

Kirkwood
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 11 2011

Dear Parents/Caregivers

The school will close for the holiday break tomorrow, and reopen on Monday 1 August at the usual time. For all of us I think this has been a particularly long term, with much added stress. This has been evident in the behaviour of some of our children, and also in our every day conversations. For our staff we have had the added stress of a production – which went very, very well I am sure you will agree – and of course the preparation of our mid-year reports. I hope parents will make the most of the opportunity to attend teacher – parent - child conferences early next term, where the report comments can be fleshed out, and new goals set for the remainder of this year. We hope to be trialling an on-line booking system – more about that later.

and our staff were able to highlight what makes Kirkwood special. In these challenging and changing times, we are asking for parents who are intending to enrol children here next year, to please get the application forms in as soon as possible. It makes everything much easier if we can plan our next year well in advance.

I hope that everyone in our community gets the opportunity to spend some good time with their loved ones over the next two weeks, and that we all come back to school ready for a great third term. As always, thank you for your support of our school. We look forward to working with you over the remainder of the year.

I would like to thank all those involved in our open day and open night. It was a successful occasion where our children

Phil Tappenden
Principal

Yr 8 Wellington Trip

\$200.00 should now have been paid towards the Wellington Trip. If you have not paid, please can you send the money to school this week or pay by internet banking:

School Bank Account Name: Kirkwood Intermediate Board of Trustees
School Bank Account Number: 12-3147-0180900-00
Particulars: Child's Surname, first name
Reference: Wgtn trip

A further \$100.00 is due next term.

Last Tuesday Fleur Beale came to visit Kirkwood.



This was arranged through the NZ Book Council.

Fleur spent the afternoon talking to a group of students about writing and the publishing her books.

The students asked many questions and they felt privileged for being given the experience of meeting a 'real live author'. Fleur is the author of 'Slide the Corner', 'Dirt Bomb', 'Juno of Taris', 'Fierce September', 'Walking Lightly', and 'My Life of Crime' - just to name a few.

Hagley Sport Results for Tuesday 5 July

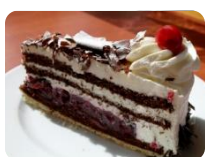
	Played	Score	Win/Loss	Player of the Day
Netball A	Chch South A	17-15	Win	Brooke
Netball B	Chch South B	7-10	Lost	Grace
Netball C	Cobham E	15-15	Draw	Rachael
Netball D	Heaton G	20-12	Win	Tania
Netball E	Casebrook D	18-19	Lost	Ruby
Netball F	Chisnallwood I	24-4	Win	Natasha
Rugby	Heaton B	67-0	Win	Paul
Hockey A	Breens A	3-2	Win	Josh
Hockey B	Cobham A	2-7	Lost	Tba
Hockey C	Manning	1-1	Draw	Edwin
Hockey D	Chch South	0-20	Lost	Laura
Soccer A	Heaton C	2-1	Win	Mason
Soccer B	Manning B	2-1	Win	Josh
Rippa	Cobham	6-6	Draw	Tba
Rippa	Branston	2-5	Lost	

Results can also be accessed on the website: www.primarysportscanterbury.org.nz
Hagley Sports for Tuesday 12 July were postponed.

Waterpolo				
1 July	Sumner	2-7	Lost	Sean for consistently swimming hard and finding the open man
8 July	Christ the King	18-1	Win	Ben for scoring 10 goals!
Basketball				
2 July				
A Team	Hillview Red	25-30	Lost	Michael
B Team	Hillview White	12-10	Win	Brock
9 July				
A Team	Hillview Black	25-14	Win	Jack
B Team	Middleton White	17-27	Lost	Katie

Our Term Calendar: (you can also refer to our website – www.kirkwood.school.nz)

Thur 14 July	BoT meeting
Fri 15 July	End of Term 2
Mon 1 Aug	Start of Term 3
Tues 2 Aug	ICAS English
Tues 9 Aug & Wed 10 Aug	Parent/Teacher/Child Interviews



School Council Bake Sale

Thank you for your support for this. A grand profit of **\$424.60** was made and this will go towards purchasing digital cameras for Kirkwood.



Congratulations to:

Blake from Rm 8 who has been chosen to represent Canterbury Indoor Cricket in Wellington. The tournament will be held in the first week of the school holidays.



If you know that you would get bored in the wet winter holidays...

'CANTAMATH'

-Mathematical Displays-

A great opportunity for the students who love to be creative and achieve success in mathematics!

This poster was the overall winning 'Publicity Motif' of 2010.

What you can do:

- There are a number of categories: Publicity motif, Posters, Models, Written work, Games and Puzzles and even Video making
- Ask your teacher to give you more information for each category
- OR
- You can visit the website
<http://www.canterburymaths.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Cantamath-PDF/2011-Displays-Categories.pdf>

When:

- The due date for the school competition is 19 August 2011. Only the best work will be handed in to the Cantamath competition and these will be displayed in the CBS Canterbury Arena on 24 August 2011

What you get:

- 3 different prizes can be earned- Highly Commended, Excellent Award and Overall Outstanding.
- Excellent Award and Overall Outstanding are entitled to get a Kirkwood Blue.

