



St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 3
5 August 2020

Kia ora St Mark's School!

Another newsletter and it is August!

Cross Country

We are so proud of our year 0 - 4 runners at the Local Cross Country at Hillview Christian School yesterday. Our congratulations to our runners - here are the results: [YO-4XCResults](#) Special congratulations to our Year 0- 1 girls: **Alice A, Trinni F, Mila B and Emily T**, and Year 4 girls: **Zara P, Pippa W, Laurika de L and Hannah T**: who won the overall team award!!!

Church

What a special "picnic" we had at church on Sunday as Waka Puhara joined the parish. Feeding the 5,000, Matthew 14:13 - 21, was the reading and Rev. Ben and the parish were able to convey the message of this miracle with wonderful alacrity. We were so proud of our bible readers, prayer readers and the whole team for their beautiful waiata lead by our own **Mr Ben Davis**.

Book Week

I hope you are enjoying the opportunity to view the scholastic book display set up by our librarians. Yesterday the school was treated to readings and displays of original art by local artist **Helen Taylor**. She spoke about the development of a book from start to finish. There are pictures later in the newsletter. We have another author coming on Thursday **Alex Hallett**, who will share her work and give a cartoon lesson. Our super thanks to **Miss May Bryant** who has done an outstanding job bringing this week together.

Remember **Friday 7th August** is book character dress up day - NO coin is required - this is a **Funraiser!!! Not a Fundraiser**.



Community Consultation - Curriculum

Tomorrow we will be sending out a questionnaire/survey to ask questions and seek your views on our local curriculum. Some of the questions refer to big picture ideas whilst others are more directed at specific areas. Later in our process there will be more opportunities to discuss particular curriculum areas e.g. mathematics, reading, languages. This first survey is but one way planned to hear community voice.

Thank you in advance for partnering with us. Staff will be asked similar questions as will students.

Whilst this process is an expectation of the Ministry, this is the part of the Board of Trustees strategic planning schedule.

Visitors today

Today Mr Trevor Beaton and Mrs Christine Nijdam joined us for a tour of the school and for morning tea. These two people are taonga in our school, and it was wonderful to see the welcome from our students.

Trevor was Acting Principal in 2015 - 2016 and Christine was the school's LSM/Commissioner 2014-2016. The school campus had not been finished when they left, and they were complimentary of the way the spaces were being used. Trevor has been unwell and prayers are welcome. *He aha te mea nui o te ao?*

Blessings Averil



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Upcoming Events

7 August	Winter Sport Tournament
7 August	Book Character Mufti Day
7 August	School Disco
12 August	Canterbury Cross Country

2020 Term Dates

Term 3 - Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Term 4 - Monday 12 October - Friday 11 December

Teacher only day - Tuesday 27 October

Church Certificates

Inaka	Zara T
Pūtakitaki	Imogen B
Kōura	Mackenzie H
Tuaki	Tyree D-A
Karoro	Austin S
Pingao	Thomas F
Karengo	Hannah P
Kahawai	Annabelle P
Toroa	Esha J

Sports Results

Netball

St Mark's Penguins 2 v Sumner Redcliffs 4

Player of the Day: Lucy C

St Mark's Dolphins 9 v Merrin 4

Player of the Day: Tiffany C/Sofia D

St Mark's Leopards won 9-3

Player of the Day: Shree L

St Mark's Lions lost 15-3

Player of the Day: Alyssa A

Basketball

St Mark's Saints 19 v OLA Crusaders 15

Player of the Day: Daniel S

St Mark's Year 5 14 v Pioneer Pumas 12

Player of the Day: Hosea F

Coffee Cart

Open Mon/Wed/Fri mornings 8:30 – 9:10am

Our coffees are great value, our fluffies are a hit and all profits feed back into the school under the PA umbrella.

We offer cash and eftpos facilities

St Mark's School - Scholastic Book Fair 2020

The Scholastic Book Fair runs until tomorrow 6 August.

Books will be available for purchase using cash or eftpos in Ōmoho from 8.00am and after school until 3.30. The profits made are used to buy extra books for the St Mark's School library.

Don't forget Friday is Book Character Mufti Day.



Subway can be ordered for lunch every **Tuesday**. To place an online order, visit www.subway.co.nz/schools and follow the instructions to place your order by 9am each Subway day. Alternatively, envelopes are in the office and you can either pay with the correct cash or credit card.

Year 6/7 Bridle Path Walk

Karengo and Kahawai walked the Bridle Path track last Monday. It was a stunning day and we were blessed with outstanding views. WE are focusing on our Cultural Narrative, the five marks of mission and suffragettes/pioneers. The students set an impressive pace to reach the summit and gathered plenty of facts along the way.



