

NEWSLETTER: 28.09.2017

### **From the Principal's Chair**

*"I don't believe in magic. I believe in hard work." – Richie McCaw*

This term has had an amazing focus on our children and their talents. We have had speeches and poems performed to a variety of audiences, our school production displayed the talents and the children ran their own talent show. All in all the term has been very focussed on the Arts area of the curriculum.

I would like to take this time to publically thank the staff here at school for the work they have done this term. Without their work none of the things I mentioned above would have been possible.

Mrs Heaven did a fantastic job of writing the script for the production and working with her class on their "Eye of the Tiger" item. Miss George used her theatre skills to help the actors with their performance as well as directing and organising the different acts. Mrs Chapman and Miss George did a terrific job in working with our youngest learners to learn their "YMCA" routine. Mrs Ashton not only helped her class to learn their "Do You Believe in Magic" routine but also created Kowhai's costumes. Miss Gaskin not only helped Harakeke to perform "Kung Foo Fighting", she also assisted the actors and classes to enter and leave the stage quickly and accurately. Miss Blair had to juggle the task of giving the leads time to learn their parts along with assisting the senior class to perform their "Ghostbusters" routine. Hours of work went into making the show seem almost effortless.

Not only the teachers gave up their time though. Thank you to Mrs Huggins for painting the window in the backdrop, assisting with the photo organisation and working around the classes as they practised. Huntley was terrific in transporting children and props to the hall during the practices. Mrs Taylor did a wonderful job of keeping the financial matters sorted and fielding the phone calls. A special thanks to Olivia for cleaning up after the mess that was left in some classes as they got ready for the big show.

Along with this the teachers worked to make sure that speeches and poems were learnt, practised and performed. Every child who attended speeches got up and spoke which is a terrific achievement. Some schools I have worked in this is far from the norm. This comes down to the support the teachers and families give to our children to help them be successful.

Being part of a team has always been important to me and being part of the team here, especially with all that has gone on this term, has been especially rewarding. I know that without all the members of our team none of this would have been possible.

As a Principal it is wonderful to have such a talented, creative and hard working team to be part of.

Sean Wansbrough - Principal

## School Production Photos

These fantastic photos taken by Miss George are still available until tomorrow. Orders will be back early next term. If you haven't paid for them they will be added to your school account for payment.

## Weetbix Try-athlon

The registrations for the 2018 Weetbix Tryathlon held in Christchurch are now open on line. There is a Mt Somers Springburn School group that you can link to as you register. It is a swim, a bike and a run for children 7 years and older. More detail is available on:

<https://registration.tryathlon.co.nz/Home/Event/25/Package/0/Wave/0/Sequence/0/School/f3f31fb1-85e3-4de7-a56e-236e2e8f8699>

Please message to say if you have registered with our school group:  
valerie.ashton@mtss.school.nz or via the Class Dojo if you are in Kowhai Room.

## Junior Poem Competition

The Junior Poem Competition was held yesterday and it was fantastic to see all the children who stood up before a large audience to present their poem. Congratulations to you all.

The results were –

Tussock – 1<sup>st</sup> Holly Marett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Otto Acland, 3<sup>rd</sup> Milford Buyaan

Harakeke – 1<sup>st</sup> Leo Acland, 2<sup>nd</sup> Luca Brown, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lily Oliver

Kowhai – 1<sup>st</sup> Jack Gorrie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sylvie France, 3<sup>rd</sup> Blake Marett

## Mission Mt Somers - 28th October

A notice will come home before the end of the term to register for the 5km introductory off-road run/walk. Contact for this event is Sarah Gaskin.



## Opuke Kahui Ako (Community of Learning) Teacher Only Day

As part of our membership of the Opuke Kahui Ako, Mt Somers Springburn School along with the other schools in the community (Mayfield, Methven Primary, Our Lady of the Snows, Mt Hutt College, Lauriston, Rakaia, Chertsey and Dorie Schools) is taking part in a Teacher Only Day where all the teachers from the different schools will learn together. This is being held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> of November. This is the Thursday before Christchurch Show Day. School will be closed for instruction on this day.

## Athletics Day

Our cluster athletics sports is being held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> of October at Hinds School. This is different to previous years where it has been held on the Tuesday after Labour Day.

We are looking for parents to help as chaperones while walking between events for the 11 year old boys and girls as well as the 12&13 year old boys. If you are able to help with one of these groups please let us know.

## **Labour Day**

This year the holiday is on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> of October. Please let the office know if you are taking your children away earlier than Friday afternoon.

## **Bus Changes**

From time to time we need to change the bus routes due to new enrolments. As we have new enrolments on the Lake Heron bus route which has created a situation where we have too many children to fit on the Mercedes. This means that the route needs to change and has some effect on the other 2 bus runs.

A notice has come home today outlining the changes for your child and their bus. Maps and new bus times will come out early next term. The date for the change is Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> of October.

