



# 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.

## Swimming Sensations!

Well done to our Year 5-8 Swimming team who competed in the South Zone Swimming Champs at Jellie Park. **For the first time in Hillview history**, we won all four of the relays! What a sensational effort! We praise God for the opportunity to display His gifts and talents and the hard work and many hours put in by many of our swimmers. We also have some superb individual results with 11 individual titles to Hillview swimmers and doubles to **Noah Davis** and **Elliot Graves**. A big THANK YOU to all the parents who supported us.



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Whanau – Through unity is strength  
"How good and pleasant it is when brothers (and sisters) live together in unity!" Psalm 133:1

15 March 2018

Kia ora Parents.



Earlier this week, we were blessed to have Dr. Michael Lindsay (President of Gordon College) speak to the teaching staff, leaders, and parents from our Christian Education Network Community of Learning. On Tuesday night he addressed a packed primary school hall of parents on the topic of *Growing Acorns to Oaks of Righteousness* speaking from Isaiah 61:1-7. Here are some snippets of what he shared:

- **Families need to have rituals.** Children will often remember family rituals when they are adults. They provide a sense of belonging, security, and stability. Rituals can include anything from holidaying at the same place to pizza nights on a particular night of the week. It does not matter what it is as long as the family can be together and this is a regular event.
- **Access to technology needs to be monitored.** Dr. Lindsay's family have a Technology-Free Sunday and this has worked very well. No cell phone, ipad, ipod etc all day. It can be quite surprising what the family can do without technology!
- **Remind our children they are blessed to be a blessing.** Focusing on what we can do to help others develops healthy and well-balanced attitudes towards life.
- **Cultivate perseverance in our family.** It is better we allow our children to work through a struggle (rather than avoidance) while they have us to guide them through it. Better this than start the process alone when they leave home. We learn the most through failures rather than successes.
- **Words are powerful.** Seize meaningful opportunities to talk about the great virtues in life such as love, faithfulness, peace etc. Ask questions at the end of the day such as How have they shown peace at school? Have they seen love in action by others? What were the outcomes of being a faithful friend?
- **Intentionally develop self-control** – he mentioned the study that followed a group of 4 year olds who were challenged to wait for the researcher to return to the room and refrain from eating a marshmallow in front of them. The study concluded, (once these children were interviewed at age 30) those who were most contented, lived a healthy life style, and possessed a positive attitude towards life were those who exhibited self-control.

I trust that you will find these helpful as I did. The challenge now is to transfer these principles to practice. Ngā mihi nui,  
Steve Frost

[Tumuaki]

## Prayer Requests

### Give thanks for:

- Encouraging and challenging talks this week from Dr. Michael Lindsay
- The teachers and learning assistants who work so hard for our children
- Our Heavenly Father being our source of truth and wisdom

### Please pray for:

- Ongoing unity in our CENCoL



Parents who pray make all the difference! Please join us on Wednesdays at 2.40pm in Room 14 to pray for our school community. **Everyone welcome.**

## Verses to Learn Term 1

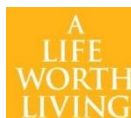
Love must be completely sincere. Hate what is evil, hold on to what is good. <sup>10</sup> Love one another warmly as Christians, and be eager to show respect for one another. <sup>11</sup> Work hard and do not be lazy. Serve the Lord with a heart full of devotion. <sup>12</sup> Let your hope keep you joyful, be patient in your troubles, and pray at all times. <sup>13</sup> Share your belongings with your needy fellow Christians, and open your homes to strangers.

<sup>14</sup> Ask God to bless those who persecute you—yes, ask him to bless, not to curse. <sup>15</sup> Be happy with those who are happy, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Have the same concern for everyone. Do not be proud, but accept humble duties. <sup>17</sup> Do not think of yourselves as wise.

<sup>17</sup> If someone has done you wrong, do not repay him with a wrong. Try to do what everyone considers to be good. <sup>18</sup> Do everything possible on your part to live in peace with everybody.

Romans 12:9-18

## Tips for Learning



### Year 0-2:- Christian Living

(by Steve Frost)

It is never too early to introduce God to our children. I find it quite amazing what 5 year olds are able to understand and process if we give them a chance. One of the best strategies to share about God with children is to read stories from the Old and New Testament.

Bible stories reveal so much about God's character. They tell of His greatness, His goodness, His love, His truth, His Holiness, His mercy and so forth. This helps to "paint a picture" of what their Heavenly Father is like at such an early age. It also helps promote opportunities to ask simple questions and reinforces Biblical truths.

Reading the Bible every day shows our children how important this book is to us as a family. There are excellent Bibles available for children that include colourful illustrations and well written storylines. The internet provides a wealth of resources for parents to use.

## Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to **Winnie Palamo** who was the fastest qualifier for the 100m semi-finals in the Under 14 Girls at the Canterbury Secondary School Athletics Prelims at Rawhiti Domain. She also brought the Under 14 Girls' 4 x100m relay team (with **Hannalise**

Manuel, Jess Telea and Paris Tipple) home in 6th place to qualify for the finals. Winnie is also in the 80m Hurdles and Long Jump final on Saturday.

Sam Meecham will contest the 3000m final on Saturday and Jacob Tauamiti qualified for the Under 15 Boys' Discus final. Deacon Stoneley had an excellent heat to win his 200m and make the semi-finals in the U14 Boys, going on to place 10th.

