



Hillview Team WIN Get to Go Challenge!!

Now in its fifth year the Get2Go Challenge is like the Amazing Race, Treasure Island and Survivor, mixed together with adventure sports including: rock climbing, orienteering, kayaking and mountain biking. There are 12 regional events around the country. These take the form of one day challenges that are held in Term 2 and 3 each year.

In the regional one day events teams need to navigate between four 60minute long challenges and attempt each in the allotted time. To maximise their score in each task teams are required to work together, using important team skills such as communication, problem solving, planning and decision making.

The team in each region with the top score will be invited to participate in the 5-day Grand Final, held at Great Barrier Island from 6-10 Dec 2010.

Special thanks go to Jenni Blyleven for all her hard work and for being the driving force behind our pupils participating in this event. Also thank you to Cameron Steele (a past Hillview pupil) and Simon James for coaching these teams.



Hillview A Team –awarded **first place!!**

Left to right: Levi Hibbert, Aaron Blyleven, Sharnee Davies, Sam Rees, Caitlin Roberts, Kelly McMillan, Lydia Johnson and James Roberts. (Coaches standing at rear: Simon James and Cameron Steele)



Hillview B Team –awarded 12th place.

Left to right: Katie Harris, Rebekah Roberts, Hannah Turner, Judah Yappa, Jamin Dodge, Nicholas Watson, Evie Dieudonne and Shaun Tabak. (Coaches standing at rear: Simon James and Cameron Steele)

Whanau: through unity is strength

Psalm 133:1: *How good and pleasant it is when brothers (and sisters) live together in unity!*

Kia Ora Parents.

I am busy writing this newsletter as several groups of children pass by my office. Many of them are chatting to each other in a pleasant manner – probably about the latest maths problem to solve or how they can improve their written language! Included in this is some laughing, some smiling while keeping within the teacher's expectations. One of the joys of my position is experiencing the large number of pupils that stop to smile, to wave or greet me in a confident, warm and friendly manner – this is one of the special characteristics we enjoy at Hillview.

For this week's newsletter, I would like to keep you up to date with a four points:

- 1) **Southern Lakes Christian School:** We have been praying regularly for this Queenstown District based Christian school to be integrated. Last week we received the wonderful news that the ministry has granted integration which will greatly help the school financially and educationally. The new name will most likely be Kingsview Christian School and the process of appointing a new B.O.T. and principal has begun. Hillview has intentionally supported this school over the last two-three years by sending key personnel to help lay the foundation for integration. *Please keep praying for Tim Kuipers and the Ashburton Christian School staff as they continue to await the decision on their application to be integrated.*
- 2) **Hillview Talents Project:** This has made a wonderful start and I am thrilled with the progress to date. Many thanks to the HSA group for motivating and inspiring us all. Please check out our Hillview web page as there are wonderful ideas and updates on how we can all be involved. We have applied to one/two community grants for extra funding and will await with expectation for their decision. From the Talents Project night we have formed a gymnasium/centre team that will represent the different sectors of our school "whanau" and help drive the project forward. The team is: Aaron Donaldson, Dave Donaldson, Trevor Grenon, Alan Harrison, Dave Mitchell, Blase Dowall, Andrew Harrison, Andy Ayers, Kirstie Copeland and Steve Frost. Ideas for the talents go to the HSA, ideas for the gym/community centre go to any member of this team.
- 3) **Farewell Mrs Bell:** Mrs Bell will be leaving us at the end of this week in preparation for the birth of her very first child. We are thrilled for both Susie and Will and wish them God's richest blessings as they enter into the wonderful phase of parenting! We warmly welcome Mrs Amy Hayward who will be the

teacher in charge Room 13 for the remainder of the year.

- 4) **Get to Go Challenge Team:** The Get to Go Challenge is the Y9/10 version of the prestigious OPC event(Y11-13). The event requires a team(4 girls, 4 boys) to tackle four different disciplines; orienteering, rock climbing, kayaking and mountain biking. We entered two teams into the Canterbury Regionals this year. Both teams performed extremely well and were "wonderful ambassadors for our school." (comment from a parent). One of our teams achieved outstandingly well and was placed first. The team had to 'head off' very competitive challenges from schools such as Middleton Grange, Greymouth High, Christchurch Boys/Girls High and Lincoln High. The team was thoroughly prepared and supported by ex Hillview pupils and our own parent, Jenni Blyleven. They are currently training and raising finances to attend the national finals at Great Barrier Island in December.

Finally.....a small anecdote. A parent shared with me this week how inspired she was when her particular child recently competed in the "storytelling/poetry" school finals and unfortunately made a mistake, which upset her greatly. After the child had sat down, several children made an effort to sit closer to her to give her comfort and encouragement. Following the finals, the same child received words of affirmation from older children. This experience is what "whanau" is all about and I am delighted that we can be part of it.

Blessings to all

Steve Frost (Principal)



DATES TO REMEMBER

- 1.1 **Tuesday 31 August** – Storytelling and Talent Evening at SCCC 7.00pm
- 1.2 **Thursday 2 September** – Cultural Festival Performance at the Town Hall (6.45-9.15pm)
- 1.3 **Friday 3 September** – PrEP Market Day
- 1.4 **Tuesday 7 – Friday 10 September** – Year 8 Camp at Woodend Christian Camp
- 1.5 **Thursday 9 September** – Canterbury Primary Winter Tournament at 12.30pm
- 1.6 **Wednesday 15 – Friday 17 September** – Year 6 Camp at Living Springs
- 1.7 **Thursday 16 September** – Postponement day for Canterbury Primary Winter Tournament at 12.30pm
- 1.8 **Friday 17 September** – Year 9 Cycle Trip to Bottle Lake
- 1.9 **Saturday 18 September** – Hillview Netball Club Prize Giving (4.00-6.00pm)
- 1.10 **Friday 24 September** – Whole school assembly 1.40-2.50pm
- 1.11 **Friday 24 September** – Final day of term
- 1.12 **Monday 11 October** – First day of term 4

