



# St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 8  
12 September 2018

Dear St Mark's family,

Some notices for your attention and interest.

## Seesaw

The introduction of Seesaw in our school has provided families an opportunity to see their child's work in real time and as we get better at using it, a place for students to be astute about the quality of what they share. It is designed to be used as sharing between home and school - an additional learning tool. Thank you to those who are using it. Ask your teacher if you need more information.

## Wearable Arts

We are working hard to support the students in their bid to create outstanding costumes for our shows next week. **Tickets are available from the office now! \$5 per ticket.** It is going to be a fabulous student - led show.

Please find confirmed details below:

- Wearable Art Shows - Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th September
- Times:  
**6.00pm Mokihi** - (Students to be at **school by 5.30pm** in Mokihi)

**6.30pm Refreshments for sale in Ōmoho - Parents Association**

**7.00pm Waka Puhara and Waka Hourua** - (Students to be at school by 6.30pm in Waka Puhara and Waka Hourua)

For those students not in costume formal school uniform please.

## Disco

Very exciting discos are planned this Friday with a guest DJ, selected playlists, food, glow sticks and dancing all combine for fun!! Come and enjoy that fun and support the work of our wonderful PA!

## Kapahaka

Students and families have been informed about the kapa haka team performing at the Tuhono Festival at Hillview Christian School next Friday 21st September. Following on from our great inaugural performance in 2017, we come to this year's performance with brand new kapahaka uniforms that outwardly reflect our special character and our shared manaakitanga, whanaungatanga and mahi tahi. I want to thank **Matua Steve Reid, Mrs Louise Elliot, Mrs Tash Northcott, Mrs Delwyn Wright and Mrs Ngaere Dawson** for bringing our vision to life.

## Discovery Junction

This week I met with the Centre Managers - **Margaret and Helen** - of the new preschool across the road in Cholmondeley Ave called Discovery Junction. They are visiting local schools in the area and as we can all see the opening of this centre is imminent. I showed them around our school and talked to them of our special character and heard a little of their philosophy on Early Childhood Education. They left some business cards on the front desk for any of our community who may be interested.

## Blue Do

On Tuesday 18th September staff will be participating in a "Blue Do" breakfast to support of Research into Prostate Cancer. This disease has affected past and current staff members personally and it is an opportunity to contribute to research understanding ways to help those men affected and improve prognosis. There is an official collection box at the front desk of the office should you wish to contribute to this cause.

Blessings everyone, Averil



*Transforming lives through the St Mark's Story*

# School Notices

## Upcoming Events

17 Sept	Y7-8 Mt Hutt Ski Trip
19-20 Sept	Wearable Arts Show
21 Sept	Kapahaka Tuhono Festival
26 Sept	Itinerant Music Evening
28 Sept	End of Term Service

## Church Certificates

Raupo	Henri H
Inaka	Darcy Q
Kereru	Indie L
Ti Kouka	Tiffany C
Kamana	Piper E
Toetoe	Ethan S
Kotuku	Theo S
Paua	Sam T
Mako	Luka L-F
Wheke	Elizabeth R
Toroa	Freddie T

## Principal's awards

Abigail W - For outstanding creative writing  
Stella P - For excellence in writing and descriptive language  
Samantha P - For creating an enduring memory book for her church buddy  
Darcy Q - For spelling words without help!  
Amazing writing.  
Ariana W-S - For amazing independent writing

## Sports Results

Another strong game by the Year 5 Saints basketball team.  
Saints **6** vs Somerfield Sting **2**  
Player of the day - Rafi W-S - great handling of the ball, finding space, passing around and defence.

## Thank you from Ruth Hitchins

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported my family through my son's severe illness these past weeks. Your compassion and generosity of spirit has meant a lot and I am so grateful to be a part of the wonderful St Marks family. Arohanui. Ruth Hitchins

## Singing Cup

Last week, the finals were held for the Singing Cup. Students and parents / whānau had the opportunity to listen to our amazingly talented singers. Huge congratulations go to all of the participants for their amazing courage (māiatanga) in singing in front of their peers.