Duration of walk:
4.8km track, 2 hour return.

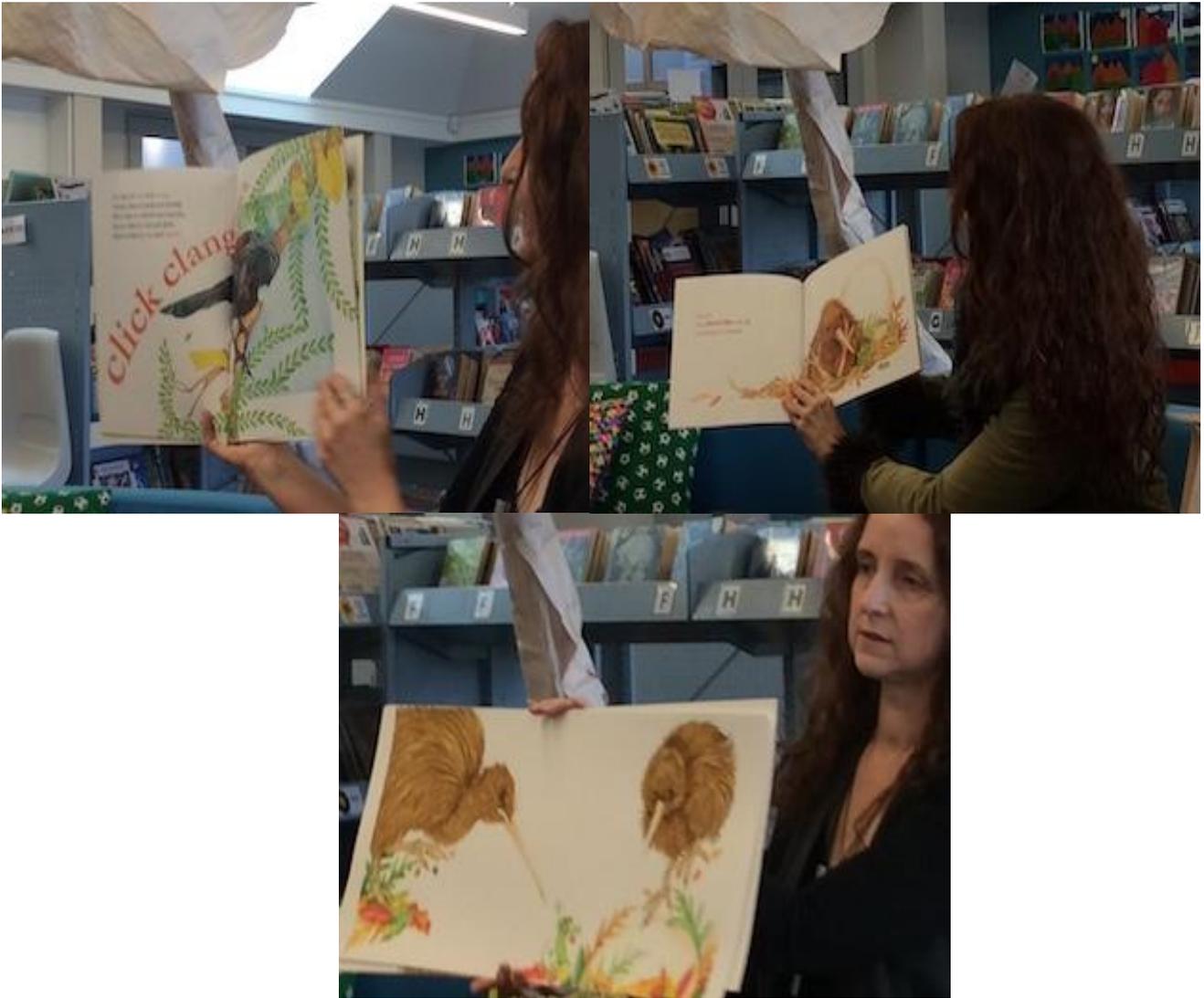
Elevation: 386m



This route was first constructed in 1850 for Canterbury's first European settlers travelling between Lyttelton and Christchurch. A steep track but stunning views over the city to the Southern Alps and of Lyttelton and Banks Peninsula make it worthwhile! There are a number of memorial seats on the way up and a stone shelter at the top to commemorate the pioneer women of Canterbury.



Helen Taylor - Local Artist



Helen reading to the students in Ōmoho

St Marks

DISCO



ENTRY
\$2

AUG
7TH

Yr 0-4 6pm-7:15pm

Yr 5-8 7:30pm to 9pm

Parent to come and collect your child (sign
in hall/sign out hall exit)

Hot Chips & potato chips available for
purchase. Drinks free.

Face painting at junior disco for a gold coin
donation.