



Longbeach School

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Everyone Reaching for the Stars

What's coming up.....

Term 1

Week 7 Wednesday 15th March
- Technology Year 7/8

Week 8 Wednesday 22nd March
- Technology Year 7/8

Friday 24th March
- Newsletter
- Home & School Fun Day! 3.15pm

Week 9 Wednesday 29th March
- Technology Year 7/8
- BOT Meeting 6.00pm

Week 10 Wednesday 5th April
- Technology Year 7/8

Thursday 6th April
- Newsletter
- Last day of Term 1!

Welcome



Ben McKerchar, Noah George & Sadie Bonnington

Welcome to all of our latest new entrants!
We hope you all enjoy your time with us and share
our passion for learning!
Happy school days to you all!!

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 24th April - School Closed
Tuesday 25th April - Anzac Day holiday
Sunday 14th May - Mothers Day
Monday 5th June - Kings Birthday holiday
Friday 16th June - Quiz Night—Stewart Island
Fundraiser
Sunday 3rd September - Fathers Day
Monday 4th - Wednesday 6th September—Year 5/6
Camp to Living Springs
Monday 23rd October - Labour Day holiday
Monday 30th October - Country Day
Tuesday 31st October - Wednesday 1st November
School Photos
Friday 17th November - Christchurch Anniversary Day
Monday 27th November - Friday 1st December
Year 7/8 Camp to Stewart Island

Year 7/8 Stewart Island Camp



PEA STRAW BALES FOR SALE



Longbeach School students are beginning
their fundraising for their Stewart Island
Camp in November.

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\$7 per bale - pick up
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Medium Bales

\$50 per bale - pick up only

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2023 TERM DATES

Term 1 Monday 30th January—Thursday 6th April
Term 2 Monday 24th April—Friday 30th June
Term 3 Monday 17th July—Friday 22nd September
Term 4 Monday 9th October—TBC

From The Principal ...

Kia Ora,

We have had another fantastic couple of weeks at Longbeach School and we ticked off a few significant events. Congratulations to all those who took part in our Cluster Swimmings Sports. Seeing all the swimmers in action was fabulous; all were doing exceptionally well. Several of our students then went onto the Counties Swimming event this week. And again, they swam very well, and a few of them placed and will go on to the Primary Swimming Championships.

Attendance

Going to school is critical for our children's futures. The evidence is clear that every day of school matters and missing school leads to lower achievement. In Aotearoa, New Zealand, learners are expected to attend school every day the school is open – yet many don't. Our attendance rates are falling and are worse than in other comparable countries. In 2022 New Zealand primary school regular attendance dropped to 42 per cent.

What do we mean by 'regular attendance'?

'Regular attendance' is when a learner misses less than a week of school a term.' Non-regular attendance' is when learners miss a week or more of school in a term. **A day here and there adds up to a lot.** Learners who miss a **week** of school each term will have missed out on a **year** of schooling by the time they are 16.

Longbeach School has two-thirds of students with regular attendance and one-third with non-regular attendance. And the primary reason for this is; students are absent because they are taking a day off or on holiday during school time.

We would like to see 90% of students attending regularly; present more than 90% of the time. This way, the students are given the best chance to achieve highly.

Anti-social behaviour

Recently we have experienced some unwanted attention. We have had to pick up broken glass, collect empty cans and bottles, repair signs and retrieve balls and cones. Longbeach School has been untroubled for a long time and is a place for everyone to enjoy. It is a shame a few people are choosing to spoil it for the majority. As a result, we have begun looking at installing security cameras. In the meantime, if you see someone acting inappropriately, please let us know.

Neil Simons

Longbeach Playcentre Open Week is on next week!

Pop on down on either Tuesday 14th or Friday 17th (or both!), anytime between 9am-12pm to see what it's all about.

There'll be fun activities for the wee ones & cuppas and chats for parents/grandparents (everyone is welcome!).
Morning tea provided.

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Where whānau and tamariki play, learn and grow together. Come and visit us for our Playcentre Open Week.

Join us at Longbeach Playcentre, Boundary Road (next to Longbeach School)

Open Days: Tuesday 14th March & Friday 17th March, 9am - 12pm

LB Stars/Academic Awards...

LB STARS/ACADEMIC AWARD— Term 1 — Week 5

	LB Star	Academic Award
Room Willowby	Georgia Haugh	Kellen Kingston - For trying your best at swimming lessons at EA networks!
Room Ashton	Arthur Everest	Scarlett Gill - For using her problem solving skills in her basic facts.
Room Waterton	Ruby Kingsbury	Chhiring Sherpa - For your great focus during our writing last week, explaining the different safety aspects of riding a bike.
Room Eiffelton	Hilary Fitzgibbons	Zoe Clucas - For the wonderful start to 2023. You have been so focused during diary writing time to get your ideas down.
Room Flemington	Harper Stoddart	Hunter Anderson - For your outstanding effort you have been putting into your reading and writing. Thanks for sharing all your knowledge on WW1 during our reading sessions.
Room Huntingdon	Asha Clarke	Andre Vannini - For making strong connections to our depth and complexity tools in several learning areas.



Georgia



Arthur



Ruby



Hilary



Harper



Asha

LB STARS/ACADEMIC AWARD— Term 1 — Week 6

	LB Star	Academic Award
Room Willowby	Fergus Stoddart	Annabel George - For trying your best to use known sounds in writing!
Room Ashton	None this week	None this week
Room Waterton	Max McCarthy	Summer Stoddart - For your focus and independence during our reading rotations.
Room Eiffelton	Flynn Lovett	Lucas Smith - For the awesome focused start you have made to Prime Maths
Room Flemington	Brooke Edmond	Grace Gill - For amazing maths skills. Grace it is so great to see you enthusiasm when learning new strategies and you creating your own questions to show your understanding.
Room Huntingdon	Fergus Durham	Grace Harrison-Hastie - For constructing detailed alliteration for her poetry writing.