We were treated to a wonderful array of different musical styles, from classical to contemporary. Mr Charles Levings, our judge, awarded the following placings:

### Years 4-8

**Girl's Solo:** - Samantha P 1st, Isla R 2nd, Emily D 3rd  
**Boy's Solo:** Ioli K 1st, Michael C 2nd, Matthew C 3rd

**Duet Cup:** Maddy C & Samantha P 1st, Emily H & Miriama N 2nd, Hannah W & Olivia C 3rd

### Years 0-3

**Girl's Solo:** Caeli Mc 1st, Tiffany C 2nd, Kali N 3rd  
**Boy's Solo:** James P 1st, Theodore H 2nd, James D 3rd

### Emily Wells

**Lead Teacher, Music**

**Well done to all our 7/8 teams at Winter Sport this year.**

**Our Year 7/8 Football team placed 1st in Division 3 they were undefeated all season!**

Oliver (captain), Enzo, Jeremy, Bede, Max Y, Max H, Solomon, Luka, Max W, Freddie, Ben M, Max B, Jordi, Inaki, Trinity.  
Many thanks to Mr Gordon

**Year 7/8 Hockey team placed 3rd in Division 1**

A huge thank you to Prashill who coached the team  
Olivia C-S, Lilah, William, Olivia B, Hannah W, Max H, Tom H, Raj R, Zachary, Vivek, Ella T (Captain), Oliver C

**Our Year 7/8 Netball team placed 3rd in their Division**

Thank you to Bridget Sullivan who coached the team

Anna R, Holly Rose, Sophia W, Sophia S, Minnie, Plumm, Lucy, Charlotte, Samantha, Ruby



## St Mark's School Fair Saturday 3rd November

### Horticulture Stand Contact:

**Tania Sharr - Phone 021 380 559**

**Email [tania.sharr@hotmail.com](mailto:tania.sharr@hotmail.com)**

Calling all families!!!! We need YOU!!! Do you have anything you could donate for the horticultural stand? If you are able to donate any items related to the garden please contact Tania. Some examples include -

#### **Edible items**

Fruit and/or vegetables

Eggs

Bread

#### **Plants**

Flowers (cut or in pots)

Trees or shrubs that you no longer need.

Seedlings

#### **Other garden items**

Pots

Manure for gardens

Garden gnomes

Garden stakes, tunnels

Anything garden!!!!!!!!!!!!

#### **Spring has sprung – Great time to plant for seedling**

Help your garden and the fair by growing seedling. Take your vegetable seedling pots from last year. If you don't have any ask family and friends for any spares. Great to reuse! Get a bag of seedling mix. Most seedling mix bags will do 20 or more 6 punnet containers. Great value!

Below is what seeds work really well and easy - one seed per slot (don't worry if 2 seeds go in).

All beans (runner beans, broad beans etc)

Peas (garden, snow and snap peas)

Pumpkin

Courgette

Spinach

Kale

Lettuce (including salad greens)

PS don't forgot to write what is in the punnet. Either get an icecream stick and write on it what the plant is and stick it in the pot or write on the back of the plant identifier tag. Herbs also will do really well in any old pots you have.



**Plant a Potato Bag for the Fair!**

Buy a bag of seed potatoes (salad potatoes are great as they would be ready by Christmas) and mushroom compost or any growing soil. Plant one seed potato per 10 litres of container mix. So this is fantastic value, great fundraiser and good way to keep a bag or two for Christmas potatoes.

Any large container and most sturdy plastic bags will work. Like your old green recycling bucket, a cracked laundry bucket (drainage holes done!). An old sack.


Half fill your pot/bag, add the seed spud and then cover with at least 20cm of soil. Don't fuss about mounding up the plants as they grow but do water them if it's hot and dry.



Potato foliage needs to be in full sun but, if possible, shade the pots (tuck them behind other containers, for example) to keep the roots cool.

