Password: huntsbury
3. Click on the **Current Review tab**, select the policy you wish to review & read
4. To provide feedback click on the red **Under Review tab**.

The closing date to provide feedback is Wednesday 15th March.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Itinerant Music Lessons

Itinerant Music lessons have started again for 2023 and we have a couple of vacancies for someone wishing to learn the cello or the flute. If you could contact Diane in the office if your child is keen to learn either of these instruments.

School Photos

School photos will be taken on Thursday 9th March. Every child will have a class photo and an individual photo taken.

We are also able to offer a family photo of your St Martins children. Caregiver permission must be given for this photo, please contact the school office or email office@stmartins.school.nz so we can put your children's name on the list. Please do this before the end of Tuesday the 7th of March. We will require the eldest sibling will be asked to collect the younger one/s to take them down to the hall at approximately 12.30, the beginning of lunch our hour.

House tees pre order now

Pre-order a House t-shirt now, ready for Term 2

Orders can be placed at the school office or email dianem@stmartins.school.nz.

Tees are available in sizes 8 to 14 and are \$15 each. This will be the only order placed this year so get in now to secure a tee (only limited stock is kept in the office)

Payment can be made by Eftpos at the office or straight into the school account. (12 3240 0111723 00) If paying to the school account please state your child's name and 'House T-shirt' so we can identify your payment. Orders need to be placed by Friday 31st of March please.

ON THE CALENDAR

4	Mon 20 Feb	Tue 21 Feb	Wed 22 Feb	Thu 23 Feb	Fri 24 Feb
	PALs Leaders Day		GTT - Rm 23/24 School Mural Day Trip	Y5 / 6 Korfball Newsletter	Freestyle Friday Y7 / 8 Tech Assembly 9-9.45am: Yr 0-4 2.15-3pm: Yr 5-8
5	Mon 27 Feb	Tue 28 Feb	Wed 1 Mar	Thu 2 Mar	Fri 3 Mar
		6.30 Board Meeting 9am-2.00pm Y5 - 8 Swimming Sports	GTT - Rm 21/22	Y5 / 6 Korfball NZEI Paid Union Meeting, early closing 12.30pm	Y7 / 8 Tech
6	Mon 6 Mar	Tue 7 Mar	Wed 8 Mar	Thu 9 Mar	Fri 10 Mar
		Y7 / 8 PCT Comp 10.30am-3.00pm	GTT - Rm 23/24	School Photos Y7 / 8 Korfball Newsletter	Y7 / 8 Tech Assembly 9-9.45am: Yr 0-4 2.15-3pm: Yr 5-8
	Walk or wheel to school week				
7	Mon 13 Mar	Tue 14 Mar	Wed 15 Mar	Thu 16 Mar	Fri 17 Mar
	Y5 - 8 Canterbury Zone Swimming	Y5 - 8 Canterbury Triathlon	GTT - Rm 21/22	Y7 / 8 Korfball Y3 / 4 Softball	Y7 / 8 Tech
8	Mon 20 Mar	Tue 21 Mar	Wed 22 Mar	Thu 23 Mar	Fri 24 Mar
	PTA meeting 7.30pm Staffroom	Board Meeting 6.30pm Staffroom	GTT - Rm 23/24	Y7 / 8 Korfball Newsletter	Y7 / 8 Tech Assembly 9-9.45am: Yr 0-4 2.15-3pm: Yr 5-8
9	Mon 27 Mar	Tues 28 Mar	Wed 29 Mar	Thu 30 Mar	Fri 31 Mar
				Y7 / 8 Korfball Y3 / 4 Softball	Y7 / 8 Tech
10	Mon 3 Apr	Tue 4 Apr	Wed 5 Apr	Thu 6 Apr	Fri 7 Apr
	Y5 - 8 Korfball			Y5 - 8 Canterbury swimming Newsletter Last day of Term 1	Good Friday

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Junior Registration Sunday 12 March

9am - 12pm in the Sydenham Lounge, Cashmere Club

Please register your child online through our website before you come - see link in post

Then pop down to our junior registration morning so your child can be weighed, try on their team jersey, jacket or shorts for correct sizings. There is limited old stock of shorts and socks; new stock can now be purchased through our online store.

See you there!



St Merritt School

Childrens Art

- 1hr = \$25
- 2hrs = \$35

12 Spaces T1
Wednesday 4-6

info@visionsartclasses.co.nz

Visions Art Classes

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HELPS YOUR CHILD GROW
IN MANY WAYS
SUPPLEMENTS THEIR
LEARNING:
- DRAWING DEVELOPS A
CHILD'S FINE MOTOR
SKILLS
- ENHANCES A CHILD'S
CREATIVITY
- HELPS A CHILD'S EMOTIONAL
FUNCTIONING

Ph. or text
021 243 5955



Cashmere

NETBALL CLUB

Registrations are Open for the 2023 Season!!!

We are a family friendly club with teams for all ages and abilities.

Year 3 - Year 6

NO TRIALS - teams are put together based on skill, school and friends.

*Ensure to put information on the registration form with your player's ability, school, and friends who would like to be in a team together so we can organise this as best we can.

Year 7 and 8

TRIALS will be held on Sunday 5th March and Sunday 12th March at Hagley courts.

Year 7: 5th March 9.00am-11.30am ; 12th March 1pm-3pm

Year 8: 5th March 10.00am-12.00pm ; 12th March 1pm-3pm

Important Change for 2023 Year 7 & 8 Trials

Please note that trialling is optional for being placed in a team.

However, if you wish to be considered for the Year 7 & Year 8 **A & B** teams then you must trial.

See our website for further important details and note you must be registered prior to attending trials and before being allocated to a team. We strongly recommend attending both trials, and if your player can't a trial its important the Club is informed by emailing cashmerenetball@hotmail.com with details of which trial you can and which trial you can't attend (this enables selectors to manage trials fairly for all).

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page and Website for further updates.

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/cashmerenc>
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