



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.



Mud, sweat and ...
Our Year 7 pupils enjoying a challenging bike ride at McLeans Island last week.
Thank you to the parents who helped on the trip.



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Respect- We value our differences

“...Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honour [Respect] one another above yourselves.” Romans 12:10

29 November 2018



Kia ora Parent(s),

Last Thursday I met a very special man. His name was Jonah and he lives in the country of Uganda. He is in a similar role to myself. He is a principal. Principal Jonah leads a school similar to the size of Hillview (400 pupils) and the ages range from 5 – 13 years. There are apparently 40 million people in Uganda and almost 50% are under the age of 20 years.

He was extremely engaging and had the most infectious smile and warm personality. His school is responding to a great need – to educate all children especially those who are poor or underprivileged. They receive no government assistance at all but are expected to meet the financial costs such as teacher salaries, text books,



class stationery, school equipment, and complete building projects. They also seek to feed the children and provide them with uniforms so

they feel like they belong. I forgot to mention that Principal Jonah and his wife have adopted 37 children for themselves!

I think he came seeking advice on growing a school. While I tried to bless him by sharing our story, it was not

long before he had me mesmerised by his journey. For example, they wake up every day not knowing where the money is going to arrive from to meet their bills. However, looking me straight in the eye he stated that God had been continually faithful time and time again. With every challenge that arose, God provided in His way.

I could not help but notice that he seemed to be very content, despite the adversity he and the children were experiencing. I was intrigued and asked him why he smiled so much. He mentioned that he had peace. He knew that God was in control and He could be trusted. He also made it a practice to start every day at school with the children giving thanks to God for every blessing. The secret to their contentment was being grateful. Even though they lacked resources, they chose to focus on what they had rather than what they did not have.

I wonder if our school community would notice anything different if we made it our goal to start every day with a prayer time when we did nothing else but thanked God for what we have. Now that is something to think about.
Ngā mihi nui,

Steve Frost

[Tumuaki]

Give thanks for:

- The Y10s and their contribution to our school
- Our supportive parent community
- Christian Education in New Zealand

Please pray for:

- Our Year 10 pupils as they prepare to graduate

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

Verses to Learn Term 4

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Romans 12:10

Tips for Learning

Year 0-2 Science

[by Jonathon Blows]

A sense of wonder is a great place to start when inspiring our children about the World around us.

Why not take your children on a journey of discovery - into your back garden at night time armed with just a torch. You may be surprised how many little eyes you see reflecting back your torch light as many spiders and other invertebrates are nocturnal, hunting and feeding in the dark. You may even catch the sight of a lizard or a sleeping bird, a rabbit or hedgehog!

Keep still and listen to all the different sounds. Look at how the flowers close up...there is so much you can learn and then talk about over a hot milo afterwards!

Assemblies Next Week

Year 0-2 Assembly – Wednesday 5 December, 2.30 in the Junior staffroom.

Year 3-6 Assembly- Wednesday 5 December 2.30pm in the gymnasium.

Year 7-10 Assembly – Wednesday 5 December 1.30pm in the gymnasium.

[This week's flag is Sri Lanka. Next week's flag will be Jamaica]



- **Friday 30 November** – Y9 Community Service Day
- **Friday 30 November** – Y10 Work experience
- **Tuesday 4 December**- Y0-2 Concert and Prizegiving
- **Thursday 6 December** – Y3-6 Concert and Prizegiving
- **Friday 7 December** – Y3-4 Swimming Carnival
- **Monday 10 December** – Y3-6 Picnic Day at Waltham Pool
- **Tuesday 11 December** – Whole school cycle champs
- **Wednesday 12 December**- Y0-2 Picnic day
- **Wednesday 12 December**- Y7-10 Concert and Prizegiving
- **Thursday 13 December** – Y7-10 Picnic day
- **Friday 14 December** – Y10 Graduation dinner
- **Friday 14 December** – Last day of school for the year, 12 noon finish
- **January 31 and February 1** – Learning Conferences
- **Monday 4 February** – Classes commence

Around Our School

Sports Notices

Cycle Champs will be held on Tuesday 11 December. If your child would like to enter, please click <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQQM1nEPcphaXH2IJ2SxMAXmCcWGIRmuZps18kQQSuUzd98Q/vi/wform>

Swimming Pool Keys

There are a few school swimming pool keys still available. If you wish to purchase a key to use the pool outside school hours, please see office staff. The price is \$120 which includes a refundable \$50 bond (given when the key is returned in March).

