



From the Principal's desk...

Tomorrow our school is hosting a Pasifika Day for all Pasifika students from TCS, Timaru South and Waimataitai Schools. It's a wonderful opportunity for those families to come together and celebrate one another's cultures and the beautiful things that are unique to all of them. If your child received an invitation to the event, please remember to send them along in traditional dress from your country or your country's colours. They also need to each bring along a plate of food that is special to your culture which will be shared with others. Pasifika families from each of the schools are also invited to come along for the day.

The rest of our classes will continue with 'school as usual'. One of the activities of the day involves seeing a fire engine and going through a maze inside an inflatable building to simulate what to do in a house fire. Our Year 1-6 students have been invited to experience those things so please ask them about what they have learnt when they get home. May we each realise just how blessed we are in the coming week.

Ma te Atua e manaaki. (God bless).

Bethany Rentoul

Netball Draw for Friday 18th May

3.30pm Court 1 - Year 3/4 Rural Lightning v Waimataitai Silver

Could girls please wear their blue shorts and white polo tops.

Netball Draw for Saturday 19th May for Years 5-8

9am – Court 8 - Rural Raiders v Bluestone Hurricanes (Year 5 – Mrs Phiskie)

9 am - Court 12 - Rural Rockets v Pleasant Point Tactix (Year 6 – Mrs Withington)

10 am – Court 3 – Rural Magic v Sacred Heart Blue (Year 7 – Mrs Bruning))

11 am – Court 6 – Rural Mystics v Sacred Heart Red (Year 8 – B. Braddick)

Enjoy your games girls.

Pasifika Day: Tomorrow, 18th May, all Pasifika students from Timaru Christian, Timaru South and Waimataitai Schools are joining together for a day of activities which celebrate their beautiful cultures. It will be hosted by our school.

Headlice: This continues to be an ongoing issue; please ensure you check your child's hair for signs of lice regularly and treat as appropriate. Thanks.

Rural School Cross Country

On Tuesday the 22nd we are heading to Beaconsfield to put into practice all the hard work that has been taking place this term. The information below is all very important so please read carefully.

- The children will be travelling by bus, leaving school at 11 am. Parents are welcome to convoy with the bus but there will not be room for parents on the bus. The address is Gordons Valley Road. If you find this road you will see a paddock allocated for car parking. Please do not park on the roadside outside of the paddock.
- While children are at the Cross Country they are to stay on the TCS tarpaulin unless they are racing. Please don't take your children away from this area as it makes it difficult to keep track of them when it comes to their races. Students are to return to the tarpaulin after their race. Please don't take other people's children with you to watch the race from anywhere other than the student area. If you are taking your child home, after they have raced, you must let Wendy Hamilton know so they can be marked off the bus list.
- Students who are in years 5-8 must be wearing the correct TCS sports uniform. Students in Years 1-4 are to wear their school tops and blue shorts. It is very important that students have suitable footwear as they will be running through paddocks. Please ensure that your child is wearing gym shoes and not leather school shoes. Bare feet are not permitted on the course.
- The course can be very muddy so please send your child with spare shoes and a plastic bag to put their dirty shoes in before they go on the bus. It is a good idea to send with them a towel to sit on if you know your child is prone to embracing the full experience and having a slip in the mud as they run.
- Please send your child with a packed lunch, water bottle and a jacket.
- There will be food for sale on the day ranging from \$2-\$5. TCS takes no responsibility for children's money, and it would be preferable if children had a parent with them if they are purchasing food.
- Races will start at 12:15 and are in the following order:

Year 1-2 Girls; Year 1-2 Boys; Year 3-4 Girls; Year 3-4 Boys; Year 5-6 Girls; Year 5-6 Boys; Year 7-8 Girls; Year 7-8 Boys
All the best to the children, they have all worked incredibly hard. It's been so nice to see the children out running around our school course and being proud of achieving the personal running goals they set themselves at the beginning of the term.

