

## 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Thank you everyone for helping our first term to flow smoothly.

Highlights for me this term have been the happy faces as we enjoy our new working spaces and furnishings.

The term has had several opportunities for our students to shine, with plenty of sport, drama, music and creative playground games that challenge the body and mind.

The annual concept of Sustainability is well underway in classrooms, and auditions for our major production of Peter Pan are nearly completed.

Some key dates for next term are below and an Upcoming Events calendar is available on our website (also included in with the reports)

*Enjoy your autumn break. Christian.*

**TERM 1 REPORTS** - These will come home with your child today (13<sup>th</sup> April). A few are being posted as well.

### HUXSTER MOUNTAIN BIKE RELAY

The Huxter mountain bike relay was held on 4<sup>th</sup> April at McLeans Island. A big thanks you to John who arranged this for the students and to the parents who helped with transport on the day. Archie said, "It was great, I'd definitely do it again. The weather was sunny and hot." Nate said, "it was surprising I came 5<sup>th</sup>, it was hard. I saw a few crashes and almost crashed myself!"

**FOUND** Navy polyester blanket left at the **Huxster Relay**. Please enquire at the office. Pic: year 5-6 team.



### LITTLE RIVER ANZAC SERVICE – 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 9AM.

The choir have been invited to lead the New Zealand and Australian National Anthems at the ANZAC day Memorial service. Can we please meet at 8.45am outside the community centre ready to start at 9am.

Any queries please contact Tracey 027 5656 553

### KEY DATES FOR TERM 2:

- **Start of term** – 30<sup>th</sup> April.
- **Education Review Office** visits 14-16<sup>th</sup> May.
- **Parent Interviews** – Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> May – note early finish both days at 2pm for interviews and late night is Wednesday. A booking link will go out week 1 of Term 2 – keep an eye on your emails.
- **LRS Production of *Peter Pan*** – keep these dates free – 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> June.

### LITTLE RIVER GYMNASTICS

This will be running on Saturdays for Terms 2 and 3. Classes are held at the Little River Community Centre Hall. Term 2 days will begin on May 12<sup>th</sup> and Term 3 on July 28<sup>th</sup>. Classes are divided into 3 age groups:

Preschool 2-4years: 9-9:45am Primary A 5-6 years 10-10.45am

Primary B 7-9 years 11-11.45am

Places can be limited so please email:

[littlevergymnastics@gmail.com](mailto:littlevergymnastics@gmail.com) with your child's name and age if interested in booking a place. We will be in touch after when we have confirmed numbers etc.

### YEAR 5/6 & 7/8 BASKETBALL

Basketball is starting up for Terms 2 & 3 with a '**give-it-a-go**' session led by Bizz & Pam on the last day of term - **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 3.15-4.15pm** at the Little River Hall.

Tournament start date is Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May, based mainly at Lincoln. Practice days will be Tuesdays at the Little River Hall, 3.15-4.15pm.

Come along, sneak a peek, have a go and get further information! Contact: Serena on 021 329241, [serenalyc@gmail.com](mailto:serenalyc@gmail.com)

### Come and join our HILARIOUS MARRZIPAN HOLIDAY WORKSHOP!

Students will devise their own play from scratch, create characters, direct each other, design the set, bring in costumes and get to perform to family and friends at the end of the final day! All workshops run 10am - 4pm.

Redwood School - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April.

Past workshops have been a great hit! As well as having fun, the children develop confidence and public speaking ability, in a fun, relaxed environment. For more information check out our website! Spaces are limited to 16 per group so get in quick!

W: [marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://marrzipandrama.co.nz) E: [workshops@marrzipandrama.co.nz](mailto:workshops@marrzipandrama.co.nz) T: 027 217 0693

### PUMPKIN HARVEST

Last year, the year 6s walked down to one of Pete Wright's paddocks to plant around 100 pumpkin seedlings. A year later on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> April the now year 7s went back to Pete's paddock to harvest the pumpkins and surprisingly we got over 100 pumpkins. A big thanks you to Mrs Cameron and Pete Wright for making this happen!



### FRESHWATER FISH ACTIVITY DAY - April 20, 2018.

Whilst not a KCC led event, we will be helping in the activity tent.

We will be showing those interested how to repurpose an old t-shirt into a reusable bag! We will have some old t-shirts to use, but if you have any old t-shirts at home, you may want to bring them along. Why use a plastic bag when you have your own purpose made bag for your shopping!

Where: Margaret Mahy Playground, Christchurch, 10am -2pm. Free Event! No need to register.

The event is to celebrate World Fish Migration Day, a global event to learn about the importance of open rivers and migratory fish. Lots of Freshwater fish experts will be on hand to show you some of our fabulous freshwater fish, what is special about them, and how they need to move within our rivers, and to and from the sea!

There will be lots of games and activities for all – come on down to the playground and join in the fun.

[www.worldfishmigrationday.com/events/1221/our-fabulous-freshwater-fish-](http://www.worldfishmigrationday.com/events/1221/our-fabulous-freshwater-fish-) If you have any questions, please send us an email.

### PUMPKIN FEST INFO

The **roster** is coming home with the school reports today! The Support Group really appreciates your help ☺.

**Slow cookers/Crockpots** are required on the day to keep the soup warm. If you can spare one (and name it) please bring it down on the Saturday afternoon to the clubrooms. Pumpkin pies can also be brought down on the day – please ensure your dish is also NAMED.

**Sweets stall assistance** – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April, 11 am at the Community Centre. If you can help bag sweets, make kebabs, any help would be appreciated, even if it were only for an hour. Lyn will be onion chopping too, so you are welcome to help her!

**Kapa haka Performance** – Meet at the Rugby Clubrooms with Keiana and Tom at 12.50 pm on the day. Please wear your school polo shirt to perform in. PERFORMANCE AT 1 PM. Any queries, please contact Mrs Couper before the day. Mrs Wright is managing the group on Pumpkin Festival day.

**Choir & ukulele group** to meet at the pumpkin festival at 12.50pm. With their school T-shirt and ukulele ready to perform after the kappa haka group.

### ST MARGARET'S COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Friday 11 May 2018, 10:30am to 1:00pm. Principal's Address: 11:45am featuring current principal, Gillian Simpson, and incoming principal, Diana Patchett.

For those looking at boarding options, we have an SMC Boarders' Sleepover on Friday 11 May at 4:30pm to 10:00am on Saturday 12 May. Pre-registration for this is required by emailing [lizzie.d@stmargarets.school.nz](mailto:lizzie.d@stmargarets.school.nz)

<http://www.littleriver.school.nz>



# Little River School NEWSLETTER

Congrats to the winners of the scarecrow competition:

1<sup>st</sup> – Chef Bob

2<sup>nd</sup> – Gorgeous Gussy

3<sup>rd</sup> – The Cheshire cat

