



Ready, Willing, Able

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Dear parents and caregivers

It really is great seeing everyone back into routines within classes now. School is certainly busy with the upcoming swimming sports, South Canterbury triathlon around the corner and senior camp preparations in full swing.

It was great seeing a number of students/families take up the option of traffic/road safety with Maire Froud our local School Community Officer. If your child is riding please be aware that about the time we are heading to school the sun is low in the sky and at a very awkward level for drivers. Please keep this in mind when you are making the decision for your child to bike to school.

The student learning conference information went out yesterday and there is a slight change in previous years with these taking place over the day as opposed to afternoons last year. Our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause but we feel that this is the most appealing option to ensure these conferences are held at a time that is best suited for children, families and staff. This format is inline with other schools in Timaru.

Here is the [link](#) for registering for the interviews. Please fill this out as soon as possible as we will be allocating times from next week. We will turn off the link from Wednesday

Thanks

Matt



 **Welcome** 
 **To Our School**

Welcome to Abigail Goodger who joined Room 1 last Thursday. Doesn't she look great dressed up in her house colours for our Rippa Rugby day!

Happy &

Healthy

Environmentally

Aware

Aspire

Respectful

Tenacity

Be ready,
willing and able
to have HEART,
to be proud of
who we are and
what we do -
today and
tomorrow.

COMING UP

School Swimming Sports—Wednesday 4th March
Assembly—Friday 6th March hosted by Rooms 1 & 2

TERM 1 CALENDAR

4th March	School Swimming Sports
6th March	Assembly hosted by Rooms 1 & 2
13th March	Team Learning Conferences—NO SCHOOL
13th March	South Canterbury Schools Triathlon
16th March	Tennis Coaching
17th March	PCT Challenge
20th March	Assembly
20th March	Rural Schools Swimming Sports
24th—27th March	Senior School Camp
27th March	South Canterbury Schools Swimming Sports
3rd April	Assembly
9th April	LAST DAY OF TERM 1

FAMILY DONATIONS

The family donation has once again remained the same for the 2020 school year being \$100 for 1 student and \$200 for 2 or more students at the school.

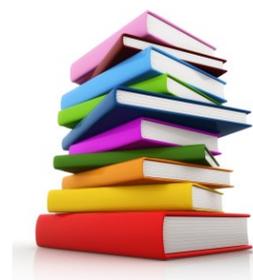
If you chose to pay this donation in full before the end of Term 1, we will credit 10% back to your school account.

Thank you to those families who have already paid this amount, we sincerely appreciate it!

LIBRARY HELP!

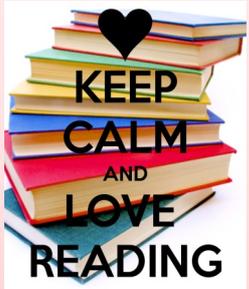
Mrs Hurley would like to acknowledge the following people for their wonderful help covering our new library books :-

Fiona Jackson
Kylie Siegert
Vanessa Riley
Beth Rich



Well done to our fab Barton athletes who competed at the recent South Canterbury Athletics Champs! Those who gained medals had points tallied for each event, which were totaled for overall positions in their age groups.

Kayla Allington, Sophia Wright, Charli Collins, Kruz Collins, Harry Bradley and Hunter Wright



Reading Levels



When children begin their adventure into reading, they typically start at Level 1 and make their way through, gaining skills, knowledge and independence as they go. Once reaching Level 20-22 children are well on their way to becoming proficient readers and the 'level' becomes less of a focus.

Often at this point the greatest learning step is to widen the type of reading material being experienced. A child will typically be reading more non-fiction, descriptions, instructions & poetry to name a few.

As teachers we find that before moving on, the focus is to become a 'fatter' reader rather than a 'taller' one! Please don't be too concerned about your child's reading level at this important step into proficiency or at any earlier stage.

It is very easy for a child to also become anxious about their level, which then can impede enjoyment and learning. At times a book may appear easier (and could well be) as a particular skill is being focused on and the reading does need to be less of a focus.

Enjoy the reading experience at home! Don't forget reading to your children is very important no matter what their ability or age.

Teachers would happily recommend reading material that would best suit your family as well as chatting to you regarding any concerns that you may have.

Find appropriate reading material here:

<https://www.scholastic.co.nz/books/new-zealand-publishing/new-zealand-publishing-top-100-kiwi-books/>

Top Kids' Reads for 2019:

<https://www.skids.co.nz/top-kids-reads-for-2019/>

Rippa Rugby





The Barton Rural Home and School Committee are looking for new members!

Here's some info that tells you a bit about us.....

Who are we? We are a group of parents keen to help out our school community.

What do we do? Our main goal is to fundraise for our children and bring our school community together, to get to know each other better. We do this by creating events for everyone at school ie: The School Fair, Discos, Casino Evening, a Car Rally (coming up) and the School Working Bee. Some of our other fundraising includes firewood, phonebooks and applying for grants. We serve our community with a project called Helping Hands, where a few meals or baking is provided for those that need some love at a difficult time. We also manage the second hand uniform shop and sports uniforms.