## **Lion's Dinner**

A huge thank you to Maddy Brown, Jayne Clark, Maria Bessai, Rachel Rooney and Nicola Singleton for helping out with the Lions Club dinner fundraiser for the Senior Camp. It is always a big ask to give up their time but it means so much to our children.

## **Cheese Roll Fundraiser**

Thank you to everyone who supported the senior class in purchasing cheese rolls. A special thank you to Countdown Ashburton for providing a \$50 voucher towards the cost of ingredients, Fonterra for donating cheese and the Lions for the donation of onions. It was a terrific way for our senior children and families to raise the money for camp.

## **Sausage Sizzle**

Bede and Rhodes ran a sausage sizzle as they are trying to get post protectors for the rugby posts at school. They learnt a lot about fundraising. They want to thank everybody who supported their event.

## **Bus Driver**

We currently have 2 people applying for their P endorsements so that we can have regular drivers and relief drivers for the buses. They should be able to drive by early next term.

Thank you for everyone's patience during the past term while we got new drivers organised. We are hoping there will be less disruption in the future.





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 **The Aoraki Mackenzie  
Starlight Festival  
Galileoscope Workshop**  
Celebrate New Zealand's International Dark Sky Reserve

 Photo: Valley of the Stars by Mark Gee

**The Hermitage, Aoraki/Mt Cook  
13-15 October 2017**


Come to the Starlight Festival and join *Science Alive!* instructors in the Galileoscope Workshop 1.30-4.00 pm Saturday 14 October. Then use your Galileoscope for stargazing from 9.30 pm at the new Mt Cook Observatory.

The Galileoscope is a kitset telescope valued at \$70 and yours to keep, but the workshop tickets are only \$20. The Galileoscope Workshop is designed for people of all ages, but especially for school students (years 4 to 13) who have a passion for astronomy.

*Buy tickets on-line!* VENUE: THE CHAMOIS BAR & GRILL, HILLARY ALPINE CENTRE (Mt Cook),  
[www.starlightfestival.org.nz](http://www.starlightfestival.org.nz)

Galileoscope kitset telescope      Galileoscope Workshop at the 2015 Festival


 PRESENTS  
**A COMEDY  
HYPNOTIST SHOW**  
FEATURING GERARD V

Saturday **23rd**  
of **September 2017**  
**7.30pm** at the **MSA**

*"Come and experience a fun, hilarious, family friendly show and if you are brave enough to volunteer you will have the time of your life!"*

Open bar available | Supper provided  
Tickets **\$30** each or **2** for **\$50**

For all ticket purchases and enquiries  
please contact  
Emma Todd 0210399258 or  
Phoenix Preschool (03) 3088461





#### GIRL GUIDE BISCUIT FUNDRAISER

Original, Choc or Mini Choc \$3.50 per packet.

Or any 3 packets for \$10.

Whole boxes from \$50 onwards.

Please support this main Fundraising event for the Girl Guides.

Contact Nicola 0210 295 6119 for orders

## Dental Care over the School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will operate an emergency service over the school holidays. This service is to provide relief of pain only and will not undertake 'routine' treatment. The service will be available each working day from 8:45am until 12:30pm from the Hillmorton Community Clinic, Sylvan Street, Christchurch for the following times:

Tuesday, 3rd October to Friday, 6th October 2017 (excluding weekends)

and

Monday, 9th October to Friday, 13th October 2017 (excluding weekends)

This service will operate by appointment only and if we are unable to see your child, alternative options will be given. If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

You can phone and make an appointment for the emergency clinic by ringing 0800 846 983.





Mid Canterbury Children's Theatres Production of ...



Music & Lyrics by  
Richard M. Sherman,  
Robert B. Sherman,  
Al Rinker, Floyd Huddleston and  
Terry Gilkyson

Music Adapted & Arranged &  
Additional Music by  
Byran Louiselle

Book Adapted and Additional Lyrics  
by Michael Bernard

Based on the 1970 Disney film  
"The Aristocats"



Music & Lyrics by  
Stephen Schwartz  
Book by David I. Stern

"When you wish upon a star"  
&

"I've got no strings"

Music by Leigh Harline,  
Lyrics by Ned Washington  
from the Walt Disney Motion Picture  
Pinocchio

Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia).  
All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.

Director **Cherie Livingstone** Musical Director **Jo Castelow**  
Choreographer **Michelle Smith - Copland**

**Ashburton Trust Events Centre, Wills Street, Ashburton**

Friday 6th October 7pm Saturday 7th October 7pm Sunday 8th October 2pm

Tickets Available from Ashburton Trust Event Centre, Wills St, Ashburton  
or [www.ticketdirect.co.nz](http://www.ticketdirect.co.nz)



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# HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES OCTOBER 2017

## SWIM LESSONS

Group and  
individuals  
available

**OCTOBER**

2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>  
9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>

Individual lessons available  
both weeks on request



## BREASTSTROKE CLINIC



For children  
struggling  
with the  
breaststroke  
goal in  
any level

**OCTOBER**

2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>  
9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>

## COASTGUARD BOATING

Boating Education and Water  
Safety Workshop  
for kids at Pesky  
Penguins level or up



