



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.



SAFARI ADVENTURE

The Alpha Team having a great day at Orana Park as part of their topic unit "Animals"



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Innovation – We always look to improve ourselves.
"In the beginning God created/designed...." Genesis 1:1

30 November 2017

Kia ora Parents.

This week I would like to bring to your attention a number of points:

Principal's Ponderings

TEACHER ONLY DAYS 2018: The following dates have been set aside as Teacher Only Days in 2018:

- Monday 5th February
- Monday 12th March

PARENT SURVEY: Thank you to those who participated in the parent survey for our school: there were 78 families out of approximately 320 families. This is our highest participation to date. We will work through your feedback looking to initiate and effect change in areas that are needed. **Please be re-assured that every comment will be read and responded to in an open manner while seeking wisdom for what is going to be the best for the school.** We will analyse this as a

staff. Please feel free to email me at any time if you think there are general concerns not being addressed (principal@hillview.school.nz). I am also available to meet if needed.

STAFF CHANGES: Miss Megan Van Leewen has indicated she will be leaving at the end of the year to head north to Auckland. She wishes to be closer to her fiancé. While we are very sad to see her leave, we are thrilled on her announcement that she is engaged. Mrs Kirsty Frost will also be leaving at the end of the year. She has been working part-time in the Learning Centre for Y5-8 maths pupils. We also wish her well and thank her for the wonderful contribution she has made over the last three terms.

We will be welcoming Miss Julia Galloway (from Richmond View School – Nelson) to join us in a full-time capacity. Julia has been teaching for 9 years and has education running through her veins as her mother was a principal. Miss Amelia Kench will be re-joining us taking the remedial maths group in Years 5-8. We look forward to welcoming her back into this position.

LEARNING CONFERENCES: For 2018, School will begin on Tuesday 30th January with our parent/pupil/teacher Learning Conferences. These will also run on Wednesday 31st January. You will be sent an email with the details that will allow you to book a 15 minute interview for each of your children so you can meet with their teacher. This provides an opportunity to discuss your child's learning progress, share possible goals for 2018, and hear the outline of the teacher's expectations and programme. Parents with three children or more will be given the opportunity to make bookings 24 hours earlier than the rest of parents to assist with their planning. *NB: 1) The interviews are counted as attendance at school and if an appointment is missed then the child will be noted as an unjustified absence. 2) Learning conferences are expected for each child. Unfortunately, there will [most likely] be a \$5 added cost per child to your account to*

cover the office staff having to complete a booking for a family. Please avoid this by ensuring all bookings are made on time.

Many blessings and ngā mihi nui,

Steve Frost

[Tumuaki]

Give thanks for:

- Unity in community
- Generous givers of time, money, and resources
- Servant-hearted parents and pupils

Please pray for:

- Strength and peace for staff and pupils to finish the year well
- Doors to be open to purchase strategic land in order to further the vision of the school



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

Verses to Learn Term 4

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

Kia hari i runga i te tumanako; kia manawanui ki te whakapawera; kia u ki te inoi

Romans 12:12

Pupil Achievements

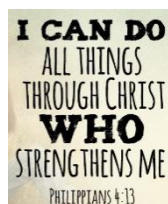


The names of the 2 Canterbury Primary Schools Cricket Teams were announced at a capping ceremony held last Monday evening. Congratulations to **Mario Raxworthy**, and **Charlie Hickey** who were both picked for the Canterbury Black team and to **Jamie Ehou** who

was picked to represent Canterbury Red.

In addition **Ben Mason** was picked to represent Buller - West Coast. A special thanks to Mr Harrison who has worked tirelessly to mould these young cricketers from an early age.

Tips for Learning



Thanks to Youth Central for the tips.

7. Ask for help

If you're stuck on something, or something just doesn't seem to make sense, you can always ask for help. Talk to your teachers about the things you don't understand. Talk to your friends and fellow students too.

8. Stay motivated

When you're studying it helps to keep in mind your reasons for doing all this hard work, like a course or career you're working towards. It can help to have something in your study space to remind you of your goals.

You could also decorate your study space with inspirational quotes or photos of people you admire and family members you want to make proud of you.

Assemblies Next Week

Year 7-10 – Wednesday 6 December, 1.30pm in the gymnasium.

Year 3-6 – Wednesday 6 December, 2.20pm in the gymnasium

[This week's flag is The Netherlands; next week's will be Niue]



- 1.1 Monday 4 December- Y9 Community Service Day
- 1.2 Monday 4 December – Y10 Work Experience
- 1.3 Tuesday 5 December- Y9 & 10 Study Day
- 1.4 Tuesday 5 December – Y0-2 Concert and awards afternoon
- 1.5 Wednesday 6 December – Y5-8 Athletics in Ashburton
- 1.6 Wednesday 6 December – Y9-10 exams commence
- 1.7 Thursday 7 December – Y3-6 Concert and awards, 7pm
- 1.8 Friday 8 December – Y3-4 Swimming Carnival
- 1.9 Friday 8 December – Y0-2 Woolston Firefighters visit
- 1.10 Monday 11 December – Y3-6 Picnic Day – Waltham Pool
- 1.11 Tuesday 12 December – Y0-10 Cycle Champs
- 1.12 Wednesday 13 December – Y0-2 and Y7-10 Picnic Day
- 1.13 Wednesday 13 December – Y7-10 Concert and awards 7pm
- 1.14 Thursday 14 December – Final day of term- 12 noon finish
- 1.15 Thursday 14 December – Y10 Graduation dinner – 6.30pm

