

Timaru Christian School - Honouring God in all we do



Week 6, Term 2, 2013
13th June 2013

Dear Parents / Caregivers, Whanau,

You may have heard in the news about national standards results being released online and some results being scaled back due to assessment tools that were marking results too highly. The tool that they are referring to is only one of many that we use at TCS to assess students, in the senior school, and not the only way we determine how a child is achieving in relation to national standards. The best place to learn about our national standards results is from us – in our newsletter, our annual report and in your child's report. Our mid-year reports will be sent home at the end of the term. Keeping that in mind, it is important to remember our school focuses on the 'whole' child, the spiritual, emotional, physical and academic aspects of their development. If you have any questions about any aspect of your child's learning, please talk to your child's teacher.

This week's memory verse is one of hope... *"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."*
1 John 1:9.

God bless,
Bethany Rentoul.

IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES

Congratulations!

The following students received certificates this week:

Rm 1: Anuscka Zwiendelaar – good persuasive writing

Rm 2: Kenshin Middlemass – great group work

Rm 4: Peter Tafunaina – excellent Maths Certificates progress

Kaela Macartney – great work in writing

Rm 5: Casey Brosnahan – displaying leadership ability

Tayla Cvitanich – displaying leadership ability

Walkathon Sponsorship Returns

Please return all walkathon sponsorship forms and money to the office as soon as possible.

Car-Park Safety

- Please observe the 7 km/h speed limit in the school grounds at all times.
- Only parents of children in Rooms 1 and 2 may park in the spaces closest to the island in the main car park.

Absences and Attendance

Please ensure that your child arrives at school before 8.55 am each morning so they can be ready before the first bell rings. When a child is late it disrupts the class and can be unsettling for them at the start of the day. Please also remember a child should only be absent from school for sickness or bereavements, and the school office must be notified before 9 am (phone 688 1422 or text 027 751 2722). **A note needs to be provided confirming the absence when your child returns to school.**

Thank you

A big thank you goes to Debra Harris for her donation of a picnic table.

'OTHER' NOTICES

Prayer Meetings

Please join us for prayer every Thursday at 9 am in the staffroom.

World Vision Famine

Please return all forms and monies to the office for the 20/40-Hour Famine.

Basketball Draw

TCS Thunder vs Opihi

Thurs 13th June; 6.20 pm SBS Court 1

Duty Team: 6.55 pm

Uniform Shop

Due to the Fossil Hunt, the uniform shop will be closed on Tuesday 25th June.

School Directory Correction

Please note that the telephone number for KidStart (inside back cover) is incorrect. It should be **686-2393**.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Volunteer Expo

Wednesday 19th June at the Caroline Bay Hall from 11 am to 4.30 pm. A wide range of organisations will be in attendance so come and see what it's about! There is a 7" tablet to give away to one volunteer who registers on the day.

Great Stories for Juniors

Four of Richard Gunther's books for age 5-6s are available at http://www.beaconmedia.com.au/bm/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=164:animal-friends&catid=57:literacy&Itemid=68

Football Coaching

Northern Hearts Football Club is offering a two day Professional Coaching Clinic during the July school holidays for boys and girls aged 5-14 years at the Aorangi Stadium on Thurs 18th and Fri 19th July. Entries close Friday 28th June 2013. \$50 for two days or \$30 for one day. See noticeboard for details.

Early Childhood Education

Have you thought of a career in early childhood? As a Barnardos Kidstart educator you'll work in your own home providing care and education for up to four children under five years, including your own, and you can choose the days and hours that suit you and your family. You do need to be passionate about nurturing children and growing imaginations, and you need to be able to provide a safe, supportive and caring environment for them. To learn more give Anne, Jo or Heather a call on 687 7368.

IMPORTANT DATES

Term Two

June 24th - Fossil Hunt with John Mackay

June 27th - BoT Meeting

July 4th - PTA Meeting 7.30 pm

July 12th - End of Term 2

PARENT to PARENT Greater Canterbury



Would you like:

- information on your child's disability, health impairment or special need
- contact with a parent who has a child with a similar condition
- to be part of our coffee groups and activities

Phone: 03 365 3239 or 0508 236 236

Email: gtrcanterbury@parent2parent.org.nz

Website: www.parent2parent.org.nz

John Mackay In Timaru



Monday & Tuesday
24th & 25th June 7pm

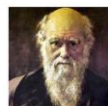
At Mountainview High School Auditorium –
67 Pages Rd, Timaru (Gold coin donation entry please)

2 Topics

➤ **Dinosaurs and Dragons**
..the evidence the Bible
is true from the beginning



➤ **Demolishing Dawkins and Darwin**



Time for Questions each night

DVD's for sale on the night

John Mackay is the director of Creation Research in Australia and along with Ken Ham started the Creation Science work in Australia. John has appeared widely on TV around the globe and is host to many documentaries and winner of many debates. His latest very popular TV documentary (2012) is 'Time's up Darwin'

Phone Matt for more info: 03 684 4071 or 027 684 4071
Or email: mattyc@maxnet.co.nz

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