Enjoy 😊

Community Notice Board

Re: Access to School Dental Services over the July school holiday period - The Community Dental Service has a contract to provide an emergency dental service for pre-schoolers and primary school children over the school holiday period. The service is limited to the relief of acute pain only and will operate from 8:30am until 12:30pm from the Hillmorton Community Clinic, Sylvan Street, Christchurch for the following times: **Monday 18 July – Friday 29 July 2011 (excluding weekends)**. Routine treatment will **not** be offered/available over the holidays and any accident related issues will be referred to Community Dentists as per usual practise. Dental Clinic telephones will have a message regarding how to access emergency care.

Training Ship Steadfast Sea Cadet Unit - do you want to learn to sail? Do you want to learn to shoot? Do you want to earn NCEA credits? Are you at least 12 years 9 months old? . has 8 places available starting term 3 and 10 places starting term 4. If you would like more information contact Mrs Chris Nee on 353 4080 or call at: Naval Headquarters, 419 Montreal Street. Tuesday nights between 6-45pm and 9pm during school terms.

The Roxx Climbing Centre (home of Clip N Climb) for T3 enrolments ring 377 3000 or email: climb@theroxx.co.nz

Riccarton ITF Taekwon-Do Club kids' classes! - 6-12 year olds; Tuesdays and Thursdays 5-6pm; Villa Maria High School hall; \$25 per month. For more info please phone Helen Caley on (021) 131 7809 or email riccartontkd@gmail.com

Canterbury Museum Holiday Programme: Dino-size and Fossil-wise! - 18 – 29 July

10.00 am – 12 noon; St Albans School, 17 Sheppard Place Cost: Discovery Club members \$4, non-members \$6 per child. Bookings essential: telephone 021 366 553 or email education@canterburymuseum.com.

Do you have a harmonious functioning stepfamily? (Well, at least most of the time!) Are you a step parent or step child between 9 – 17 years old who thinks they have a healthy positive step relationship? Have you been in this step relationship for about 2 years or more? If so, we would really like you and your family to take part in research. The purpose of this research is to explore how regular stepfamilies manage to achieve fairness in everyday life.

Your participation would provide us with information that will be valuable for new and other step families who are still struggling to build up this type of relationship. All that is involved is one household family meeting and filling out some questions (approx 45 minutes) If this sounds interesting please contact Celia Falchi 0274 460 732 or families@jhug.co.nz for more information. In appreciation for your time, you will receive a \$100 supermarket voucher or family movie vouchers.

This research is supported by the New Zealand Families Commission

Dear parents and caregivers

Despite the recent mild weather, winter is now upon us and your children may be especially vulnerable to catching the flu. July and August are the months when we usually see most influenza cases.

Influenza is a nasty virus that brings with it a high temperature, sore throat, headache, aches and pains, extreme tiredness and weakness, among other things. It can keep kids off school, you off work and the family away from a normal routine for weeks. It can also kill people, particularly those with chronic illnesses.

Both preschool aged children and their families benefit from the vaccination. With older school aged children sharing campuses and buses and good hand hygiene being more difficult to practice, the flu virus can spread more easily between people. Preschoolers and the elderly are significantly more likely to require admission to hospital than other age groups.

We know that many families are living much closer together in crowded houses and classrooms since the earthquakes. Some homes might also be colder this winter. A lot of people may feel run down after the earthquake and the stress that has resulted. All these things make people living in Canterbury more vulnerable to catching the flu. The earthquakes have also put more pressure on the Canterbury health system and reduced the number of beds available in the hospital.

Due to all these things, all Canterbury residents (not just those in Christchurch) aged six months to 17 years (up to their 18th birthday) can get a free flu vaccine this flu season. The vaccine is already free to pregnant women, anyone aged over 65 years and anyone with a chronic health condition such as diabetes and asthma.

I urge you to get yourself and your children vaccinated as soon as you can.

If your child had a vaccination last year, they still need to have one this year to give ongoing protection from influenza. Children under nine years of age, who were not vaccinated last year, need two vaccinations before they are protected. It takes two weeks before the vaccination protects you from the flu, so best to get it done now.

Free flu immunisation is available for a further three weeks, until 31 July. Twenty minutes at any General Practice is all it takes to get protected.

Yours sincerely

Dr Ramon Pink, Medical Officer of Health, Canterbury DHBz

Our International Food Festival
will be held Week 5 Term 3
More information next term.



2011 Art Cup Contestants
Presently on display in the school foyer is a fantastic presentation of art work done by students competing in the 2011 Art Cup. They have completed the first stage – painting, and over the next two terms will be working on their drawings, sculpting and photography.

Here is a selection – you will have to come in and see them all as you will get a much better appreciation of the great effort they have put into their art work.



