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Monday 22nd February 2016

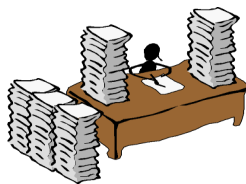
From the Principal's Chair

As we head back to school today we spared a thought for the events of 5 years ago when the February earthquake struck the Canterbury region. While we had a reminder recently that we are still prone to these seismic events, let us hope that we never have to deal with those events again. It is interesting to note that the 5 year olds who join us this year were not born when the events of that February day occurred.

These 5 year olds will bring the excitement of starting school and the joy of beginning their learning with us at Chertsey School. Nothing beats watching a small, usually timid child begin at school and then begin to blossom as they become more comfortable with the new environment and people.

I have watched this journey at Chertsey School happen a number of times in the past 6 months and it is always amazing. It is these children who will become our graduating Year 6's in a few short years and who will bring us joy as they develop and grow.

So, while we may be sad or anxious about the events of 5 years ago take time to reflect on your own journey over the past 5 years. Then, spare a thought for the amazing journey that all our children, especially those new entrants, are embarking on as we move on to enjoy the rest of 2016.



Board of Trustee News

The Board of Trustees wish to advise that there will be a school Trustee election this year for positions on the Board of Trustees.

The election date has been set for the 3rd June. We are seeking nominations for the new Board and invite any interested persons to come along to our next meeting, Monday 4th April, 7pm in the school staffroom. If you are interested please contact the Board Chairperson, Richard McArthur on 302 0118 to discuss what is involved in being on the Board.



Important Dates

February

Friday 26th School Assembly

March

Sunday 6th Childrens Big Day Out

Wednesday 16th Marty Scheyb - Performance

Friday 18th Variety Club Visit - 9.30am

25th/26th/27th/28th Easter

April

Friday 15th Last Day of Term 1

Monday 25th Anzac Day

Friday Lunch Parent Help Roster

Term 1

February

26th February Katrina Davis

March

4th March Katrina Davis

11th March Katrina Davis

18th March Katrina Davis

25th March **No Lunch (Easter Friday)**

If you cannot do your rostered day, can you please find someone else to do it for you

Birthdays

February

Jack Fifita

Phoenix Aspin

Rhiannan Choat

March

Gabby Rodgers



Family Contact Details

There are still 4 families who have not returned their contact details forms and Internet usage permission forms.

Can these families please get them returned as soon as possible to enable your child/children's information to be updated.

If you have lost the original forms, there are more forms available from the office.

Sunsmart

With the warm weather likely to stay for a little while longer it is a good time for a reminder about being sun smart.

Children are expected to wear hats or stay under the shade during break times. Children are expected to wear broad brimmed hats that give protection to the face, neck and ears.

Sunscreen is available in each of the classes or you may send your child with their own if you prefer.

Wheels Wednesday

Every Wednesday until the end of the term children will be able to bring their bikes, scooters, skateboards and skates to school.

Please make sure they have a helmet and any other safety equipment you think they will require. Bikes are to be placed in the bike racks by the office and scooters and skateboards can be left in the racks at the end of Room 1.



Chertsey Champ Awards

We are having a new initiative this year to promote the Champ values. At each assembly we will be recognising the efforts of children at Chertsey with Champ awards. Children who display one of the values during their learning or in the playground will receive a certificate at assembly. Along with this they will receive a coloured wristband that they can wear to show others what value they have displayed. Their photo board in the foyer of the staffroom will also have a sticker placed on it so others can see how they are progressing towards the goal of the 5 different bands. When they attain the 5 different colours then they will become a Super Champ and receive a special award.



Headlice

With the warm weather and being back at school it is a good idea to check your child's hair.

Please let us know if you find any and keep your child at home until they have been treated.

Effective treatment for headlice:

Licegone - Treatment

Licestop - Preventer

Both these treatments are available from your local pharmacy.

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Assembly

Assembly is this week, at 2.30pm on Friday in the Library.

See you there.



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Second Hand Uniforms

With the change in seasons nearly upon us you may be looking around for warmer clothing. We have a number of second hand uniform items available at the office for you to purchase. Please call in and check out what is available.

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Temporary Change in Office Hours

Christine Stewart will be away from Monday the 29th of February to Monday the 7th of March. During this time the office will be only operating when Mr Wansbrough is on release. If you have any urgent questions for the office please talk to one of the teachers.



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School Newsletters

Newsletters will be sent home every 2nd Monday.

If you miss a copy of the newsletter, check online at:

www.chertsey.school.nz

Newsletters will also be emailed out to all those families that have supplied an email address.



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Swimming Sports

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our children at the recent swimming sports. They were a great success and we performed well on the day. Unfortunately with the County sports only taking swimmers who entered into 50 metre races we have no one going to this event.

Even though swimming sports is over we are continuing with our school swimming. We plan to swim to the end of the term at present due to the pool heating. Please keep your child's togs coming along to school.



