



TERM THREE, WEEK FOUR 2017

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Whanau

I had an interesting conversation with one of our senior classes this week about the importance of memorising verses in Scripture. It's not something that is as widely pushed as it used to be. That may be because we now have concordances and online bibles in which we search for a word or theme and everything is presented to us. I spoke to them about how we work hard to memorise times tables, putting lots of effort into that (and do keep doing that!) but it is God's Word that we need to be able to recall quickly throughout our lives. There will be times, I explained, when we are faced with an issue or a dilemma and God is able to bring to mind what we have learned so we can be reassured or given direction. If you haven't read *The Heavenly Man* (the story of Brother Yun, co-authored by Paul Hattaway), I highly recommend it. The first few chapters show just how powerful reciting Scripture can be.

God bless,
Bethany Rentoul

Congratulations

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

Ruth Ben-Canaan and **Scout Phiskie** for awesome work in writing and self-editing work.

Timothy Lang for super work on reading activities.

Rangi Siaoosi for sharing some great answers during Devotions this week.

Genevieve Laursen and **Tilly Chapman** for great focus, enthusiasm and initiative in our Social Sciences learning.

Congratulations to **Charlie Crooks** and **Hikaru Middlemass** who won awards for this year's Artarama.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Starting School Age

Thank you to everyone who gave us feedback about cohort entry for pre-schoolers beginning school at TCS. The Board of Trustees has decided to adopt the Cohort Entry Policy from the start of 2018. It is worded as follows:

- Students will start school at the start of the term following their fifth birthday.
 - Parents can delay their child's start until the beginning of a later term up until the age of six or on the child's sixth birthday.
- If you have any questions about what this means for your child, please feel free to ask.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PTA Meetings

These are the dates for PTA meetings for the remainder of the year, to be held at 7.30 pm in the staffroom. All welcome!

Thursday 28th September

Thursday 26th October

Thursday 30th November

Scholastic Book Club Orders

Please return all orders and money to the office by Friday 1st September.

Wednesday Lunches

As a Missions Trip Fundraiser for the team going to Tonga next year, soup and a bun (\$2.00) or noodles (\$1.50) will be sold on Wednesday lunch times this term. Place your order outside the office on Wednesdays before 9 am.

Prayer Meeting

We have a weekly prayer meeting on Thursday at 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. All are welcome to attend, including pre-schoolers.

Rural Schools Netball Draw

Saturday 19th August 2017

10 am Court 3 Pleasant Point Steel v Rural Reds (Hayley Richardt) Year 7/8

10 am Court 4 Geraldine White v Rural Mystics (Debbie Waldron) Year 7/8

11 am Court 6 Waimataitai Pulse v Rural Rebels (Ange/Helen) Year 7/8

11 am Court 8 Gleniti Tactix v Rural Magic (Andrea Bruning) Year 6

11 am Court 13 Grantlea Diamonds v Rural Superstars (Gemma Holden) Year 5

Enjoy your games girls. ☺

Thank you to all the coaches, managers and supporters of our Rural Schools Teams. We have had an amazing season. A prize giving will be held after the games at the Basketball Stadium at 12pm. Could all girls please attend the prize giving. Many thanks.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

17 Aug	Chapel, 2.20 pm
22 Aug	Artarama Visit for Years 1-2
23 Aug	Artarama Visit for Years 3-4
24 Aug	Chapel, 2.20 pm
31 Aug	Chapel, 2.20 pm
7 Sep	Chapel, 2.20 pm



8 Sep	Parent Milo Session
11-22 Sep	Year 7-10 Technology Program
14 Sep	Chapel, 2.20 pm
19 Sep	Fossil Hunt
21 Sep	Chapel, 2.20 pm
21 Sep	BoT Meeting
25 Sep	S/Cant Anniversary (school closed)
26-27 Sep	Learning Conferences
28 Sep	Chapel, 2.20 pm
28 Sep	PTA Meeting, 7.30 pm
29 Sep	Last Day of Term 3
16 Oct	Term 4 begins
18-20 Oct	School Camp
23 Oct	Labour Day (school closed)
24 Oct	School Photos
26 Oct	PTA Meeting, 7.30 pm
30 Nov	PTA Meeting, 7.30 pm

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Hope Walk Timaru

10th September 2017, starting at 10.00 am

Entry Fee: Gold coin donation

(proceeds going to National Suicide Helpline)

HOPEWALK is a community event to mark National Suicide Day, by coming together for a Public Walk of Hope and Memory. The walk is approx. a 3.2km walk starting at Church Street entrance of Centennial Park and ending on the grass area in front of the Sound Shell on Caroline Bay. If you can, please show your support by wearing a Yellow shirt. Bring a candle for remembrance of loved ones lost.

Coffee available, Free sausage sizzle

Cancellation details will be via Port FM by 9.30 on the day.

Eat Well

Fruit and Vege co-op

- Fresh, seasonal produce
- reusable bags
- easy recipes and tips
- committed to our community

Place your order Thursdays by 8 pm by text, phone or Facebook message.

Pick up Tuesdays 3-4 pm from Trinity Church Hall, 22 College Road or St Stephens Church, 349 Wai-iti Road. Eat Well Timaru, 022 123 3663

ASTN Chair Position Available

ASTN (Aoraki School Transport Network) Chair, Job Description

This would suit someone whose children travel to school by bus/or who have an interest in school transport.

1. Chair all ASTN meetings (usually only 4 a year).
2. Liaise with ASTN secretary and Co-ordinator to

set and approve meeting agendas.

3. Pass on correspondence to ASTN members.

4. Liaise with the ASTN Co-ordinator to give advice, support and approve actions.

5. Approve invoice payments relating to ASTN business.

6. Maintain up to date paper work/ filing of documents in ASTN Board Manual.

7. Negotiate contracts on behalf of the ASTN board subject to their advice, approval and support.

8. Liaise and communicate with outside agencies (lawyers, MOE, etc) to provide advice to the ASTN.

A monthly payment comes with this role

If you are interested in the position please email your details to Lyn George at george.lyn@gmail.com.

'Give it a Go' Fridays

YMCA South & Mid Canterbury is excited to announce a FREE after school sports programme for youngpeople in years 7-13 on Fridays, 3:30-5:00pm at Mountainview High School Gym.

This will be a fantastic opportunity to try a sport in a fun, relaxed atmosphere, or to just simply take part in a sport in a non-competitive environment.

The sport will vary from month to month (starting with Archery), so there will be plenty of variety and plenty of opportunity to give sport a go.

We'd love to see your son or daughter there!



Gala Day

Gleniti Playcentre

Saturday 16th September 2017

9am to 12noon

355 Wai-iti Rd (behind St Stephen's Church)

Kids' toys and clothing,

Bric-a-Brac and Baking.

Heaps of Fun Activities

for Kids including

Treasure Hunt,

Bouncy Castle and Face

Painting.

Raising funds for recladding the exterior of our centre.