Exam Support

Hillview is looking for parents who can support a group of Year 9 and 10 students who are using special accommodations during exams to see if this will benefit them when taking similar assessments at Year 11 and beyond. If you are interested in lending a hand, it would involve you acting as a reader/writer for a 2 hour period in Week 9 (5-6 December).

The accommodations in place will vary for each student but may involve reading questions aloud to the student or acting as a handwriting scribe. We would update you with a definite time schedule. Please contact the school office if you are able to help .Ph 332 6923.

Year 0-2 Concert

Is on this Tuesday 4 December at 1.30pm in the gymnasium. Doors open at 1.15pm.

School Photographs

The final date for online ordering of this years' school photographs is **this Friday 30th November**. To ensure delivery to the school before years end, orders must be place by this date (there after, direct courier delivery fees apply) If for some reason you have not received the access details (after checking your child's bag!), please contact todd@pacificportraits.co.nz, stating school name, child's name & class. Todd will reply within 24 hours with access information. If you have placed your order, you should have received confirmation emails from both Paypal (for payment confirmation), and Pacific Portraits' lab partners Queensberry (for order confirmation) - if not in your inbox, check your spam/junk folders.

Year 10 Graduation

Please RSVP with payment to the office by **Monday 3rd December** for the Year 10 Graduation Dinner. Contact Mr Dean Stanton at d.stanton@hillview.school.nz if you have any questions.



New Entrant School Visits

Will be held on **Thursday 6 December** for all New Entrants starting on first day of 2019, from 9:00am - 10:30am in Rooms 8 and 12 with Mrs Smith and Mrs Rossouw.



Room 12 and Room 7 Kauri Lodge Visit

Room 12 and Room 7 to visit Kauri Lodge Rest home from 9:30 -

11:30 on Friday 7 December. The children will travel by bus and the \$2 charge should to be paid to Classroom teacher.

Room 6 and Room 8 Chatswood Village Visit

Rooms 6 & 8 are hoping to visit Chatswood Retirement Village, 60 Hawford Rd, Opawa, to sing Christmas songs and perform some dances on **Friday, December 7 at 10:45am**. We will be walking so if it is wet the postponement date is Monday, December 10. Parents are welcome to accompany us, and so add volume to our singing. Parents can walk with us or meet us there.



Y0-2 Picnic Day

The Y0-2 picnic day will be held on Wednesday December 12th. The Y0-1 classes (Rooms 6,8 and 12) will be going to Chipmunks Papanui in the morning and travelling by bus. They will leave **school at 9:30** and return at 12. The remaining Y1 and Y2 classes (Rooms 7, 11, and 13) will visit Chipmunks in the afternoon - leaving at 12:30 and returning at 3:00. While the children are at school they will be doing some Lego building. The total cost for the day is \$14:90 per child, which has been charged to your school account.



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School Readers

Could parents of junior campus children please check at home for any school readers and return them to school as soon as possible. Thank you



Carpenter/ Joiner Needed

The school has some carpentry/ joinery work to be done over the Christmas holidays suitable for a carpenter or joiner. This isn't heavy work and would suit a retired person, or someone between jobs, or looking for extra work. Please contact David Mitchell, the school property manager, on d.mitchell@hillview.school.nz or call 021 0222 9949 to find out more and discuss pay rate.

Sunsmart Fundraiser

Keeping our families Sunsmart this summer is important. We have an opportunity to offer the SUNRIGHT Sunsmart products to our school families as a fundraiser by one of our parents within the school community. These make great Christmas Stocking fillers too! Click [here](#) for further info. To place orders directly with Louise Gee email: geewhanau04@gmail.com or phone 022 416 3615.

In Our Community

Wharenui Gators clinics- develop basketball skills in a fun environment. Clinics will be held in Dec and Jan. Register <https://www.facebook.com/gatorsbasketballclub/>

Hillview Uniform Shop

The shop is open Mondays from 8.30am -3.30pm during term time. Alternatively, orders can be placed online at http://www.hillview.school.nz/?page_id=855214 and collected from the office.

School Holidays. Bookings for school holiday fittings are now open. Visit www.schoolinterviews.co.nz , using the code **u73z5**

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