



NEWSLETTER



Our Vision: To grow young people who love God and impact others through service and leadership.

Our Mission: To provide a quality education in a Christian environment where children can develop their God-given abilities.

What an incredible evening of entertainment and talent at our recent Speech and Talent Evening. Well done to all the pupils who participated. Congratulations to the following pupils on winning their respective cups :

- Years 0-2 Ruth White Poetry Cup – Max McArthur-Pattinson
- Years 3-4 Storytelling Winner – Molly Morrow
- Years 5-6 Storytelling Winner – Amillia Rees
- Years 7-8 Storytelling Winner – Claudia Boot
- Years 9-10 Storytelling Winner – Rongopai Tickell
- Junior Talent Quest Winner – Lachlan Platt
- Senior Talent Quest Winner – Callum McKie



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Ephesians 6:7 – “**Serve wholeheartedly**, as if you were serving the LORD, not men, because you know that the LORD will reward anyone for whatever good he does, whether he is slave or free.”

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Principal's Ponderings...



Kia ora parents,

“It was a most entertaining evening,” “I cannot believe the confidence of the children – especially at such a young age,” “We have some powerful speakers for the future,” “That was one of the best speech and talent quest evenings I have attended – the pupils were brilliant!” These are just some of the statements which parents have used to describe the Speech and Talent Quest Contest held at South City C3 last Thursday night. I continue to marvel at God’s creativity and design when exposed to such a vast array of gifts and talents. I was most impressed that each child was giving their very best and even if some lines were missed, notes not reached, or there were technical issues with the sound, the children pressed on and finished well.

I must express my gratitude to you as parents for training your children so well. This is not an exclusive comment for the parents of the finalists but for parents of all pupils. I was privileged to sit in on a number of presentations and I believe we could have had many more children on stage performing at such a high level. I would also like to acknowledge the staff who gave more of their time to give words of encouragement and advice when pupils were preparing – not just for the speeches but also for the talent quest. Several times I have been aware of teachers’ shoulder-tapping pupils and encouraging them to use their gifts and be involved.

I believe this school-wide unit is very important to our culture. Here are three reasons that come to mind:

- **It provides an opportunity for more gifts and talents to be exposed.** Children that may not be so strong in the core academic subjects may easily flourish on stage. However, the blessing in not just reserved for our school community but to people outside it. Our top Year 7-10 speakers will be able to present their speeches at our local inter-school competitions. Recently our school leaders visited Timaru Cristian School as part of their leadership development. Four of them were able to share their talent quest items to the Y0-8 children who were greatly inspired by what they saw.
- **It helps develop and equip our pupils with an important skill in life – being able to speak clearly and confidently in front of others.** I have watched children journey through our school and have marvelled at the way their confidence has grown over time. All children will experience circumstances which will require them to speak up such as wedding receptions, 21st birthdays, career interviews, or at a particular church event.
- **It is a prime opportunity to develop a Godly character.** Speaking and performing is not always easy. It requires dedication, perseverance, courage, and humility. These are invaluable virtues to grow and nurture within our children. I have seen pupils upset, tired, fearful, and frustrated. But for those that have drawn their strength from God and risen to face their “giant”, they have experienced the delight of success and achievement. More importantly, I

notice they develop a resolve to trust and depend on God more.

It seems to me that it doesn’t really matter whether a pupil makes the finals or not. As long as they are giving their best and their heart is in the right place, God will take care of the rest. Just recently I read a newspaper article of an ex-pupil who to my knowledge did not win a speech trophy at Hillview. However, due to being given opportunities to develop his speaking skills at school, he is now blessing our nation by communicating truth and life into the lives of many of our young people and one day may head into parliament.

Many Blessings

Steve Frost

Principal

Tips for Learning



Year 0-2 Tips for Sports

(by Paul Norton)

Tip One: Many of us think we may have a future champion in our midst and we think that we have to get them on the sports field and into a sport right away as soon as they are out of their nappies or they will never reach the top. Quite the opposite is the truth, with a few exceptions. Giving your child a wide variety of sporting, outdoor and physical opportunities is the key but that doesn’t have to be in an organised sport at this age.

For Year 0-2 children (as of all ages) it is about having **FUN** and about trying **NEW** things and giving all opportunities a go - within reason. Children at this age are naturally fit as they run around at play time, do Jump Jam, chase each-other etc., so they don’t need too much aerobic fitness, so please don’t force them.

What they do need is **support** and **encouragement** to always do their best and try their hardest and also to support others. School events like the triathlon and cross country can be daunting, so it is always good to go over the course with them and talk about what to do and of course to cheer them on and give them a big hug when they have finished - whether it is at the front or back of the field. If they can’t do the full distance, start with little chunks and gradually increase the time/distance.

A fit and healthy child needs sleep, good food, and lots of love.

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations

Lauren Copeland was awarded the 2015 Junior Ballet Scholarship at the NZ Dance Awards; the overall winner for Junior Ballet.

The award for the NZ Ballet Championship was for one of the three dance categories she participated in.



