



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.



WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

It was great to see all the students trying so hard and giving of their best. We had four new records set in the hot conditions. Well done to Louis Dowall (Y1), Bonnie Graves (Y2), Sam Meecham (Y6), and Maddie Morrow (Y6). Congratulations to SNELL for winning the House competition!!!

Thanks to all the parents, family, and friends who came to support the students.



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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,

Welcome back to Hillview for Term 2. If you are a new parent to our community, we extend a very warm greeting to you as you enter into our school community. We pray that you and your child will transition smoothly into our Christian school. The school holidays can provide wonderful opportunities to spend time together as a family and I hope it was just what your family needed. Our family travelled south to celebrate my father-in-law's 70th birthday. Both grandparents are still running their “three sheep farms-in-one” without any paid workers. I marvel how they can still manage to do this. Following this event, we headed to Lake Hawea and had a beautiful time walking, swimming, biking, and playing many games of Uno and Connect Four! It was also an opportunity to complete and “get ahead” with school work.



On Wednesday the theme of both Junior and Senior Campus assemblies was centred on Anzac Day (commemorating 100 year anniversary). This is one of the few times we have been able to formally acknowledge Anzac Day together as a school. This date usually falls during the school holidays. We were very privileged to have two visitors join with us to share the meaning of Anzac Day and play the Last Post – Mr Harold Garlick (grandparent of children at our school) and Mr Andrew Garlick (uncle of children at our school). It was very humbling to have the pupils stand in silence while reflecting as the bugles were being played by both men. Mr Harold Garlick shared with the Year 5-10 pupils what Anzac Day meant to him and the impact it had on him, his family, and our nation. I was most impressed as he recounted the way that men and women were willing to fulfil their duty to this nation and the Queen by serving in the war knowing that they would most likely never return. I am reminded of the challenging words: “*The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men [and women] to do nothing.*” Of course this had a huge impact on the loved ones who were left behind in New Zealand. It was extremely difficult.

We were encouraged to be thankful and grateful for the things that we enjoy now due to the courage, sacrifice, loyalty, and dedication of those who went before us. For example we can enjoy living in peace and freedom. Of course there are many similarities between the Anzac message and the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

- Lives were sacrificed for their country and

Queen.

One life was sacrificed for the sin of the world.

- Lives were laid down that evil may be conquered and peace may be restored.
One life was laid down that sin and death may be conquered, reconciliation made, and peace be given.
- Lives were taken in an attempt to bring hope of a better life.
One life was taken to bring eternal hope for a desperate world.

May we appreciate what we have and be thankful that we no longer live in a time where war ravaged our nation. We continue to honour those that have gone before us.....lest we forget.

Many blessings,

Steve Frost

Principal

Tips for Learning



Year 0-2 Tips for Developing Thinking Skills

(by Philippa Becker)

Tip one: [Listing] Listing is a low-level thinking skill, but it is important when we start learning about a topic because it shows us what we already know and what we need to find out! It is a non-threatening activity and encourages fluency of thought. In listing, you can elicit some quality thinking amidst the quantity. Try some of the ideas below.



1. At the dinner table pick a topic, for example ‘colours’. Go around the family with each person contributing a colour to the list until people run out of ideas.
Other topics to create lists about: animals, capital cities, girls’ names, boys’ names, rivers, landmarks...
For extension, you could choose a letter of an alphabet and a topic. All items are to start with the chosen letter of the alphabet.
2. There is an excellent song on YouTube which goes through the countries of the world. Learning a song is a fabulous tool for helping children to learn lists and content. Look up ‘Countries of the World KidsTV123’ on YouTube. There are also songs available for the Books of the Bible on YouTube.
3. To encourage memory development, prepare a tray of about 15 familiar house-hold objects. Allow your child to look at the tray of objects for a minute or two then conceal the objects. Have your child list as many objects as he/she possibly can. Encourage strategising here (grouping objects in your mind).

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations



Miniball Year 4 - A grade WINNERS! The Hillview Thunders beat Halswell Rams in the finals at the end of last term having lost to them two weeks earlier. Well done team!

Fia Lai-Kong and Luke Mitchell competed in Hamilton and helped Canterbury win the Vivian Shield for the 12 and 13 years Inter-Provincial Athletics Championship. **Fia Lai-King**

was also second overall (in NZ) for her age – an outstanding effort!