**Bring your pot/bag to school fair.**





## Drop off locations

### **Bryndwr**

The Great Opportunity Shop, 288 Clyde Road

### **City Centre**

The Great Opportunity Shop, 275 Hereford Street

### **Fendalton**

St Barnabas Church, 8 Tui Street

### **Halswell**

St Mary's Anglican Church, 329 Halswell Rd

### **Kaiapoi**

The Great Opportunity Shop, 158 Williams Street

### **Lincoln**

St Stephens Anglican Church, 1 James Street

### **Rangiora**

The Great Opportunity Shop, 5a Good Street

### **Rolleston**

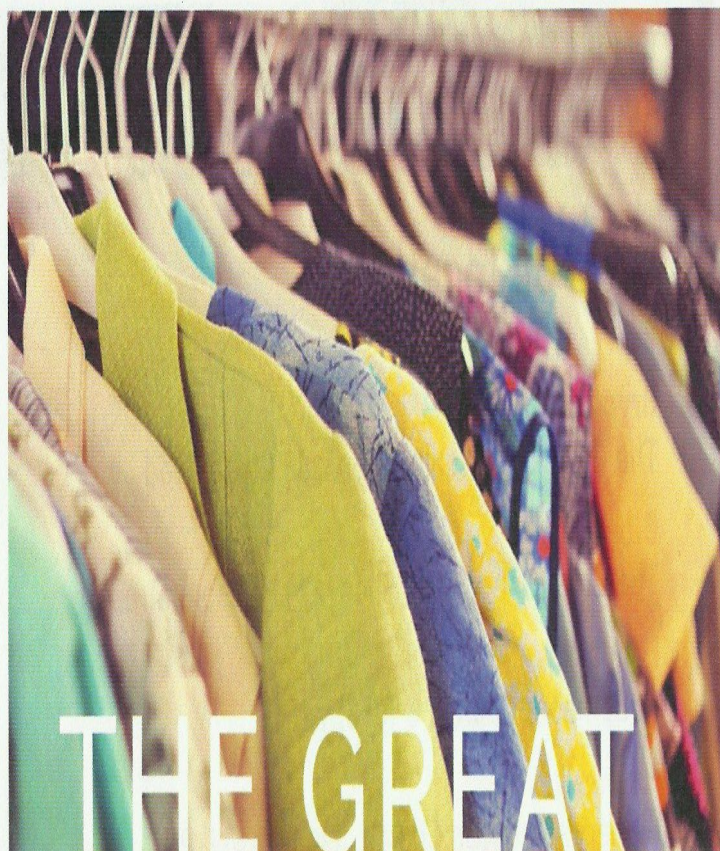
Rolleston Community Centre, 94 Rolleston Drive

### **Sydenham**

Great Opportunity Shop, 63 Buchan Street

For larger goods, contact us on (03) 365 0633 to arrange a pick up.

[www.citymission.org.nz](http://www.citymission.org.nz)



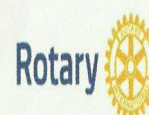
# THE GREAT CLOTHING DRIVE

Support our community by donating your pre-loved clothing and household items.

**Saturday 15 September**  
**9am - 3pm**



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# TŪHONO KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL



Connecting children, communities, and culture

## COME AND CELEBRATE THEIR TALENT AND HARD WORK

**Friday 21 September 2018**

- + Potiki (Junior) Concert 4.30 – 5.30pm
- + Waenga (Intermediate) Concert 6.30 – 7.30pm
- + Mataamua (Senior) Concert 8 – 9pm

**Hillview Christian School Gym**  
**150 Wilsons Rd**

Hangi meals – Adult \$12 / Kids \$7

## Tickets

<b>\$10</b>	<b>Adults</b>
<b>\$2</b>	<b>Children</b>

Available from your school office.



For more info our Facebook page  
is "Tuhono Kapa Haka Festival"  
Phone 027 270 7460

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