

# Timaru Christian School - Honouring God in all we do



**Week 5, Term 4, 2013**  
**14<sup>th</sup> November 2013**

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whanau,

We have so many different ways to communicate these days. Just in my lifetime we've been given facebook, twitter, email, skype, faxes, cellphones, blogs, websites – and I didn't even think I was that old! ☺ And with increased access, it is becoming more important than ever to teach our children, and remind ourselves, about the importance of using communication tools effectively and wisely. An email sent in anger can't be retrieved the next day, after the emotions have cooled. A blog is there for the world to see and critique and judge – by people you've never met before. It's when we communicate face-to-face that we see and understand the intent and true message of a person's words. We get instant clarification if we don't understand and we can pad out our ideas to more than 140 characters (c.f. tweets). It is our job as teachers and parents to teach, and model to, our children how to communicate effectively, in an open, honest, respectful way so that, in time, people will listen as they communicate God's message to them.

*Ma te Atua e manaaki*

God bless,  
Bethany Rentoul  
Principal

## Congratulations

Well done to the following students who earned certificates this week:

**Marlena Sauerland** – writing her first sentences in English

**Faith Bruning** – Great progress in reading

**Jacob Roscoe** – Great effort in reading

**Heidi Uys** – Sharing good ideas

**Paualily Anisy Oudemans** – working well with diary writing

**Aroha Wilson** – Great self-editing skills in story writing

**April Omelvena** – being a reliable buddy reader

**Laetitia Manson** – super story writing

## IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES

### Uniform Shop Helper

The PTA is looking for someone to run the uniform shop in 2014. It involves keeping books, ordering and opening the shop for half an hour per week. Full

training will be given. Please let the office know if you are available and we'll put you in contact with the right people.

### Lost Property

We have a very large number of unnamed items in the lost property. Please take time to look through this as it will be donated elsewhere at the end of Week 6.

### Lost Jersey

Please check your child's jersey in case he/she has mistakenly picked up one labelled 'Sheard'.

### Suggestion Box

From time to time we get some really good suggestions from students and parents about things we could do around our school. In the interest of ensuring we don't miss out on any of these great ideas, we now have a suggestion box at the school office. If you would like to share an idea for TCS, please fill out a form and post it in the box.

## 'OTHER' NOTICES

### Carpet Cleaner Sought

If anyone has a carpet cleaning machine that can be made available to the school for a few days, please contact the office.

### Prayer Meetings

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

### T-Ball

Well done to the team on a great start to the season. Tomorrow's game, 15<sup>th</sup> November, will be played on Diamond 4.

### Basketball Draw

TCS Hurricanes vs Temuka Breakers  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Nov, 6.55 pm, STEC Court 1



### Facebook

Don't forget to find us on Facebook – we regularly post photos and updates.

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Attention Pipers and Drummers

If you're a current or former piper or drummer, or if you would like to learn, the Timaru Scottish Society Pipe Band needs you! 3 experienced and well known tutors; no cost involved and all equipment is supplied. For piping contact 686 9215, for drumming contact 684 3104 or speak to Pauline 614 7458.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Term Three/Four

- Nov 15<sup>th</sup> - PTA Quiz Evening
- Nov 21<sup>st</sup> - Swimming
- Nov 28<sup>th</sup> - Swimming
- Nov 28<sup>th</sup> - PTA Meeting
- Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> - SC Athletics (pp 5<sup>th</sup> Dec)
- Dec 5<sup>th</sup> - Swimming
- Dec 5<sup>th</sup> - BoT Meeting
- Dec 12<sup>th</sup> - Swimming
- Dec 13<sup>th</sup> - Prizegiving
- Dec 16<sup>th</sup> - Fun Day at the Bay (End of Term 4)

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