

# LRS NEWS

## Little River School Newsletter

**Little River GIANT  
PUMPKIN FESTIVAL**  
**Sunday 18th April 2021**  
**10.30am - 3pm**  
At the Little River Domain

### POOL KEYS

The pool has now closed for the season. Please return your key to the school office for your \$20 bond refund. Our thanks to Dan for running the pool this season.

**LOST PROPERTY IS  
OVERFLOWING**  
**please check this out.**  
**It is outside the library.**

### Little River Drama Club

Please refer to the separate email sent out on Wednesday on behalf of a new resident (Luanne Gordon) who is keen to get a club going, depending on feedback.

Dear Parents / Caregivers

### House Challenge – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Fashion Show Challenge.

Next Tuesday pupils are asked to come dressed in their house colours and year group theme.

House points will be awarded to the best costume overall, best house colour costume and best fashion show strut.

Points for each house will be totalled to find the winning House.

### House Colours are new for 2021.

<b>Tui</b> <b>Lead by Zara</b>	<b>Kereru</b> <b>Lead by Max</b>
<b>Kiwi</b> <b>Lead by Hamuera</b>	<b>Kea</b> <b>Lead by Isabella</b>

### Year Group Themes.

Yr1 <b>Crazy/Silly</b>	Yr2 <b>Monsters</b>	Yr3 <b>Royals</b>	Yr4 <b>Jungle animals</b>
Yr5 <b>Farmers</b>	Yr6 <b>Inanimate objects</b>	Yr7 <b>Posh</b>	Yr8 <b>Elderly</b>

***Library Books - can all library books issued please be returned to school by the end of the term.***

**TERM DATES 2021****Term 1**

Mon 9th Feb – Fri 16th April

**Term 2**

Monday 3rd May – Friday 9th July

**Term 3**

Mon 26th July – Fri 1st October

**Term 4**

Mon 18th Oct – Mon 20th December

**Pumpkin soup  
making day****Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April at the  
Clubrooms from 9am.**

Please bring a chopping board and knife. Morning tea provided. Many hands make light work! Pumpkin pulp will also be given to families to make into pies, to bring along on Sunday 18th.

**TOTS TO TEENS  
digi-magazine school  
community's link to the  
latest issue is**

[issue2104si.totstoteens.co.nz](https://www.totstoteens.co.nz/issue2104si)

**Life Education 2021.**

We have been fortunate to have our annual visit from Harold and Keri over the past two weeks.

Life Education provides a scheduled opportunity for us to focus specifically on health and well being topics with a trained specialist teacher and a very wise giraffe. The mobile classroom is well set up with resources and class teachers follow up the learning with additional work in their classes.

The Life Ed visit is one area your family donation helps pay for. Thank you ☺

<https://www.lifeeducation.org.nz/who-we-are>

*During their sessions the classes have been learning about:*

Kanuka	being a good friend
Ti Kouka	What is the importance of kindness?
Matai	How can our feelings influence the way we act?
Totara & Kahikatea	How do we change as we get older? How do we deal with change?

**Congratulations Skye!**

On Thursday Skye represented the Lincoln Zone and LRS at the Canterbury Zone Swimming competition. We're very proud of Skye for stepping up to this high level in his first year of zone competition.

I was nervous but very excited, my mum went with me because I didn't know anyone. I got 2nd in the 60m freestyle at Lincoln Zone Swimming in Southbridge, then I went on to represent LRS at the Canterbury Schools' Swimming Champs at Rolleston Pool. I came 2nd in my heat 50m freestyle and overall I placed 24th out of 56. It was fun and I went in the spa afterwards.  
**Skye.**

**Basketball - Years 5-8**

It's Basketball time again and this year we are holding practices on **Thursdays at the Hall - 3.00-4.15pm.** Tournament games will be on Mondays at Rolleston. Several kids have already expressed interest so please talk to your child about this and come along and give it a go! Danny Bulman & Giles Foley have extended our Coaching crew this year and we welcome Turi McFarlane & Cam Gordon to LRS Basketball!!! Contact Serena on [serenalyc@gmail.com](mailto:serenalyc@gmail.com) or 021-329241 for more information.

## Reminders:

**\*Bus** - please let Marie know if your child won't be on the bus on a morning. For afternoon changes, please contact school.

**\*Please use the safer back gate entrance** for dropping off your children at school. Take care when exiting car parks, especially reversing.

**\*No sick people should be at school.** We're at Covid Level 1 and also experiencing the usual end of term/start of autumn colds and sore throats that circulate easily in schools.

**\*Absence messages** - please contact us, prior to 9am if your child/ren will be away and the reason for that absence - an appointment in town is not a sufficient reason. Phone 3251-004, email [office@littleriverschool.nz](mailto:office@littleriverschool.nz), or even easier, via the skool loop app.

*For holidays in term time* - please ask Christian in the first instance  
[principal@littleriver.school.nz](mailto:principal@littleriver.school.nz)

**\*Parent Interviews** are coming up in the third week of next term, Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May. Wednesday will be the late night option.

**\*Our school uniform is the blue polo and any form of black bottoms** (shorts, pants, skirt, skort) the fleece is optional. Please contact our office for details about purchasing uniform. We currently have no stock of the size 6&12 polos. **\*\*Long hair should be tied up please.**

**\*Changes to family details** - i.e. phone numbers/address/emergency contacts - please advise us of your updated details, should these change.

## White Elephant Stall - Pumpkin Festival

Do you have items you can donate? Household goods, tools, books, toys etc. Anything appreciated as long as it's in good working order. No rubbish please.

Donations can be dropped off to the Arts classroom. This is the last class room, closest to the older kids playground and chicken coop.

If you can't get to the school to drop off your items then call Sarah on 021 0813 3911.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**The Akaroa Community Arts Council** is running a children's art workshop "Easel-ly Arty" on the 29th and 30th of April. A tutored kids workshop. For more info call 021 527 184 or visit [www.akaroaarts.co.nz](http://www.akaroaarts.co.nz)

### Holiday activities

Imagination Station will be running heaps of classes these holidays at Tūranga and New Brighton Libraries! We'll have sessions that cover remote controlled race cars, introductory robotics and robot battles and our famous LEGO movie making workshops! If you're interested, find more info and reserve your space at [imagination-station.org.nz](http://imagination-station.org.nz) or give us a call on 027 438 2106.

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