Perseverance



Learners





Servant Hearts




Opportunities to serve

Prayer Meetings – one of the best things you can do for our school is to pray for it. A small group meets every Thursday from 9am to about 9:30am at school to pray for our school community. Everyone is welcome.


WANTED: Swimming Volunteers – Thursdays between 11am-noon. We would still really appreciate some more volunteers to help us each week at the pool. As we have quite a big group of younger swimmers, it is really important to have more help with these sessions. Please leave your name with Mrs Clevely at the office or contact Mrs Thompson if you can help.

Talent Extravaganza – The PTA invites you to a Talent Extravaganza fundraiser on 7 July 2018 at Life Church on Morgans Rd. We would love to hear from you if you can contribute an item – if you or someone you know would like to sing, play a musical instrument, dance, perform a choral work, mime, read poetry, etc, please let us know! We are looking for a range of performances, both individual and group, from children and adults. Please email anne@uysfamily.net before 31st May to book a spot in the line-up. Tickets will be \$10 per adult.

Servanthood



Love




Other important things to note:

Open Day: For families who are interested in enrolling their child(ren) at TCS, we are holding an Open Day on Thursday 24th May. At 1:30pm we will meet in the Library to share what it is we do in Years 1-8 at TCS before viewing the school in action. At 7:00pm we will be holding an Open Evening for prospective Year 9 and 10 students in the senior class. If your child is currently attending TCS as a Year 8, please make a point of attending our Open Evening so you have a clear understanding of the Secondary School programme offered at our school.

Procedures Review: This term we are reviewing the following procedures: Homework, Reporting to Parents and the Wider Community, Protected Disclosure, Head lice, Visitors, School Expenses. They are available for viewing on our school website under the 'Important Documents' tab. If you wish to provide feedback on them, please email the office before the end of Week 3.

Frooze Ball Fundraiser – The PTA is selling Frooze Balls, and we would love your support. Please click on the link [Alive Fundraising](#), and order some popular healthy snack alternatives for you and your family. There are also cookbooks available for sale. **COMPETITION:** the student that gets the most sales by the end of May wins a surprise prize for their family.

Grace



Upcoming Events:			
17 th May	BoT Meeting	18 th June	Chapel, 2.30 pm
18 th May	Pasifika Day	20 th June	Jump Jam Extravaganza
21 st May	Chapel, 2.30 pm	21 st June	Swimming for Years 1-5; BoT Meeting
22 nd May	Cross Country, Years 1-8	26-28 June	Year 7-10 Technology Programme
24 th May	Swimming for Years 1-5	2 nd July	Chapel 2.30 pm
	Open Day (1:30pm Yr 1-8)		
	Open Evening (7:00pm Yr 9-10)		
24-25 May	Cross Country postponement day	2-4 July	Year 7-10 Technology Programme
28-29 May	St Johns training at school	5 th July	Reports sent home
31 st May	Swimming for Years 1-5	6 th July	Term 2 ends
31 May-1 Jun	Year 9 and 10 camp (TBC)	7 th July	Talent Extravaganza
4 th June	Queen's Birthday – school closed	23 rd July	Term 3 begins
5 th June	Chapel, 2.30 pm	24 th Sept	South Canterbury Anniversary – school closed
7 th June	Swimming for Years 1-5	28 th Sept	Term 3 ends
11-15 June	Year 9-10 Exam Week	15 th Oct	Term 4 begins
12 th June	South Canterbury Cross Country	22 nd Oct	Labour Day – school closed
14 th June	Swimming for Years 1-5	18 th Dec	Term 4 ends

Community Notices

Centennial Park Footbridge Replacement

The large timber footbridge next to the BMX track at the eastern end of Centennial Park has reached the end of its useful life and is being replaced. It will be closed from Monday 21 May and demolition will commence soon afterwards. The contractor will take about 16 weeks until 7 September to complete a new suspension bridge at the same location. While the project is underway pedestrians and cyclists will use the road bridge and share the road in the vicinity of the two bridges. Please follow directions and signs on site. It is important to take extra care in this vicinity, especially with children and animals. Timaru District Council apologises for any inconvenience.

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