



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.

Rugby and Soccer Stars



Congratulations to our Year 7/8 Rugby team (pictured above) who came runner up in the Primary Sports Canterbury Tournament and to our Y7/8 Football team (left) who came third. Well done to all our other teams that competed so well.

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Compassion – We put others first

"Don't do anything from selfish ambition or from a cheap desire to boast, but be humble towards one another, always considering others better than yourselves. And look out for one another's interests, not just for your own. The attitude you should have is the one that Christ Jesus had." Philipians 2:3-4 (GNB)

7 September 2017

Kia ora Parents.

I would like to share two grandma stories.

Our class has a class grandma. June Hyde is an elderly lady who has been coming into Room 11 for the last four years or so. June visits between morning tea and lunch every Friday and talks to the children and reads with them. She loves spending time with them, and they love spending time with her.

About a month back my husband got a call from June before I arrived home from school. June explained that she had suffered a small stroke, had had to spend a night in hospital, and wouldn't be able to visit our class for the next week or two. I conveyed this news to the children the following day and they were visibly moved.

Spontaneously they suggested that we make cards for her. I told them we could do this in place of the fun activity we do on Fridays, and they enthusiastically agreed. Later that morning I could have heard a pin drop as they wrote messages to Mrs Hyde and decorated their cards with serious determination. They wanted to do their very best to cheer her up. When I dropped those cards around to June the following day it was her turn to be visibly moved. She read every word they had written, poured over every illustration, and then put those cards in pride of place in her small unit. This was compassion in action. The children had heard about her need, and then had done something to help alleviate her suffering.

The second story also involves compassion and a grandma. Last week I had tell my class that, sadly, one of the girls in our class had lost her grandma. We talked together about what we would do for her when she came back to school. We discussed how she would probably be feeling and what could be helpful for her. On Tuesday morning a small delegation rushed in to tell me that the bereaved girl was back. A group escorted her into the room, gathered around her desk, and produced various things they had brought for her. There were a number of delightfully written sympathy cards – definitely straight from the hearts of children, and some small gifts. Some children had gone through their personal treasures and chosen some to give away as an expression of their love and concern.

Compassion, as quoted above, is 'looking out for another's interest, not just your own'. What a privilege to see six and seven-year-old children respond in compassion to the needs they see around them. What a privilege to teach in a school where this value can be tied right back to the example of Jesus. What a privilege to be working with parents who are modelling and encouraging this behaviour in their children.

Ngā mihi nui and many blessings to you all.

Andy Vosslamber (Head of Professional Development)

Give thanks for:

- God being so faithful to our school community over the years
- New families who are keen and eager to enrol their child at this school
- Our wonderful office staff who work with such dedication and commitment

Please pray for:

- Our Junior School Pupils (Y0-2) to continue to live out our school values in practical ways
- Doors to be open to purchase strategic land in order to further the vision of the school

PRAY WITH US

Every Tuesday,
2.40-3.00pm
in the AV Room.
All welcome!

Verses to Learn Term 3

What a privilege to see six and seven-year-old children respond in compassion to the needs they see around them.

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. ¹¹Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. ¹²Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful

in prayer. ¹³Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practise hospitality. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. ¹⁸If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

Romans 12:9-18

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to the record number of Hillview children who have been selected for this year's Gators teams that are competing in the Canterbury All Stars Basketball Tournament. Just over 50% of those selected for the Gators teams are from Hillview. Year 7/8 Girls: **Danika Rossouw, Milly Harrison, Danaleigh Cooper, Kavanah Lene** and **Neema Stevenson**. Reserve: **Marita Stocks**.

Year 7/8 Boys: **Tom Harrison, Charlie Hickey, Jamie Ehu, Rory Skinner, Tane Haremate** and **Danny Alexandru**. Reserve: **Neo Caughtry**.

Year 5/6 Boys: **Henry Copeland, PJ Palamo, Noah Skinner, Evann Te Hae, Maika Haremata** and **Elliott Graves**.

Year 5/6 Girls: **Tessa Davis, Perez Lene, Antonia Tinga** and **Grace Tipple**.

Congratulations to **Emma** and **Renee Ford** who completed in the South Island Gymnastics Champions. Renee gained 4th overall for Step 6 and Emma 6th for Step 3, 1st team, 2nd for bar and 3rd on floor.

Tips for Learning

Tips for Discipling Teens

By Hannah Ploegstra, founder of learnChrist

Tip 2: Be willing to step out of the rat race

John the Baptist lived a lifestyle that was slightly out of sync with the culture, yet that made him easy to find, and reliable ([Matt 3:4-5](#)). Nothing gets more in the way of discipling teens than the subtle but powerful undercurrents of the adult mainstream. We're supposed to be making money, busy-busy-busy, keeping the house camera-



ready, and spending lots of quality time swapping photos with our friends on the latest devices. But all excuses aside, these activities don't make us more 'relevant' to teens: they simply distract us from them. And unlike toddlers, teens have enough dignity to not bother with adults who clearly have better things to do. They're not going to expose the inner struggles of their souls to someone who can't even make eye contact. Teens need adults in their lives who aren't enslaved to the overconsumption of media and the neck-breaking pace of life. They need adults who stop to really listen to them, who are willing to cancel things and take the time to help sort out the spontaneous emotional and relational emergencies that come up in the lives of teens almost every day. Discipling teens requires constant availability, willing flexibility, and happily undivided attention. Tons of it.