## Assemblies Next Week

**Year 0-2 Assembly: Tuesday 20 March** 2.30pm in the Junior Campus staffroom.

**Year 7-10 Assembly: Wednesday 21 March** 1:30pm in the gymnasium.

**Year 3-6 Assembly: Wednesday 21 March** 2.15pm in the gymnasium

[This week's flag is Switzerland. Next week's flag will be South Africa]

## Upcoming Events

- **Friday 16 March** – Y9 Trip to Cave Stream.
- **Monday 19 March** – 9XE trip to the Council Buildings
- **Tuesday 20 March** – Orientation afternoon for children commencing school in Term 2
- **Wednesday 20 March** – Last day for Y9/10 Summer Sport
- **Friday 23 March** - Year 4 Sleepover
- **Monday 26 March** – Y5-8 Primary Schools Duathlon at Ruapuna
- **Monday 26 March** – 9RG trip to the Council Buildings
- **Friday 30 March** – Good Friday
- **Monday 2 April** – Easter Monday
- **Tuesday 3 April** – Easter Tuesday
- **Thursday 5 April** – PS Swimming Sports at Rolleston
- **Friday 6 April** – Whole school Cross Country

## Around Our School

### Swimming Pool Closure

As our pool will be closed from 16 March, would all pool key holders return their key to the office as soon as possible after this date. Thank you.



## Christchurch School Music Festival For Year 5-8 Pupils Auditions for 2018 Representative Groups are open!

Applications for individual singers and instrumentalists to audition for one of the Festival's Representative Groups – **Junior or Senior Choir, Concert Band, Orchestra** – are now open. This is the opportunity for singers and instrumentalists to achieve at the highest level of performance and to excel in their chosen area of artistic endeavour. **For further information and an application form** visit the festival website [www.musicfestival.school.nz](http://www.musicfestival.school.nz). Feel free to contact Kim Morgan for advice or additional information by email at [k.morgan@hillview.school.nz](mailto:k.morgan@hillview.school.nz).

### Scholastic Book Club

Latest brochures are available from the office. Orders are due by the end of this term, 13 April.

### Year 9 and 10 Parents

Real Talk are an Australian-based Christian organisation who speak to pupils about a range of relevant topics. They will make a presentation to all Year 9 and 10 pupils on **Friday 13 April** on the topic of "Getting Real in the Digital World". The girls (Brave and Beautiful) and boys (Stronger) will then separate for the second presentation. The cost per pupil is \$12 and this will be added to your school account. There will also be a Parent night at Middleton Grange on **Wednesday 11th April**. If you would like any further information please contact Mr Dean Stanton ([d.stanton@hillview.school.nz](mailto:d.stanton@hillview.school.nz)) or check out the Real Talk website [www.realtalkaustralia.com](http://www.realtalkaustralia.com)

## SPORTS NOTICES

### Y3-4 Saturday Hockey Teams

We have just a few spaces for Year 3-4 girls and boys in School Hockey teams. If your child is keen to play, please email [p.norton@hillview.school.nz](mailto:p.norton@hillview.school.nz) All places in Year 5-6 are now full.

### Y5-8 Friday afternoon/evening Basketball @ Middleton

This will take place on Fridays at Middleton Grange Hall/Gyms. If your child is keen to play please fill out the application form on the Basketball page of the Sports Blog by Friday 23 March. This runs from 18 May to 14 September.

### Y0-10 School Cross Country

Friday 6 April on the Senior Campus from 12-1pm for Year 0-4 and 1pm-3.10pm for Year 5-10. A full timetable, course map and records are on the Cross Country page of the Sports Blog.

### Year 5-8 Winter Sport on Thursdays and Year 9-10 Wednesdays

Pupils need to think about the sport they would like to play for winter. Year 5-8 can choose from: rugby, football, hockey, netball or gym and played on Thursday afternoons from 1-3pm. Year 9-10: hockey, football, netball and possibly badminton/table tennis. This is played on Wednesday 3.00-4.30pm approx. Notices will be out next week to be returned by Thursday 29 March please.

### Year 4-5-6 Rugby Fun Day - Boys and Girls

We are entering teams in a "one-off" Rugby Fun Day at the start of next term. Anyone can play (you don't have to be a Saturday or Thursday rugby player) and we have a Girls Only team who play against girls only. Please email Mr Norton if students are keen: [p.norton@hillview.school.nz](mailto:p.norton@hillview.school.nz)

### Sports Blog

Information regarding sport at Hillview can be found on the sports blog at [www.hillview sport.wordpress.com](http://www.hillview sport.wordpress.com)

### Hillview Uniform Shop

The shop will be open Monday 8.30am- 3.30pm. Appointments can be made by emailing Emma at [uniform@hillview.school.nz](mailto:uniform@hillview.school.nz) Alternatively, orders can be placed online at [http://www.hillview.school.nz/?page\\_id=855214](http://www.hillview.school.nz/?page_id=855214) and collected from the office.

### HSA

### Connect '18 Tomorrow!

School BBQ/ Picnic Tea Friday 16 March 6pm- 7.30pm Junior Campus. Come along to a fun evening and meet other families in our school community.

Bring your own picnic tea and enjoy a free sausage. Please note parking is NOT available in the New World carpark.

### Christmas Decorations Wanted!

The HSA are collecting any Christmas decorations for this year's Winter Market.

If you have anything Christmassy to donate, please drop them into the school office. Thank You!

Are you creative with wood, wool, fabric, paper etc or good with a hot glue gun? We need people to help make things to sell at the School's Winter Night Market early in term 3. If this is something you can help with please email Kathryn Denne, [hsa@hillview.co.nz](mailto:hsa@hillview.co.nz).

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