Around Our School

- 2.1 **Y0-2 Picnic Day** On Wednesday the 13 December the Y0-2 children will be going to Chipmunks (Rms 6,8, and 12 from 9:30 - 12:00; Rms 7,11, and 13 from 12:30 - 3:00) and also having some lego challenges for the half day they are on the school grounds. Chipmunks have generously given us a special deal so that the cost of the bus and entry fee will come to \$8.00 per child. The lego half day will cost \$2.50 per child. The total cost for the picnic day is \$10.50, which will be added to your child's account.



Year 9 and 10 Notices

2018 Year 10 Camp Information Please return the consent form by Friday 1 December at the latest.

Year 10 Graduation Dinner is coming up on the evening of Thursday 14th December. The cost is \$38 per person. An invitation has been sent home. **RSVP and payment is due on Friday 1 December.**

If you have any questions about any of these things please contact Mr Dean Stanton at d.stanton@hillview.school.nz

- 2.2 **Y0-2 Concert** will be held in the gym on Tuesday from 1:30 - 3:00. Doors will open at 1:15.
- 2.3 **The Year 3/4 Swimming Carnival** will be held on Friday 8 December from 2-3pm at the pool.
- 2.4 **2018 School Dates.** School will commence with Learning Conferences to be held over 30 and 31 January. The first full day of school will be Thursday 1 February. All other term dates for 2018 are on the Hillview website.



- 2.5 **School Photos- last chance to order.** Ordering information was sent home with your child. Please note when you are logging in, the password is the number specified on the sample photo and include .jpg. **Orders close 1 December** to ensure delivery before the end of the term.
- 2.6 **Parents of Y6-7 Pupils.** If you weren't able to make it to the Parent Information Evening and would like a copy of the Power Point that was presented, please contact Dean Stanton at d.stanton@hillview.school.nz.
- 2.7 **Carol Singing at Chatswood Resthome, Thursday 7 December.** Rooms 7 & 8 will leave school at 10.30 to walk to Chatswood to sing to the residents. They will return by 12.30pm. We would love any parents to come along.



2.8 Lost and Found! Has your child lost prescription glasses at any time during this year? We have quite a stash here at the office and would love to reunite them with their owners.

HELP! Exam Support – We are looking for parents who can support a group of Y9 & 10 pupils who are using special accommodations during exams. It would involve reading/writing at the following times:

Wednesday 6 December 8:45-11am, 12:45-3pm

Thursday 7 December 8:45-11am

Please contact the office if you are able to assist.

2.9 Statements have been sent home with your eldest Hillview child today. We respectfully ask that any amounts outstanding be paid by 14 December. If you have an automatic payment operating, please ensure they are sufficient to pay your account in full by the end of the year. Thank you!

2.10 Abandoned Uniform! If your child has lost any item of uniform please check the lost property crates before the end of term. We have an enormous amount of uniform, lunch boxes and many other items which we would like to go back to their owner.

2.11 Advertising 2018 Newsletter Do you have a business you would like to advertise to our school community? We have a few spaces available for our 2018 edition. Please contact Sharon on s.yule@hillview.school.nz

Deck The Halls!



HSA would like your unwanted Christmas decorations and glass jars with lids. Please collect over the summer holidays and we will advise when to bring them to school. Thanks!

In Our Community

House for Rent in St Martins. 3 bedroom 2 bathrooms 2 living room family home with a large internal garage. Please phone Geoff 029 777 6129 for further information.



Christmas Carnival at The Parish of Opawa St Martins 8:30am, 2 December 2017, St Anne's Church, corner Wilsons and Centaurus Roads, St Martins. Fun, food & bargains galore. White elephant, book, cakes, toys, jams & preserves, china, linen, flowers & gifts stalls and more! There are games and a free bouncy castle for the children too. **Cash only.**

Active Kids Holiday Programmes Registrations now open for January School Holidays– book online!

Week 1: Mon 15 – Fri 19 Jan LINCOLN, WESTBURN, PAPANUI
Week 2: Mon 22– Fri 26 Jan CHCH BOYS HIGH, ROLLESTON
OSCAR approved; WINZ subsidies apply, 8am starts, single day bookings available Ph 03 373 50 60

E activekids@sportcanterbury.org.nz
www.sportcanterbury.org.nz

Uniform Shop Announcements

The uniform shop will be **OPEN Monday 4th December 8.30pm- 3.30pm**. It will be **CLOSED** on Monday 11th December.

Appointments can be made for other days by emailing Emma on uniform@hillview.school.nz, or place your order online via the Hillview website.

The Shop will be **OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** from **22 January to 31 January 2018**. Please email Emma to make your booking.

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Ruth Dyson MP for Port Hills



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