



School Newsletter

Term 4 Week 1 2017

Welcome to our first newsletter of Term 4. At the end of each term, teachers (and probably parents) say that it was really busy. The reality is that all terms are busy and Term 4 is no exception.

The first of our Year 8 camps (Rooms 3 & 4) have gone to Wellington. Next week the Rail Trail (Otago camp) will head away, with the rest of our classes going to Wellington in the two weeks following that. It was originally thought that all our Year 8's would go on the Rail Trail as the train from Picton is not operating this year. This also meant that we would not be travelling by ferry. However, the pupils had a choice and around 24 pupils chose the Rail Trail. I would like to thank all of the staff and the parents who accompany the classes for their hard work and commitment. It is very much appreciated.

This term is full of opportunities for our pupils; our Year 7 pupils study Financial Literacy culminating in an Enterprise day where they have a stall to raise money for charity. Towards the end of term we have both Year groups go sailing. The Year 7's have their own yacht and learn to sail at Lake Rua, while the Year 8 pupils go on a Ketch around Lyttleton Harbour. This experience involves learning how to steer, pull up sails and so on. In addition, this term there is the much awaited Disco and perhaps the more low key – Science Road Show.

In regards to the sports we have happening this term athletics is the focus for the first half of the term, you are welcome to come and watch your child run on Tuesday 7 November.

Another fantastic sporting opportunity we have as a school is with the New Zealand Institute of Sport. We have a very good relationship with NZIS and are fortunate to have them taking sports lessons with most of our children this term. Later in the term we have the Summer Sports Tournament which has which has a number of different sports being played.

There is also a small group heading to China and our sister school in Cheng Du. They leave on Friday 20 October and come back on Wednesday 1 November. They will send daily accounts of their trip which will appear on the school's website and Facebook.

The next meeting of the school's Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday 26 October and the PTA meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 8 November.

There are many opportunities for our children this term, and I hope you encourage them to get stuck in to lots of things going on.

Best Wishes

Peter Aitken
Acting Principal

Wellington and Otago Camp

All outstanding Wellington and Otago Camp costs need to be paid now.

The school bank account is:

Account Name: Kirkwood Intermediate Board of Trustees;

Account Number: 12-3147-0180900-00;

Particulars: Child's name (surname first);

Reference: Wellington camp or Otago camp.

Camp dates are as follows:

Tuesday 17 – Friday 20 October

Rooms 3 & 4 Wellington

Tuesday 24 – Friday 27 October

Otago Camp

Tuesday 31 October – Friday 3 November

Rooms 1 & 2 Wellington

Monday 13 – Thursday 16 November

Rooms 5 – 6 Wellington

School Cell Phone

For texting absentees only please.

027 4163414.

(Please note – we do not reply.)

If you have an urgent or important message that you want passed to your child, please ring the office on 348 7718. (If you text or email, we may not read the message in time.)

Thanks.

Homework Club



This is held on
Tuesday & Thursday
afternoons
from 3:00pm – 3:45pm.

This is for pupils to do homework, research and to 'ask any questions' which is a service provided by the Christchurch City Library.

Drink & biscuits will be provided

Road Safety



Please can you emphasize to your children how important it is to cross Riccarton Road at the pedestrian crossing by Wharenui Road.

If you are dropping your child off opposite the school, they must walk down the road to this crossing.

Please do not help them to cross opposite the school.

Thank you for your support with this.

Scholastic Book Club

Orders are due by
Tuesday 21 November.



Please post in the office slot.

Internet Banking

The school bank details are as follows:

Account Name: *Kirkwood Intermediate Board of Trustees*

Account Number: *12-3147-0180900-00*

Particulars: *Child's name (surname and first name)*

Reference: *Parent's/caregiver's name (surname and first name)*

For those of you who wish to pay by internet banking for any school activities during the year, please make sure you return the permission slip, ticking the box saying that you are paying via the internet.

Kirkwood Intermediate School PTA Fundraiser



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QUIZ



NIGHT

Sunday 29th October 2017
7pm Start
Avonhead Tavern
120 Withells Road
Avonhead

Prizes and Raffles on the Night

Tickets \$10 per person
Teams 5-6 people
Tickets can be purchased
from school office.

PTA Quiz Night – Food Hamper

The PTA are putting together a large hamper for the upcoming Quiz Night and would love your help.

This is not compulsory, however, if you would like to donate it would be much appreciated.

Each class is allocated a different food group.

- Rooms 1, 2, 3 Snacks (crackers, chips etc);
- Rooms 4, 5, 6 Christmas item;
- Rooms 8, 9,10 Sweets (biscuits, chocolates etc);
- Rooms 11, 12, 13 Tinned food/sauces.

If you are able to help, please bring your item of food to the office.

Thank you



Korfball Tournament

Congratulations to both teams who entered the Korfball Tournament. The A team were placed third with the B team being placed fifth. Well done!



Kapa Haka

On Wednesday 27 September our Kapa Haka Te Kaupeka was invited to perform at the local Kindercare on Clyde Road.

We all had a really good time and it was a great experience in front of the little children.

Thank you to Kindercare for inviting us and we look forward to possibly performing once again in the future.



China Here We Come!