Assemblies next week



- Y0-2:** Friday 2.00pm – 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 24 April** – Year 4/5/6 Rugby Fun Day – Burnside Park
- 1.2 **Monday 27 April** – Anzac Day Public Holiday
- 1.3 **Tuesday 28 April** – Year 8 Information Evening
- 1.4 **Thursday 30 April** – Y5-8 Duathlon – Ruapuna 9.00am-12.30pm
- 1.5 **Friday 1 May** – Mufti Day “Blast from the Past”
- 1.6 **Monday 4 May** – South Zone Y7/8 Basketball Tournament at Hillview 12.30-3.15pm
- 1.7 **Thursday 7 May** – Y5-8 Winter Sport commences at Hagley Park
- 1.8 **Friday 8 May** – Year 9/10 Basketball starts
- 1.9 **Wednesday 13 May** – Y9/10 Winter Sport commences
- 1.10 **Wednesday 20 May** – Y5-8 South Zone Cross Country 10.00am-12noon Halswell Quarry


Noticeboard



- 2.1 **Term 1 Lost Property** – We have unclaimed lost property from the Senior and Junior Campus. There are many unnamed or illegibly named uniforms and mufti clothes. These will be available for inspection in the AV room (off the Library) on the Junior Campus from Wednesday 29 April until Wednesday 6 May - 3.30pm. Following this they will be unfortunately disposed.
- 2.2 **Lost Property** – In the office we have many smaller valuable items unclaimed ie: watches, glasses, jewellery etc. If you or your child may have mislaid something please come and check. Anything unclaimed will be disposed of at the end of May. Thanks. 
- 2.3 **Year 8 Information Evening** – On Tuesday 28 April at 7.00pm, in the Junior Campus staffroom, is an information evening about the Hillview Middle School (Years 7-10). This is largely aimed at the parents of our current Year 8 students. However any other interested people are welcome to attend. If you have any questions about this please contact Dean Stanton at d.stanton@hillview.school.nz or phone 3326923 extn 226.
- 2.4 **School Phone Directory** – We now have available from the office the 2015 School Phone Directory. These are \$2.00 each which will help cover printing costs. 
- 2.5 **Mufti Day** – ‘Blast from the Past’ Mufti Day, Friday 1 May, Term 2, Week 2. Raising money to go towards the building of accommodation for families who need to come to Christchurch for cancer treatment. Dress up like old actors, musicians or fashion from the past or even try characters from old school comic books or TV shows. Gold coin donation. Teachers and staff to dress up too!
- 2.6 **Winter Uniform** – Full winter uniform needs to be worn this term. Please do not mix summer & winter uniforms. If you are unsure what your child needs please refer to the School Handbook, your class teacher, or Emma at the uniform shop.
- 2.7 **Swimming Pool** – The school pool is closed. Please return you key to the office a.s.a.p for your deposit refund. Thanks.

- 2.8 **Year 4/5/6 Rugby Fun Day** – Friday 24 April at Burnside Park. The three teams leave school at 10.30am and return by 3.00pm and we will travel by school van and parent's cars.
- 2.9 **Year 5-8 Winter Sport and Gym** – This starts on Thursday 7 May. The buses leave Hillview at 1.00pm and students return by 3.00pm. Rugby players need a mouth guard (jerseys are provided), Football players need shin pads and Hockey players need a mouth guard and shin pads. All children wear PE gear on Thursdays. Teams and Draws (or link to them) will be on the Sports Blog when available.
- 2.10 **Year 9-10 Wednesday Sport** – This starts on Wednesday 13 May. Students' games are usually from 3.15-4.00pm and are either at Hillview or other schools etc. We travel by school van or teachers/parents cars.
- 2.11 **Year 5-8 Duathlon Team** – We will travel to Ruapuna by school van and parents cars next Thursday 30 April. We will meet at school at 8.00am and return by 1.30pm.

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** – Please see the attachment today for this wonderful fundraising opportunity. You will also have received your named ordering envelope today. This would make a great Mother's Day gift. 

Community Notices

- 4.1 **For Rent** – A 3 bedroom house is available to rent from 6th June. Great family home in the Cracroft area. Big open plan living area, log fire, bath, separate shower, a joining garage, low maintenance gardens. Please call Greg on 0275552505.
- 4.2 **Tuition in Reading, Writing and Spelling** – Sessions for each child are taught by an experienced tutor for half an hour at 19 Riverview Street, Beckenham. Contact Alison Cross (B.Ed., Dip.Tchg.) on 3324680 if interested.
- 4.3 **O'Callahan Dance Studio** – Fairy Dance, Ballet, Jazz, Stretch, and Acro. Now taking enrolments for Term Two. Mention this notice and receive two classes free! Exam and Performance opportunities; from two years of age. Classes are held in Beckenham, Barrington and St Albans areas. Contact Ciara for more information on 027 335 2759 or ocdancestudio@hotmail.co.nz

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.” 1 Timothy 4:12

Prayer Requests



Give thanks for:-

- God's rich blessings on us as a school
- passionate teachers and supportive parents

Please pray for:-

- the protection and strengthening of our marriages
- the smooth completion of our school gym

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

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