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### **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.











Cookie Challenge







For the first 6 weeks of this term the students in Year 7 completed the Cookie Challenge, where they had to create an original biscuit and market it by making a video advertisement, poster, business cards and packaging box. It was great to see the fantastic ideas and delicious creations. The tasting panel certainly enjoyed the task of trying them all!





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### Humility - All our successes are due to God

2 Cor 10:17 But, "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord."

21 June 17/12

Kia ora Parents

Last Friday I had the pleasure of taking ten Hillview leaders to Timaru Christian School (TCS). This was part of their 2012 leadership programme. Every Monday morning they meet with me from 8.00am-8.30am to discuss various leadership issues and I have a wonderful opportunity to speak into their lives. It is one of my favourite roles of being a principal. This year every Year 10 pupil has been carefully assigned a leadership role within the school. Four passionate staff members invest into their lives at least once every two weeks. This trip south was very successful with the pupils presenting interesting lessons for the Y0-8 pupils to participate in. The lessons included Maori Art, a basketball skill session, hip-hop dance and percussion/beat activities. The principal of TCS was so confident in the skills and abilities of the Hillview leaders that she ran a professional development day for the staff knowing that her pupils were well catered for. The day concluded with a celebration assembly displaying the gifts and talents of the Timaru pupils as they presented their achievements from the sessions above. Three of our pupils were given the opportunity to share about what it means to really love others, form a relationship with God, and how to be a genuine friend.

While we were travelling south I had an interesting talk with one particular student about the importance of being punctual. We discussed the issue at length and came up with a number of reasons to validate the importance of being punctual. By being punctual...

- you honour the other person by being on time and boost morale
- there is a high probability you won't cause others to be adversely affected
- helps your time management
- ensures you don't have to interrupt a meeting in progress or miss out on essential information
- builds a healthy reputation
- encourages people to trust your word

I would like to focus in on the last reason because this is such an important truth for pupils to learn. There is nothing better than being able to have full confidence in someone's words. A person's word should be honoured and respected. If a person consistently does not keep their word, their reputation can be severely tarnished. The Bible reinforces this by stating clearly that our "yes should be yes and our no should be no." This saves us from having to worry about making irrational oaths. Our word should simply be enough. This is an important principle to pass on to our children. When they decide to join a sports team it is for the whole season. When they enter a competition that extends their gifts/talents it is vital they attend practices and sit the exam. When they volunteer to fulfil a role or complete a particular task it is essential they give their best and don't stop until it is fully completed. Establishing these habits early on lays a healthy foundation for the future. They will develop character traits that are very attractive to employers and more importantly, representative of the God they serve. Over my years in education I have observed some disappointing situations where teams have had to disband or team morale has been extinguished due to

pupils being allowed to choose whether they wish to turn up to a practice or finish the season. Please understand that I am referring to unjustified absences. My hope and prayer is that Hillview pupils will continue to honour their word with integrity and respect. Not only do they represent our school but more importantly they are ambassadors for the Lord Jesus. If there is any group of students that should be known for honouring their word, it should be pupils belonging to the King. As parents and educators we play a pivotal role in helping them to fulfil this. Two very effective ways is to intentionally teach them through seizing God moment opportunities to share with them and to model this in our own lives.

Recently I met up with a student who is a cast member in our production called OZ. She had committed to being in our production and only recently found out that one of her treasured family members will most likely not be able to watch any of the performances. This impacted her greatly and her first reaction was to pull out of the production. Her reasons for withdrawing were along the lines..... "The family won't be there to watch me"..... "I don't have a very important part"..... "Nobody will miss me not being in the cast"..... "I am not really gifted to be on stage." While on the surface some of these reasons may seem plausible I spoke to her about the opportunity she had been given to grow in character. This provided her with an excellent opportunity to become a stronger person through persevering with the performance and gain great credibility with her peers. To her credit, she changed her mind and has decided to continue with the production. I genuinely honour her for that. She could have easily been tempted to take the easy way out but chose to take the route which showed great commitment, and perseverance. May we continue to seize God-given opportunities to speak into our children's lives that will grow them in wisdom, stature, and maturity.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday break with your families.

