

Timaru Christian School - Honouring God in all we do



Week 4, Term 1
27th February 2014

Dear Parents/Community/Whanau
I can remember standing on the Kawerau bridge, back before the grey hairs and wrinkles, with a big rubber band attached to my legs and a whole lot of cold, rushing water swirling many metres below. Bungy jumping sounded like a good idea earlier that morning but reality had my heart pumping at an astounding rate. But I took the leap of faith (that the cord wouldn't break), closed my eyes tight so I couldn't see anything, and jumped. It was quite a rush afterwards and I was so glad I did it, not that I'll ever do it again.

There are so many things we think would be a good idea but we get self-conscious or imagine the worst-case scenarios and chicken out. It often seems easier to give up and let a few people down rather than go outside of our comfort zones. And, often, those around us are the poorer for it. We each have something to offer others around us. We are assured that 'I can do everything through Him who gives me strength.' (Philippians 4:13). What, this week, could you do in spite of how nervous it makes you feel, that will help others in a wonderful way and develop those positive relationships within our school even further? (Feel the fear and do it anyway!)

Ma te Atua e manaaki

God Bless,
Bethany Rentoul

Congratulations

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

- Oscar Hill** – thinking through problems in Maths
- Lettie Waldron** – putting in such an awesome effort
- Anuscka Zwiendelaar** – for being reliable
- Amane Middlemass** – super work on reading activities
- David Keen** – great effort in story writing
- Jemima Kartolo** – thinking through problems in writing
- Adam Keen** – thinking through problems in writing.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Prayer Meetings

The Thursday morning prayer meetings continue (9 am in the staffroom). If you have any prayer items or requests, please let us know and we can write them into the book.

Plunket Fundraiser

On Friday of next week (7th March) we will be holding a Mufti Day to raise funds for Plunket. Children are invited to dress up as a baby or in their parents' clothes in honour of this valuable organization. Please bring along a gold coin donation so we can pass it on. This has been organized by the Young Leaders.

Sausage Sizzle

A reminder that children can order their sausage before school for \$2 per sausage (bread and sauce included) and all profits raised will be donated to the Shelterbox project which is run by Rotary International. You can learn more about them at <http://www.shelterbox.org.nz/>.

WAVE Update

This week our WAVE team met to discuss our plans for the gardens. The garden beside the preschool is going to be called our Ministry Garden because we will grow vegetables there to give away to people. The tyre gardens will be filled with berry plants and the children will be free to pick and munch during play and lunchtimes. The Island Garden (at the front of the school) will be used to grow potatoes which we will sell.

Soon we will be setting up a worm farm so we can get rid of food scraps in an environmentally-friendly way. This team has some great ideas!

Scholastic Book Club

The latest brochures are available from the office. Return date is 7th March.

Jump Jam

This year it would be great to enter a team in the Jump Jam competition which is being held in June. This involves selecting a Jump Jam song with the actions provided, teaching it to a group of keen students, making some adaptations so it becomes our own, working out costumes and watching them perform at the Theatre Royal. There is training available for coaches and teams in May. If you have the time and talents, please let us know at the office as soon as possible.

TeeBall

This week's game will be played on Diamond 6.

Term One Calendar

27th Feb - Swimming

3rd Mar – ERO visiting the school this week

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6th Mar – PAL workshop (Senior Student Leaders)
11th Mar – Year 5/6 Rural Schools Golf Tournament
18th Mar – Ki o rahi training – Young Leaders
25th Mar – South Canterbury Summer Tournament
1st & 2nd Apr – Parent-Teacher interviews
4th Apr – South Canterbury Swimming Competition
9th Apr – Year 7/8 Rural Schools Basketball Tournament
15th Apr – Rural Schools Ki o rahi tournament
17th Apr – End of Term One

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SOUTH CANTERBURY GYMSPORTS Inc is now to accepting enrolments for the 2014 Recreation Gymnastics season, beginning 26 February. An exciting new Incentive Awards Programme is now being offered (from age 6/7 years on), as well as Kiwi GymFun (ages 5/6 years) and Pregym classes (under 5's). For enrolments or further enquiries please call Nicole Wilson 686 2200 or (027) 264 5515.

Catzart

To help with the development of drawing and Acrylic paints. To teach drawing of movement 3D, still life. Pencil drawing, Charcoal Drawing, Oil Pastels. To teach painting with mixing and using colour.: Acrylic Paints, Ink Painting. And to ensure students have fun while learning. All enquiries welcome. ART CLASSIS FOR TERM 2, START 5th May 2014. Contact Catrina Reddington, Phone: (03) 688 6422; Email catrina.catzart@xtra.co.nz

Timaru School of Music

Timaru School of Music offers tuition in small groups to primary aged children. We have vacancies in recorder, flute, clarinet, trumpet and guitar classes. A one-off fee of \$20 per child is payable at enrolment. Hire instruments are available at \$20 per term. Inquiries please phone 684 8479, 684 4465 or email timaruschoolofmusic@gmail.com.

Celtic Junior Rugby

Registration Days for 2014- Wednesday 26th February, 4pm-6pm & Sunday 2nd March, 10am-12pm, at Celtic Club Rooms, Craigie Avenue, Timaru. All new players to provide copy of Birth Certificate. Any enquiries please contact Simon Richards 0274570990 or Gill Taylor 6863299.

Timaru Old Boys JAB Rugby

Timaru Old Boys JAB are holding their rugby registration days this week.

All existing and new players please come along on Wednesday 26th February at 4:30pm or Sunday 2nd March at 10am-12 at the Old Boys Clubrooms on Quarry Road. Subs \$40, 2 players \$65 or \$90 for 3 or more. Each child will receive a free water bottle, mouth-guard and end of year photo on payment of subs. First practice is Weds 5th March at 4:30pm and the season kicks off on the 29th March. See ya there!

For Sale

x3 Navy Shorts Size 10 @ \$10 each and 1 Jersey Size 87cm 34" @ \$25, Phone 0278144780

Gymnastics

The Timaru Gymnastics Club is now taking enrolments for 2014 classes for boys and girls 5 years and over. Existing and new members please phone:- Christine Caird 684 3221 or Betty McIver 684 7438. An Open Day will be held on Sunday 16th Feb 2-3 pm in the Celtic Hall, Cnr Craigie Ave and Browne St. All ages welcome.

Kaye Blackham Dance Studio

Introductory Dance Workshops being held from 17th to 27th Feb for 5-10yrs boys & girls - TAP-JAZZ-DRAMA-SINGING - rhythm beats, co-ordination moves....plus much more....starting March NEW FUN BEGINNERS CLASSES Focus is on learning dance routines in both Tap & Jazz - improves skills, co-ordination, listening & memory - Studio offers - Private lessons - boys only class ! - successful multi-skilled pupils who are constantly challenged...contact kaye4dance@yahoo.co.nz

Children's Day 2014

For families looking for fun activities on Sunday 2 March, the ever popular Children's Day event is the place to be, at the Caroline Bay hall from 10am to 2pm. This annual event will offer an array of events and activities that will keep families busy and will be a great opportunity for mums and dads to join in and do things with their children.

Every week you save, you could win your share of \$10,000.

We want to help teach kids the value of saving each week. Every week that they deposit from as little as \$1 into their ASB Headstart account they'll go in the draw to win a \$20, \$50 or \$100 cash prize. This is sure to fast track their savings and get them closer to their goals. Whatever they may be. The competition runs from 27 January to 14 April, then again from 5 May to 25 June. Deposits can be made through ASB's school savings programme, internet banking (or other electronic method) or at your local ASB branch.

To find out more, contact your school office.

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