2016 Children's Day is being held on Sunday 6th March
at the Plains Railway in Tinwald.

This is a great event with many activities held for children to participate in and is free of charge.

Friday will continue to be our ordered lunch day with savouries, sausage rolls, sausages in bread and Iceblocks (the order forms have already been sent home).

The Dates that Subway will be available this term are:

Friday 26th February

Friday 18th March

Friday 15th April

Last week Constable Chris Wiltshire visited school last week to talk about road safety and cybersafety. He has asked us to remind you to look out for our children crossing the road after school when you are reversing or driving near the school.



Mid Canterbury United is looking for all girls and women to join them in a fun day of football on Sunday 6 March 2016 at Argyle Park starting at 11:00am. This day is open to anyone from 4 years old on up. There will be a mix of drills, skills and games for anyone who just wants to kick the ball around and for those are considering playing football this coming season. No experience necessary!

Have any questions, please contact the club via email at midcanterburywomensfootball@gmail.com or text to 020 40035390.



Updates and photos of the learning at Chertsey School can be found at the Chertsey School Facebook page. Check it out for the happenings at school.

Www.facebook.com/ChertseySchool



1st week school hols

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The **AgriKidsNZ Competition** is open to all primary school student aged between 8-14 years of age and it's free to enter.

The competitors enter in teams of 3 and you don't have to be the same age or even from the same school!

The kids compete in 8 practical modules in their preliminary round which include a range of agriculture activities. The Top 7 contestants then qualify for the Race Off, in which the teams race against the clock and against the other teams to complete all the tasks in their lane. The Top 3 overall finalists qualify to enter the Grand Final in Timaru to represent their region.

The **AgriKidsNZ Competition** can be as competitive as you want it to be. It's about encouraging participation and letting the kids experience the wonderful world of agriculture.

You do not need to be off a farm to enter or even know anything about agriculture, you just need to have an awesome attitude, be ready to learn and don't mind getting your hands dirty.

There is nothing to be afraid of as the day is full of fun, and we are always here to answer any questions you have.

For more information please contact our co-ordinator **Isabelle Hobbs** at Isabelle.hobbs@youngfarmers.co.nz or head to agrikids.co.nz to enter.

2016 Competition Schedule

Northern
20th Feb – Pukekohe

Wai/BOP
27th Feb – Huntly

Tara/Mān
5th March – Feilding

East Coast
12th March – Dannevirke



Tasman

2nd April – Oxford

Otago/Southland

9th April – Wyndham

Aorangi

1st May – Geraldine High School

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AgriKidsNZ Competition Regional Finals



CHILDRENS RACE, 1.5KM OF MUDDY FUN!!



MUDDY
GOOD
RUN

SUNDAY 3RD APRIL

WWW.MUDDYGOODRUN.CO.NZ

RAKAIA NETBALL CLUB

The Rakaia Netball Club is looking forward to another great season. We are a successful, fun-loving club, and we welcome players at all levels.

Junior Trials

Trials for all Junior players will be held

At the Rakaia Domain

Wednesday 2nd March

Commencing at 4.30pm

For more information, please contact

Brans Surridge, 027 245 5030

Mid Canterbury Hockey

Clubs:

Allenton Hockey Club

Brendon Adam 308 2696

Collegians Hockey Club

Kieren O'Grady 302 6777

Collegiate Hockey Club

Angela Christie 307 0660

Hampstead Hockey Club

Kevin McCosker 302 3898

Methven Hockey Club

Ruth Fitzgerald 302 1804

Rakaia Hockey Club

Carmen Dunlea 302 7970

Tinwald Hockey Club

Jen Muir 308 5956

Wakanui Hockey Club

Paula Davies 302 3008

Hockey is a fast-flowing and exciting sport that thousands of Kiwis enjoy every year. No matter what your age, gender or skill level, you have the chance to be part of the sport as a player, coach, umpire or club helper. Mid Canterbury Hockey's winter competition starts Saturday 2 April, so don't delay contact a Hockey Club today.

Small Sticks (Kiwi) Hockey

Introducing basic hockey skills to children, 5 years and older, through game based activities which focus on having fun!

Dates: Wed 2nd and Wed 9th March: 3.45-4.45pm

Venue: Mid Canterbury Hockey's Turf, Ashburton Domain

\$5 fee for two sessions, pay and register at the first session.

All equipment provided.

If you are a new player and register with a club, you will be eligible for a free hockey stick.

For more information visit our website www.mchockey.co.nz or email our Secretary on mchockey@hotmail.co.nz



Fundraising event

Trust event centre Friday 26th February

Time 8pm

Tickets \$15.00 13yrs and over
\$10.00 12 and under

Please come and support Ruby Donaldson, Brooke Sandys, Annelise Diamond and Jack Bubb. We are putting on a variety show to fundraise towards competing in the world championships of performing arts in LA. as we have been selected to be part of the NZ Team.

There will be a number of artist performing, this includes singing, dance, acting, a little something for everyone Invite your family and friends - come sit back and enjoy