Many blessings

Steve Frost (Principal)

### Dates to Remember

- **1.1 Wednesday 27 June** Mufti Day (gold coin donation)
- **1.2 Thursday 28 Friday 29 June -** Y7-10 Student Leadership Conference at MGS
- **1.3 Friday 29 June** Whole School Assembly 1.40-2.50pm (weather permitting)
- 1.4 Thursday 28 June Year 4 Ferrymead trip
- 1.5 Friday 29 June Last Day of Term
- **1.6 Friday 13 July** Production Full Cast Rehearsal
- 1.7 Monday 16 July Term 3 begins
- 1.8 Monday 16 July Production Full Cast Rehearsal
- 1.9 Tuesday 17 July Oz Production 10.00am Matinee and 7.00pm
- 1.10 Wednesday 18 July Oz Production 7.00pm
- **1.11 Thursday 19 July** Oz Production 7.00pm
- 1.12 Friday 27 July Olympics Day
- 1.13 Tuesday 31 July ICAS English Exam
- **1.14 Tuesday 31 July** Year 5/6 Primary Sports Canterbury Indoor Tournament
- 1.15 Tuesday 31 July Y9/10 Get2Go Challenge

### HSA Fundraiser

### Pink Bag Fundraiser

Thank you for your support. We raised \$1145.20 for our school gymnasium.

### Noticeboard

- 2.1 Welcome We warmly welcome Rosemary Fisher to our teaching staff starting Term 3 Week 3. Rosemary will be teaching the Year 1 class in Room 6. Rosemary is married to Peter and attends St Johns Anglican Church. She is an experienced teacher who is extremely passionate about education. Sadly, we will be farewelling Mrs Thrupp. Both John and Jerusha are preparing to welcome a beautiful new baby into their family.
- 2.2 Mana Whanau & Kapa Haka There is no Mana Whanau this term because of preparations for the Oz production. Kapa Haka will still be running over this period.
- 2.3 Text Alert Emergency Procedure Did you receive our text alerts during the snow? If not you are not subscribed! <u>Text 'Hillview' to 570</u>. You will receive an immediate reply thanking you for joining.
- 2.4 Absences/Lates Please call and leave a message before 8.45am with any absences. Please push 2 for the absentee line after the welcome message. We are no longer using the text service for absentees. This was being trialled and it has been decided to cease using it.
- 2.5 Uganda Orphans Mufti Day Wednesday 27 June A mufti day to raise money for Raising Up Hope, a faith based organisation dedicated to helping disadvantaged children in Uganda, expecially street children and those orphaned by AIDS. The school was visited by an ex-Hillview student while he was on a short term mission trip to Uganda and he would love us to help support their school with a mufti-day. Their mission is to help orphaned, abandoned, homeless, and vulnerable children by providing for shelter, clothing, medical, educational, spiritual, and other needs.
- 2.6 Statements Attached today is your Term 2 family statement. This shows what is owing and is not a transaction statement showing any payments you have made. Loading automatic payments is an ongoing process. Please note: Due to Proprietor instructions, credits made to SCCC Education Trust, for Attendance Dues and Voluntary Donations, can no longer be transferred to pay owed activities to Hillview Christian School at any time.
- 2.7 Newsletter Helper Needed Can you spare an hour (or so) to be part of our parent roster for Newsletter collation? We need someone to assist the office staff every third Thursday, 10.00am onwards. If you can help, please see Natalie in the office. Thanks.
- 2.8 New School Website If you do not wish to have your child's image on the school website please let the office know before Friday 29 June. If we do not hear anything from you we will presume we have your permission. Thank you, Steve Frost
- 2.9 World Vision Money URGENT: Please return all your sponsorship money to your classroom teacher. This needs to be counted and banked before Wednesday 27 June.
- 2.10 Hillview in 2013 Please let us know as soon as possible if your child is not going to be attending Hillview next year. We would respectfully remind you that a half term's fees, per child, will be charged if we do not receive a term's notice of your child/ren leaving.
- 2.11 OZ PRODUCTION: Ladies and gentlemen... boys and girls of all ages... Hillview Christian School proudly presents, OZ an adaptation of The Wizard of Oz. This will be one production you will not want to miss! It will be held in the amazing MGS Performance Arts Centre. Seating is limited (only 300 per show). Tickets are available from the office now. Shows: Tuesday 17 July 10.00am (matinee) SOLD OUT!!! & 7.00pm, Wednesday 18 July 7.00pm and Thursday 19 July 7.00pm. Prices: Adults \$12.00, School Children \$8.00 and Family Ticket (immediate) \$30.00
- 2.12 Scholastic Book Club Orders close tomorrow, Friday 22 June.