- 1.30pm - 2.15pm
- Limited spaces
- \$60 for week of 5 sessions

**OCTOBER**

9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>

## INDIVIDUAL LESSONS

**\$40**

30mins

**\$27**

20mins

**\$20**

15mins

Individual  
lessons are:

- \$40 for 30mins
- \$27 for 20mins
- \$20 for 15mins



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Call Stacey on 308 4035 or email  
stacey.hoets@adc.govt.nz

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## GOLF TOURNAMENT AMBROSE FORMAT SUNDAY OCTOBER 29

**FUN, SOCIAL DAY FOR NON GOLFERS  
AND GOLFERS**

**Fundraiser for Methven Rugby Club  
2018 Year 7 Tour to Goondiwindi**

Registrations to Denise King by FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup> OCT

0273278511 3029002

grant.deniseking@actrix.co.nz

Methven Golf Club

Shot Gun Start 12 pm  
Registrations 11:30

Teams of Four  
\$25 per player

Complementary  
Sausage and  
Afternoon tea

Bring your cash for  
raffles and auction



## hit play HitPlay Allenton

110 Harrison Street - Allenton Primary School Hall

## School Holiday Programme

Standard Day 8:00am - 6:00pm \$45.00

School Day 8:00am - 3:00pm \$38.50

Afternoon 12:00pm - 6:00pm \$35.00

WINZ OSCAR Subsidy available

Trip's online from 22nd October

**Emoji Day**  
Mon  
02  
Oct

Express yourself with funky emoji! Enjoy crafts, games, baking and relax with your friend to watch a movie. #happyface #besttimeever

**Slime Slime Slime**  
Tue  
03  
Oct

Slime day is back! Get busy customising your own slime and enjoy experimenting with textures, glitter, beads, colour mixing and more...

**Let's Create**  
Wed  
04  
Oct

It's time to be creative. Bring your imagination for this one and try your hand at a wide variety of activities.

**Bake Off**  
Thu  
05  
Oct

Are you HitPlay's Junior Baker? Be apart of a fun day in the kitchen, completing challenges and working as a team!

**Monster Bash**  
Fri  
06  
Oct

Wicked fun with all things slimy, gooey and gross! Get dressed up and come join the fun!

**Jungle Fun**  
Mon  
09  
Oct

Bring out your inner Jane or Tarzan with Jungle inspired activities, games and challenges... Come get in to monkey trouble with us!

**Let it Grow**  
Tue  
10  
Oct

It's spring so let's get green and create wonderful living garden creations...

**All things tiny**  
Wed  
11  
Oct

Love tiny things. Create your own world of wonder from houses, furniture, lights, food & more. This is a big day full of craft & creativity!

**Lego Day**  
Thu  
12  
Oct

All things Lego, get creative and free build, join in the challenges and become a Hit Play Lego Master, there is baking, craft and more...

**Let's Party**  
Fri  
13  
Oct

Time to have a party... Dress up as your favourite movie character and come enjoy the fun and games... Sing, dance, play and have FUN!

**Juniors 5 to 9 years**

Come join us at HitPlay - Allenton for the October School Holidays, our team can't wait to see you!

For more information: call 03 423 2270 Or 021 222 7770 or email [info@hitplay.co.nz](mailto:info@hitplay.co.nz)

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**Slime Slime Slime**  
 Tue 03 Oct




Slime day is back! Get busy customising your own slime and creating slime squishie. The cutest plush toy that squirts slime & so much fun!

**Let's Create**  
 Wed 04 Oct



Cardboard pinball machines, drink dispenser, gumball machine and more... Pick your project or create your own! This is a full day work shop.

**Bake Off**  
 Thu 05 Oct



Are you HitPlay's Junior Baker? Be apart of a fun day in the kitchen, completing challenges and working as a team! PRIZE PACK to be won

**Ghosts & Ghouls**  
 Fri 06 Oct



Wicked fun with all things spooky, slimy, gooey and gross! Make your own monster plushie or monster squishy with slime.

**Monkey Business**  
 Mon 09 Oct




SEE NO EVIL, HEAR NO EVIL, SPEAK NO EVIL  
 Monkeys have run a muck at Hit Play HQ & we need of some help. Enjoy making frozen fruit pops & your own sock monkey along the way!

**Let it Grow**  
 Tue 10 Oct



It's spring so let's get green & create wonderful living garden creations. Seed bombs, pot heads & more... Old clothes are a MUST today!

**All things tiny**  
 Wed 11 Oct



Love tiny things. Create a world on a tiny scale. Bring to life your creations. There is even some mini kitchens being built!

**Lego Day**  
 Thu 12 Oct



All things Lego, get creative and free build, join in the challenges and become a Hit Play Lego Master, there is baking, craft and more...

**Let's Party**  
 Fri 13 Oct



It's the end of the holidays and what better time to have a party... come enjoy the fun and games... Sing, dance, play and have FUN!

### Senior 10 to 13 years

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