

St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 4 Week 1 16 October 2019

Dear St Mark's whānau,

WELCOME BACK! Term 4 is full - of events, celebrations and learning!

Please check the calendar carefully for dates of events for your family.

Church Services

- Friday is our Term 4 Eucharist Service. All whānau members are invited. We ask that all boys wear white shirts.
- Waka Hourua have their annual service at St Anne's this Sunday 20th October. This is a poignant day as it will be the last time the school worships in the St Anne's School building. We ask that all Waka Hourua students attend this important service - formal uniform please.
- Pet Service Next Friday 25th October. The time in the calendar is currently set down for 2.00pm. Rev. Ben and I are reviewing the time - a message will be sent if there is a change from the time advertised.

Centenary Celebrations

This is confirmation that the dates set aside for the celebrations of 100 years of this wonderful school will be:

April 9th - 11th 2021.

The committee met again yesterday with further planning in terms of booking events and finalising a program for the weekend on the agenda. Advertising via the school website, a new school facebook page and other media will be key to connect with alumni. The committee hope to outline the program by the end of 2019. In the meantime share the dates with as many people as you can!

PA

The PA as you know are a vital part of our school life. Countless volunteer hours and tireless work toward fundraising, are so valued by us all. The current focus of their efforts are the development of our playground areas. Coming up is the Fair - a highlight for us all. Your support so far is appreciated.

Tombola Jars (a new concept to me in 2016!) shifted to eco friendly and recycled items last year and it will be the same this year. Consider what you might include in your jars and the prize of class pizza for the highest number in a class, and prize for the most innovative tombola jar!

Staff

The Board of Trustees are currently working on confirming staffing for 2020 - as soon as this is confirmed I will share with the community. In the meantime when not teaching, staff played netball against the year 8's (Mrs Bigelow at centre was dynamic!), afix makeup to stars in shows and share a "Blue do breakfast" in support of the prostate cancer appeal.









Blessings everyone Averil

Upcoming	Events
18 Oct	Eucharist Service - 9am
20 Oct	Waka Hourua Church Service -10am
21 Oct	Yr 8 Art Gallery trip
23 Oct	Waka Hourua Science Roadshow
24 Oct	School Photographs
25 Oct	Pet Service - 2pm
28 Oct	Labour Day
29 Oct	Teacher Only Day
31 Oct	Athletics Day - Year 3-8
2 Nov	School Fair
6 Nov	Itinerant Music Evening - 6pm
7 Nov	Kids in Town - 12pm
8 Nov	Grandparents' Day - 9am
15 Nov	Canterbury Show Day
18-20 Nov	Year 4-5 Woodend Camp
18 Nov	New Parents Evening - 7pm
19 Nov	Year 3 Big Day Out at Woodend
21-22 Nov	Year 7 Leadership Camp
21 Nov	Junior Athletics Day - Year 0-2
27-29 Nov	Special Character Review
28 Nov	Year 8 Dance
2 Dec	Year 8 Air Force Museum
3 Dec	Year 8 Can Sail
4 Dec	Mokihi Carol Singing at
	Transitional Cathedral - 1.30pm
5 Dec	Advent Carol Service - 7pm
	Transitional Cathedral
6 Dec	Year 3-7 Waltham Pool - 11.30am
9 Dec	Year 7-8 Beach Education
10 Dec	Year 8 Leavers Dinner - 6pm
11 Dec	Internal Sport/Cultural
40.5	Prizegiving - 1.30pm
12 Dec	Year 8 Jellie Park
12 Dec	School Prizegiving - 7pm

2020 Term Dates

13 Dec

Term 1 - 27 and 28 January Parent/Teacher/Child conferences. Wednesday 29 first full day of term.

End of School 2019 Carol

Term 1 - Monday 27 January - Thursday 9 April

Service - 2pm

Term 2 - Tuesday 28 April - Friday 3rd July.

Teacher only day - Tuesday 2 June

Term 3 - Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Term 4 - Monday 12 October - Friday 11 December

Teacher only day - Tuesday 27 October

Prize giving Cups

Children, who were awarded Cups and Trophies at the 2018 Prize Giving ceremony, are asked to return these to the school office by Thursday 31 October. It would be greatly appreciated if these can be polished before returning.

Intermediate Schools Inter-Regional **Cross Country**

Top runners from across four regions, Wellington, Canterbury, South Canterbury and Tasman, contested for the Phil Costley Shield & Dixon Baton.

Year 5 runners did two laps of a 1km distance with rough terrain.

Canterbury won both events!

Meg W was placed 14th in a field of 50. Meg was also voted most appreciated team member by her teammates.



School Photographs

These are scheduled for Thursday 24 October. Formal uniform is to be worn. Boys are to wear white shirts and shoes and socks for all children. Class, individual and family photographs will be taken. If you wish to have a family photograph, please return the form sent home by this Friday 18 October.

Scholastic Book Club

Order forms for Scholastic Books have been sent home. Orders may be placed direct with Scholastic at www.mybookclub.scholastic.nz. An easy way to order online yourself and will be delivered direct to school. Orders close on Friday 25 October. The Gift Function has been turned on in LOOP! This allows parents to place a separate order as a surprise gift for their child. Items marked as a gift will be delivered to school and will be set aside at the school office for parents to collect.

Spring Fair

Farewell at **St Anne's Church** cnr Centaurus & Wilsons Roads 8:30am, Sat 19th Oct 2019

It's our last fair at St Anne's. Come along for ...



CHRISTCHURCH TRANSITIONAL CATHEDRAL NEW ZEALAND





RAISE SOME DOUGH FOR RUSSLEY SCHOOL

LETS RAISE SOME DOUGH TO HELP RUSSLEY SCHOOL RE-BUILD AFTER THEIR DEVASTATING CLASSROOM FIRE.

PARTICIPATING STORES INCLUDE:

ADDINGTON, BISHOPDALE, ILAM, HORNBY, HALSWELL, CASHMERE, RANGIORA, LINCOLN, ROLLESTON, LINWOOD, NEW BRIGHTON, WOOLSTON & SHIRLEY FOR KIDS AGES 1-13 FREE ENTRY!

JUNGLE JUNGLE LIGHT PARTY

A POSITIVE ALTERNATE TO HALLOWEEN

THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER Preschoolers 5pm - 6pm

School age 6pm - 8pm

Elim Church Christchurch City 285 Cashel Street

For more info contact Richard Kenny P 365 5674 or M 021 025 92408 (during school hours)

BOUNCY CASTLE, DJ, SAUSAGE SIZZLE, LOADS OF FUN!

no drop-offs - parents/caregivers must stay to supervise their children