### HSA & BOT News

- **3.1 Entertainment Books –** We have extra copies if you wish to buy one, they are \$65.00 each.
- **3.2 Beanie & Scarf Fundraiser** If you placed an order, these are available to collect tomorrow, Friday 22 June, from the uniform shop. If you would like to make an order we have order forms in the school office.
- **3.3 Quince Jelly** H.S.A Fundraiser. Yummy Quince Jelly for sale, \$4.00 a jar. All proceeds go to the gym fundraiser. Contact Ruth Hitchins on 0211067833.

### Community Notices

- 4.1 Tweens and Teens Toolbox Course Running at Hillview in Term 3. The teenage years can be like riding a roller coaster. Toolbox courses aim to take out a few of the nastier twists and turns on the track, and also to help you to hold on and enjoy the ride. Next term there will be a Tweens and Teens Toolbox course here at Hillview run by a trained Parents Inc facilitator. The course runs over six sessions and covers topics such as atmosphere, boundaries, communication, discipline, self-esteem, and future focus. The course runs every Thursday evening for six consecutive weeks and starts week 2 of term 3, Thursday 26 July. 7pm-9:30pm. www.theparentingplace.com for more information. To sign up for the course please contact Philippa Becker (p.becker@hillview.school.nz or 9811 373).
- **4.2 FREE Movie Night** Mr Poppers Penguins at Opawa Baptist Church. Friday 22 June at 7.00pm.
- 4.3 Quest Holiday Programme For 10-13 year olds. Monday 2 June - Friday 6 June. Activities ranging from creative clothing challenge to Tenpin bowling. Places fill very quickly. Contact Pat at the SCCC office on 3795497.
- 4.4 Zumbatomic A crazy cool dance fitness workout for kids (aged 8-12) set to hip hop, salsa, reggaeton and more. The class runs every Thursday 3.30-4.15pm at Pioneer and costs \$6.00 and is taken by Bella Carter.
- 4.5 Red Cross Volunteers The New Zealand Red Cross are currently looking for volunteers. If you would like to be part of earthquake recovery efforts in Canterbury, enjoy connecting with people and have a minimum of a day spare each fortnight (during school hours), the Red Cross would love to hear from you. The Red Cross recovery team is currently recruiting volunteers for their outreach team. The outreach team visit people in the community, conduct door knocks, and provide support at events. To find out more please phone 0800 4 OUTREACH (0800 468 873).
- **4.6** Living Springs "BOOTCAMP!" A five day camp for age 8 yrs Year 8. 1–6 July 2012. Drop off Sunday at 6.30pm and pick up time on Friday at 3.30pm. For more information see their website link: <a href="livingsprings.co.nz">livingsprings.co.nz</a>

### Verses to learn Term 2

### Psalm 37:6

He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun.

### Prayer Requests

### Give thanks for:-

- God's rich blessings on us as a school
- the unity we have at Hillview Christian School
- passionate teachers and supportive parents
- the opportunity to run the Y7-10 leadership conference **Please pray for:**-
- protection on our marriages and families
- those preparing for 'OZ' production
- the school to continue being a blessing to others

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

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