What does it involve? We meet once a month to plan events and as the event gets closer, there may be another meeting required to finalise details, then ... all hands on deck for the set up/pack down and to help run the event.

Why should you get involved? Simple really, many hands make light work! This benefits **all** of our beautiful children and this is a great way of getting to know other parents to strengthen our school community.

How do you get involved? Come Along to our AGM on the 18th of March at 7pm in the staffroom at school, for a Coffee and Cake evening and an informal chat or for further information.

I'd like to acknowledge our current committee members, Deanna (Treasurer), Jill (Secretary), Claire (Deputy Chairperson), Malcolm, Coenie, Michelle, Jo, Tammy, Cath (Helping Hands), Nicola (Uniforms), Maree and Matt thank you for all you do behind the scenes, you are a great bunch of people. It's been an outstanding effort over the last year. Well done. Thank you also to those of you in the school that contributed your time, to help the Home and School Committee. We really appreciate it!

Find one of our team and chat to them if you have any questions.

Thanks again, Janelle Brickle (Chairperson)

COME AND CELEBRATE

CHILDREN'S DAY 2020

AT CAROLINE BAY HALL

SUNDAY MARCH 1ST
10AM - 2PM

FREE FUN



For families looking for fun activities on Sunday 1st March, the ever-popular Children's Day event is the place to be, at the Caroline Bay hall from 10am to 2pm.

This free annual event will offer an array of events and activities that will keep families busy and will be a great opportunity for mums and dads to join in and do things with their children. They can play exciting games, test their skills in interesting activities or simply have a great time watching the selection of entertainment.

Families are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch and make a day of it, last year many hundreds of people took part. There will be free refreshments including sausages available.

The day's activities include music and movement, mini train rides, bouncy castles, and inter-active displays from emergency services. Many of the popular Caroline Bay rides will operate free between 10am and 2pm.

Children will have a chance to perform with a band, take part in outside games, or even try their hand at fly fishing or obstacle courses. For the little ones under five years, there will be ride-on-toys, face painting and a lot more.

As in previous years there will also be great activities for the older children, organised by the YMCA.



Northern Hearts Football 2018 Registrations

If your child is keen to play football for Northern Hearts this season you can find all the details on our Facebook page - Northern Hearts AFC Juniors - or contact us on nheartsjuniors@hotmail.com

Registrations need to be completed by the 15th of March.



ST ANDREWS PRIMARY HOCKEY CLUB

Registrations are now open to join the St Andrews Primary Hockey Club for the upcoming South Canterbury Hockey Season.
Primary aged children (Year 1 -8)

If your child is keen to play hockey you can register via the St Andrews Primary Hockey Club Facebook Page or by Emailing standrewhockey@gmail.com and we will send you a registration form.

St Andrews Primary Hockey Club practice at the Hockey South Canterbury Turf on Mondays with a slot booked from 3.30pm-5.00pm.

Years 1-6 play on Tuesday afternoon/nights

Years 7-8 play on Friday afternoon/nights

11 aside (Years 7/8) Primary competition grading games will be on Friday the 3rd April, with competition starting the first Friday of Term Two.

6/7 aside (Years 1-6) will start the first Tuesday of Term Two - 28th April

For any further information please email the St Andrews Hockey Club: standrewhockey@gmail.com

Registrations need to be completed by the 13th March.

PLEASANT POINT
RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB



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JAB RUGBY
BOYS & GIRLS

4-13 year olds

REGISTRATION DAYS

New & Existing Players

Wednesday 4th March 2019 3.00-4.30pm

Friday 6th March 2019 3.00-4.30pm

Pleasant Point Rugby Clubrooms

Cash & Eftpos available on the day

Any further information contact Jeremy Bailey on 0274349076

**SUBS \$45 per
player**

Shorts \$30 Each

Socks \$12

**KIWI
SKATE DAY**

SUNDAY 1st
MARCH 2020

FUN • FITNESS
FRIENDSHIP
FREEDOM

LOOK US UP ON
FACEBOOK



**COME ALONG & GET
SOME SKATES ON**

Marine Parade, Timaru **WHERE**

11am - 4pm **TIME**

SkateNZ
NEW ZEALAND FEDERATION
OF ROLLER SPORTS INC.

skatenz.org.nz



OLD BOYS
TIMARU

Timaru Old Boys JAB Registration

Dates 2020

Open Day/Registration

Sunday 8th of March 10am- 2pm

Bouncy Castle, Sausage Sizzle, Games & Lolly Scramble

Registration Saturday 14th of March 11am- 1pm

Registration Wednesday 18th of March 4-6pm

At Old Boys Clubrooms, Timaru.

New players please bring your birth certificate.

No eftpos available.

Teams in all grades and Girls Tackle

\$40 for one child, \$65 for two and \$90 for three or more children.

Payment of Subs will get your child a free training top, rugby ball, mouth guard, drink bottle, beanie and end of year photo. Team shorts and jersey are supplied for the season.

First practice Wednesday 25th of March, 4:30pm at Old Boys clubrooms,

Quarry Road, Timaru

Any enquires contact:

Gareth Hale: President 0274753694

Dixie Willis: Secretary 0279219807

Malcolm Coles: 0273407948

Or Facebook Timaru Old Boys JAB