NOTICEBOARD

2.1 Speech and Talent Quest Evening - Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to participate in the Storytelling and Talent Quest Evening next Tuesday at South City Christian Centre starting at 7.00pm:

Special Items – Mrs Becker's Yr 5/6 Choir

Talent Quest – Esta Downing, Caitlin Steele & Maddison Rochford, Shaun Tabak, Savannah Wilson, Ella Wallace, Jonathon Garratt, Setu & Wairepo Te Hae, Jhawan Raika and Lilly Downing & Courtney Casserly

Years 0-2 Ruth White Poetry Cup Recitals – Caspian Buxton, Ben McQuinn, Thomas Harrison, Maddie Morrow, Sam Meecham, Jessica Frost, Danika Rossouw, Alisha Winder, Georgia Nicoll, Oliver Stacey, Maia Te Hae and Rachael Brass

Years 3-4 Syndicate Speeches – Caleb Mattson, Natalie Amersfoort and Frankie Morrow

Years 5-6 Syndicate – Georgia Sandes, Courtney Casserly and Dominic van Uden

Years 7-8 Syndicate – Charlotte Keir, Caitlin Steele and Luther Rossouw

Years 9-10 Syndicate – Jackson Hagen, Ella Wallace and Jessie Becker

This will be an entertaining night of talent so come and hear our students glorify God with their gifts.

2.2 Cultural Festival Tickets – Tickets have been attached to your newsletter for those that ordered these through the school.

2.3 Sound of Music DVD's – These have now arrived and are available for purchase from the school office for \$15.00 (a double disk).

2.4 Winter Sports Y5-8 – We have come to the end of a disrupted winter sports season. However as spring draws closer, I'm sure we are in for more settled weather to help us enjoy the great outdoors. A huge thank you to all the parents, teachers, office staff and students who have helped coach, transport, supervise and communicate information to our many sports teams. Without your help, support and encouragement none of this would be possible. Students who have sports uniforms, other than the Hillview Netball Club, please return these **washed** to your classroom teacher by Friday 3 September.

2.5 Summer Uniforms – With the changeover to summer uniform coming soon, we are looking for second-hand uniforms - particularly girl's summer dresses (New Entrant size). So please check your summer uniforms and if you have any to donate or have sold on behalf, please bring them to the office. All proceeds go towards the gym.

2.6 Uniform Order Form – Attached to this week's newsletter is an order form for monogrammed summer uniforms including a hat. Please check what you need and fill out the form.

2.7 Scholastic Books – The latest brochures have just arrived! You can collect these from the office. Orders will close Friday 3 September.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

3.1 'Beyond the Camera' – A beginners course for 10-13 year olds in making a film in one day! Sunday 19 September. Contact Franc on 021666921 to book your place.

3.2 For Rent - Halswell-Wigram (Broken Run) 5 years old house. 2 Double B/rm, 2 living rooms (option for 3rd Master Bedroom), Heat Pump, Double Glazed, Modern kitchen, double garage. Good outdoor living area, fully fenced, Sunny. Rent at \$350 ono. Long term preferred. Available mid Sept 2010. Contact Phil or Lek 322 1078.

3.3 Watoto Children's Choir – 5pm & 7pm this Sunday, 29 August at Spreydon Baptist Church, Corner of Cobham & Lyttelton Street.

3.4 Quiz Night Fundraiser – Saturday 4 September, 6.30pm, at Grace Vineyard. Tickets \$10.00pp, available from Dallas - Ph. 0272467361. We are fundraising as he has been chosen to represent NZ as a youth delegate at the United Nations Millennium Development Goal Summit in New York.

HOME & SCHOOL/BOARD NEWS

4.1 Email Addresses – The School currently holds most of our families email addresses on file and the HSA would like access to these so they can send out information in regards to the Talents Fundraiser **only**. If you **do not** want the HSA having access to your email address, please advise the office by **Tuesday 24 August**. If we don't currently have your email address and you would like us to have this on file, please also notify the office.

4.2 Term 3 Holiday Programme – 'Unique for Girls'

A day of activities planned to assist young girls in discovering their inner treasure and the truth about unique design and talents.

Dates: **Y4-6 Thursday 7th Oct & Y7-8 Friday 8th Oct.**

Time: 9.00am – 3.00pm

Venue: Hillview

Price: \$15.00 per child

This will be an action packed day filled with great activities and discovery. Due to a number restriction there are only 30 positions available for each day.

Registration forms available on Wednesday 1st Sept from the school office.

4.3 TRADEME - HILLVIEWGYM is our seller name. Search members and type in this name and you will find all our listings. Lots of bargains and new items being listed regularly. Get your neighbours, friends and families involved as pickup is really easy and you are guaranteed to get quality goods from a trustworthy seller. We are in need of more items to list – clean out your cupboards and help make money for our gym. Drop goods into the school office.

CHRISTIAN LIVING

How can we inspire and encourage someone today?

PRAYER REQUESTS

Give thanks for:-

- the presence of the Holy Spirit at our school
- the amazing talents of our pupils
- Southern Lakes District School's integration

Please pray for:-

- wisdom and providence as we raise finance for our new gym/community centre
- the students preparing for the Storytelling and Talent Quest Evening
- Wisdom in working through 2011 enrolments and teacher applicants.
- For Ashburton Christian School's application for integration.

Join us for prayer tomorrow morning from 8.20am in the small theatre next to the library.