Assemblies Next Week

Year 7-10 Wednesday 13 September 1.30 -2.15pm in the gymnasium.

Year 3-6 Wednesday 13 September 2.20pm in the gymnasium

Year 0-2 Friday 15 September, 2.20pm in the Junior Staffroom

[This week's flag is Cook Islands. Next week's flag will be Fiji]

Upcoming



- 1.1 **Friday 15 September** – PrEP Market Day
- 1.2 **Monday 18 September** – Concert Band end of term concert
- 1.3 **Monday 18 September** – Get2Go Challenge
- 1.4 **Tuesday 19 – Thursday 21 September** – Y7/8 Koru Games
- 1.5 **Wednesday 20- Friday 22 September** – Y6 Camp
- 1.6 **Friday 22 September** – Tuhono 2 Kapa Haka Festival
- 1.7 **Wednesday 27 September** – Y0-4 Puppet Show
- 1.8 **Thursday 28 September** – Whole School Walkathon
- 1.9 **Friday 29 September** – Whole School Assembly 1.40pm
- 1.10 **Friday 29 September** – Last day of Term 3

Around Our School

2.1 Pie Day Fridays -3 weeks left! The Year 8's will be running 'Pie Day Fridays' every Friday during Term 3. They are fundraising to help subsidise a portion of their Year 8 camp fees. **Orders and payment will be taken on Wednesday mornings outside the library (Junior Campus) and outside the Staffroom (Senior Campus) between 8:15 and 8:40 am.** If you would like your child to have a nice warm pie on a cold winter's day, then please send your child with \$2.50 on a Wednesday. Thanks for your support!



2.2 Year 0-8 SMART Touch - Term 4 on Thursdays after school at Waltham Park. Any children are welcome to take part. Cost is \$30 for 9 weeks. Details and sign up information is on the Sports Blog. This is a mixed competition.



see www.hillview sport.wordpress.com or contact Mr Norton: p.norton@hillview.school.nz **Registrations close 12 September.**

2.3 Tuhono Kapa Haka Festival- Friday 22 September at Hillview Christian School Gymnasium, This will involve the Year 5-10 pupils who have chosen kapa haka as an option. (If your child is unable to attend please contact their teacher asap.) Year 5/6s: 4pm-5pm, Year 7/8s: 6pm-7pm and Senior (Years 7-10): 8pm-9pm. Tickets available at Hillview Office, \$6 adults, \$2 children (5-17 years) Information on costumes and meeting times for performers will be sent home closer to the time.



2.4 Band Concert The Hillview school community is warmly invited to attend our end of term band programme concert on **Tuesday 26th September.** It will be held in the school gym at 4:00pm. This is a great

opportunity to see the concert and jazz bands perform.

2.5 The Henderson Family are part of our school community and are a family whose health requirements mean they need and appreciate our help. You may be aware that we have a "Give-a-Little" programme set up. Of the funds donated over the last two years (\$7305) almost all has been used up. We are asking if you would consider donating to this fund, which provides a small weekly food voucher for the family. Please follow this link: <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/hendersons> Rachel suffers from Huntington's disease which is a terminal, degenerative brain disease with no current cure, and Mike has health concerns of his own (Crohns Colitis) which make everyday life a struggle which few of us can comprehend. The family are extremely grateful for the donations received so far through this 'Givealittle page'. Please continue to pray for the family - pray for the strength and courage to face this ongoing struggle, and for God's comfort and peace for Mike, Rachel, Ethan and Emma- Jane.

2.6 School Drop Off and Pick Up Zone helpers needed. Would you like to help manage the flow of cars at the school drop off/pick up zone in front of the gym? We would like to start a roster of parents to help out at this busy place from 8.25 - 8.45am or 3.00 - 3.20pm. Your job would be to ensure cars don't park or delay in the zone, and the flow through is orderly. If you are keen to help please email David Mitchell d.mitchell@hillview.school.nz Thank you.



2.7 Scholastic Book Club. New brochures are available in the office. Orders close on 22 September.

PrEP Market Day 2017

15th September, 2017 at Hillview Christian School from 11-2pm The day will be filled with delicious foods, cool crafts, exhilarating games, and much, much, more. So come along with all your pocket money and splurge on this exciting, fun filled day at 150 Wilsons Rd, St Martins For more information check out our website:

<https://prep2017.wixsite.com/prepmarket2017>

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Put your **SOUL** into it!

The Great Walkathon
Thursday
28th September,
9am –
12.30pm.

In Our Community

- 3.1 **Scripture Union Camps** now open for registration <http://www.sunz.org.nz/youth/sucamps/sucamps-spring-2017/>
- 3.2 **Living Springs October Holiday Camp** 9-13 Oct. 8-12 year olds. www.livingsprings.co.nz
- 3.4 **Science Fact and Faith** – 13 September 7pm at Hillview Gymnasium. John McKay is a world renowned, international speaker and debater with an incredibly broad and extensive scientific knowledge base. His global ministry educates and demonstrates that pure Science is in alignment with the Biblical account of Creation. This is a free event, and an offering will be taken.

Hillview Uniform Shop Announcements

The uniform shop is open Mondays 8.30am- 3.30pm or by appointment. Contact Emma on uniform@hillview.school.nz or place your order online at http://www.hillview.school.nz/?post_type=product .

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