Assemblies next week

Y0-4: Friday 2.20pm – 3.00pm – Junior Staffroom

Y3-6: Wednesday 2.15pm – 3.00pm – Junior Staffroom

Y7-10: Wednesday 1.30pm – 2.15pm – Bowling Club

Dates to Remember

1.1 Friday 5 June – Year 0-2 Cultural Day

1.2 Wednesday 10 June – Year 5-8 Primary Sports Canterbury Cross Country 10.00am-12:30pm at Halswell Quarry

- 1.3 **Friday 12 June** – Middleton Grange Year 11, 2016 Applications close
- 1.4 **Tuesday 16 June** – ICAS Writing Exam
- 1.5 **Tuesday 16 June** – Orientation Afternoon starting at 1:30pm for remainder of 2015 New Entrants
- 1.6 **Wednesday 17 June** – Year 6 South Zone Ripa Rugby, 12.30-2.00pm
- 1.7 **Monday 22 June** – Year 7 trip to Orton Bradley
- 1.8 **Wednesday 1 July** – Year 1-4 Cross Country Challenge
- 1.9 **Thursday 2 July** – Whole School Assembly 1.40-2.50pm
- 1.10 **Thursday 2 July** – Last Day of Term 2
- 1.11 **Friday 3 July** – Teacher Only Day
- 1.12 **Monday 20 July** – First Day of Term 3

Noticeboard



2.1 Sibling New Entrants 2016 – Do you have a younger child due to start here at Hillview during 2016? If your child's name is not listed below but they are due to start school sometime during 2016 please come and get an application form from the office. This really helps us with our planning for next year. **Please note: closing date for NE applications is 28 August 2015.** If you have any questions please contact Claire at the office. Applications for siblings we have received so far are for: *Jessica Allison, Lucy Burgess, Micah Davis, Ruby Dowall, Chidima Emadi, Theo Kelleher, Isabella McEwing, Lily McKenzie, Holly O'Brien, Noah Rebelo-Daniels, Mary Trengrove, Matai Waddell, Lucy Frew, and Benjamin Wilkinson.*



2.2 Orientation afternoon – We will be running this for new entrants starting at Hillview in Term 3 & 4 of 2015. For the following children starting in Room 8 with Mrs Harland their Orientation will be on Tuesday 16 June: *Violet Gilling, Roman Kako, Kaniasha Sopo, Anja Walters, William Weavers, Fynn Burrige, Chalise Weir, Evie Dewar, Eliza Beck, Makairi Cleghorn, Toby Englefield, Esther De Groot, Lydia Beardesley, Jahvarn Pulemau, Alesana Israel, Dior Tamati, Emily Baker, and Ritsuki Kawai.* An email with more details was sent on Monday 25 May, if you have not received this please contact Claire Onslow c.onslow@hillview.school.nz

2.3 Year 1-4 Cross Country Challenge – As there is no Christian Schools' cross country this year, Hillview is hosting a Year 1-4 Cross Country Challenge for the local schools and Christian Schools. The top six runners from our Term One Cross country races will compete on Wednesday 1 July on the Senior Campus. Those in the team will receive a notice. For more information, please contact Paul Norton: p.norton@hillview.school.nz

2.4 Year 1-4 Futsal (modified Football) Lessons – On Tuesday all of the Junior Campus had their first Futsal lessons with Sam from Mainland Futsal. For the next four Tuesdays of the term they will have further lessons. Can children please wear PE gear every Tuesday as well as their usual PE day. Thanks.



2.5 Primary Sports Canterbury Cross Country – On Wednesday 10 June our ten runners will be competing at Halswell Quarry. We will travel there and back by school van leaving school at 9.00am and returning by 12.30pm.

2.6 Car Parking – The school has received more complaints from neighbours about school parents parking over their driveways. Please don't park



or wait in your car in such a way as to obstruct access to the neighbours (they also have children to collect from other schools.) One neighbour was so irate that he said he would "take matters into his own hands." Neighbours have been asked to take car registration details so we can follow up on inconsiderate drivers. Please park just a bit further away and avoid this problem. Thank you.

2.7 Application for Year 11 enrolment at Middleton Grange 2016 – All "Preference Families" have a clear pathway of entry into Middleton but you must still fill out an application form and hand it in to Student Services at Middleton Grange. **The closing date for applications is Friday 12 June.**

2.8 Absentee Communication – A reminder to all parents to please contact the office by 9.00am if your child will be away from school or late. In the instance of them being at an appointment please leave a message stating when they will leave school and when they will be returning. If these details change, please notify the office. It is extremely important that we are aware of the location of all our pupils at all times.

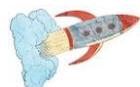
HSA and BOT News

3.1 Calling all Funky Pumpkin customers – If you shop at Funky Pumpkin on Colombo Street please keep your receipts and give them to the HSA. Funky Pumpkin will give the school a % of the amount purchased (excluding Westmeat). Please bring them to the office and place them in the HSA.

3.2 Entertainment Books – These have arrived; please collect your ordered copy from the office.

Community Notices

4.1 Unlimited Kids Conference "Take Off" – For all children Years 3-8. 13-15 July, 9.30am-3.00pm at Riccarton Baptist Church. Registrations and more information online at unlimited.org.nz



4.2 Relief work – Fingerprints Christian Preschool is looking for a qualified registered teacher (preferably Early Childhood trained but could have a Primary qualification) for relief teaching to cover sick, annual and other leave requirements. Applicants must be able to work between 8.30am-3.30pm at short notice. Please send CV's to info@fingerprints.school.nz or call Camdon or Juliet on 3322001.

Verses to Learn Term 2

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

I Timothy 4:12

Prayer Requests



Give thanks for:-

- the progress of the gym
- passionate teachers and supportive parents
- Christian education being available in New Zealand
- the recent Speech and Talent Quest Contest

Please pray for:-

- the protection and strengthening of our marriages
- the smooth completion of our school gym
- the growth of Rolleston Christian School

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

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