We attend Kirkwood Intermediate School and have been selected, along with three other students, to attend a cultural trip to Chengdu in China. We have been very fortunate that this trip has been made possible with the generous funding from Education New Zealand to go towards our travel expenses.

Our excitement starts this Friday 20 October where we fly to Chengdu and meet up with our home stay families with a welcome dinner. We get to spend the next 7 days at our home stays, attending the local school and learning the local arts including brush writing, stitch work and making the traditional Dumplings. The big highlight is getting to visit a Panda Park! As a group, we will be performing items from our Kapahaka group to 2000 students!

Once we leave Chengdu we get to fly to Shanghai for 4 days to experience the hustle and bustle of a city with a population of over 24 million people. One of our highlights will be getting to go up the Shanghai tower, which is the second tallest building in the world.

This trip is really going to open up the world for us and we look forward to sharing lots of photos and amazing memories of China with everyone at Kirkwood Intermediate School

Kendall Jones & Grace Thomson



Well Done Theo

On the first weekend of the holidays, my Canterbury water polo team and I flew to Wellington to compete in the Nationals.

When we got there, we were all tired because of the early flight and then only twenty minutes later we had our first game. Even though we were all tired, we were absolutely pumped for the tournament.

Our first game was a draw, so after this game we went outside as a team to have a team talk and do a few warm ups. The next games we played we came first place and made it through to the finals. It was in the finals that we lost which meant we came in at second place.

By Theo

Science Competition

In Term 3, Mr Smith took four pupils, Finlay, Kaitlyn, Jacob and Willow to the Christ's College Science Competition.

They took part in problem solving in the areas of science such as Physics, Biology and Chemistry.

The group did really well and placed third overall.

School Counsellor

Available on

Mondays 11am – 4pm
Wednesdays 8am – 4pm

Students can self-refer or be referred by home or school.

Please ring the school office on ph 348 7718 and leave a message if you wish to get hold of me and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Regards
Sue Molloy

Our Term Calendar:

(you can also refer to our website:
www.kirkwood.school.nz)

Friday	20 Oct	China Trip departs
Monday	23 Oct	Labour Day
Tuesday	24 Oct	Year 8, Otago Rail Trail Camp Invitational Tournament
Wednesday	25 Oct	Invitational Tournament
Thursday	26 Oct	Invitational Tournament BoT Meeting
Monday	30 Oct	Science Road Show
Tuesday	31 Oct	Wellington Camp – Rooms 1 & 2 Year 7 Christchurch City Council, New Zealand History
Wednesday	1 Nov	China Trip Returns
Thursday	2 Nov	Girls Self Defence
Tuesday	7 Nov	Kirkwood Athletics Year 7 Christchurch City Council, New Zealand History
Wednesday	8 Nov	PTA Meeting
Thursday	9 Nov	Girls' Self Defence
Tuesday	14 Nov	Travis Wetlands Trip
Wednesday	15 Nov	Travis Wetlands Trip New Families Evening
Friday	17 Nov	Canterbury Show Day
Tuesday	21 Nov	Ashburton Athletics
Friday	24 Nov	Disco
Thursday	7 Dec	Blues Assembly

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

NZ Bike Expo – Held at the Air Force Museum in Wigram on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 October.

Chinese Immigrant Parents – If you have a child between the ages of 5 – 12 years and are able to participate in a study regarding participation in parenting programmes, could you please contact Yun Wei on 022 3805687.

The Rising Tide Project – An invitation to all parents whose children have used Rising Tide to have a say. If you are interested, please email S.Herkt@massey.ac.nz

Canvas Bag Drama School – Classes combine a structured fun-filled social environment with extensive use of improvisation and role play to develop positive feelings of self-worth. Enquire at info@canvasbag.nz

The Wizard of Oz Audition Call – Auditions available on Saturday 21 October from 10:00am at the St Albans Community Centre. To book an audition call Fay on 021 0431108.

Maths and Science Tutor – For primary and secondary school students. With 40 years experience working as a research scientist in Europe and New Zealand. For more into contact Iliia Iline 021 0752217 or ilia_chch@yahoo.com

SPORTS/CLUBS

Nettabury and Summer League – Summer Programmes run by the Christchurch Netball Centre. Please contact Sara Norton 027 9194474 for more information or to register.

Girls' Cricket – Do you like to have fun, make new friends, learn new skills and like to see a lot of action and excitement? Come and play girls cricket this summer. For further club information contact Mark Pringle ph 027 2260360, Juniors@halswellcricket.co.nz or visit www.halswellcricket.co.nz

St Albans Girls' Cricket – Trainings will be at Hagley for most of the season and games are around the city. For more information email teganw@stalbanscricket.co.nz or ph 027 3391340.

Junior Touch – Burnside RFC is running a junior touch module at Burnside Park. This is held on Wednesday evenings. For more information visit www.burnsiderugby.co.nz.

PROGRAMMES/EVENTS

ASB Fun Run – Taking place on Sunday 26 November. To receive your guide contact hello@summerstarter.co.nz

Chisnallwood Intermediate School 50th Jubilee – All past pupils are invited to come along for a weekend of celebrations, 27 – 28 October.

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