Fergus



Max



Flynn



Brooke



Fergus



6—C's Awards



Presented at assembly on 3rd March

	<i>Piwakawaka</i>	<i>Kahu</i>
<i>Citizenship</i>	Mya Meadows - For going out of her way to support her classmates and being interested in the well being of others.	Rose McKay - For displaying excellent leadership within and out of our school community. You have been an excellent role model to those within our classroom and around the school.
<i>Character</i>	Fraser Bell - For being a responsible and kind member of Room Willowby.	Ollie Haugh - for taking responsibility for his learning, asking questions if he is unsure and following instructions carefully.
<i>Collaboration</i>	Harry Shera - For developing confidence in sharing his ideas within a group or whole-class discussion.	Keegan Durham -For being able to communicate clearly, actively listen and being inclusive in group tasks.
<i>Critical Thinking</i>	Issy Mosley - for being a focussed learner and applying her new skills to work independently.	Cameron MacDonald -for thinking outside the box, to solve problems and thinking practically in all areas of his learning.
<i>Communication</i>	Heidi Fitzgibbon - for being confident to convey your ideas, opinions and feelings within all classroom settings.	Zahliah Edwards - She clearly shares her ideas and has been willing to teach the new students to our class the classroom routines. She is a fantastic role model to the Year 4 students.
<i>Creativity</i>	Hamish Lovett - for his dedication towards creating a well executed piece of artwork depicting himself.	Braxton Stoddart - For showcasing imaginative design through his abstract name art and thinking of multiple concepts to solving a problem.

Room Flemington...

OUR WONDER PORTRAIT



This term our class novel is Wonder. As we read through “Wonder” we are learning that Auggie is not like any other child; but like all of us he is unique.



Like all of us on our first day of school Auggie had ‘first day jitters’. To prepare him for school we gave him some advice

Advice to Auggie on his first day...

- Say hello to people, so you can make new friends- *Beau*
- Keep away from Julian, he will only bring you down- *Jack*
- Go and talk to people, look at them in the eye- *Cameron*
- Be yourself- *Harper*
- Don't be disheartened if people don't come up and talk, it's just day one- *Brooke*
- Be as nice as possible- *Sophie*
- Take all the opportunities you can- *Elise*
- Don't push your limits- *Flynn*
- Smile! -*Hunter T*
- Talk to people, let them get to know you- *Nixon*
- Try to make a range of friends, don't rely on Jack Will- *Hannah*
- Go to the science lab and find people that are interested in science like you- *Hunter A*
- Don't let their words get to you- *Dakota*
- Don't yell at people if they are being mean- *Sammy*
- Have faith in yourself- *Annabelle*
- If you come across people that are trying to be nice, but aren't just walk away- *Rowan*
- Don't let people put you down and let them ruin your first day, enjoy school and your first day- *BB*

Senior Swimming Sports Results...

Well done to all of our students who took part in the Senior Southern Cluster Swimming Sports held at the Ashburton EA Networks Pool on Thursday 23rd February. The following students were placed.

YEAR 5 GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE

2nd Faye Blom

YEAR 5 BOYS 50M FREESTYLE

3rd Jack Rickard

YEAR 6 GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE

1st Brooke Edmond
2nd Sammy Wood
3rd Hazel Rickard

YEAR 6 BOYS 50M FREESTYLE

3rd Flynn Hill

YEAR 7 BOYS 50M FREESTYLE

3rd Henry Pottinger

YEAR 8 GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE

2nd Rose McKay

YEAR 5 GIRLS 50M BREASTROKE

2nd Faye Blom

YEAR 5 BOYS 50M BREASTROKE

2nd Jack Rickard

YEAR 6 GIRLS 50M BREASTROKE

1st Brooke Edmond
2nd Hazel Rickard
3rd Elise Gill

YEAR 7 BOYS 50M BREASTROKE

3rd Henry Pottinger

YEAR 8 GIRLS 50M BREASTROKE

2nd Rose McKay

YEAR 5 BOYS 50M BACKSTROKE

2nd Jack Rickard

YEAR 6 GIRLS 50M BACKSTROKE

1st Brooke Edmond
2nd Hazel Rickard
3rd Sophie Bartlett

YEAR 6 BOYS 50M BACKSTROKE

3rd Flynn Hill

YEAR 7 BOYS 50M BACKSTROKE

2nd Henry Pottinger
3rd Hunter Illingworth

YEAR 8 GIRLS 50M BACKSTROKE

1st Rose McKay

MIXED RELAY YEAR 5 25X4

2nd Longbeach

MIXED RELAY YEAR 6 25X4

1st Longbeach

MIXED RELAY YEAR 7 25X4

1st Longbeach

MIXED RELAY YEAR 8 25X4

2nd Longbeach



YEAR 5 GIRLS 25M FREESTYLE

2nd Beatrice Pottinger
3rd Zahliah Edwards

YEAR 5 BOYS 25M FREESTYLE

2nd Kase Stoddart
3rd Hunter Anderson

YEAR 7 GIRLS 25M FREESTYLE

2nd Asha Clarke
3rd Billie Langford

YEAR 7 BOYS 25M FREESTYLE

1st George Lash
2nd Fergus Durham
3rd Edward White

YEAR 8 GIRLS 25M FREESTYLE

2nd Grace Harrison-Hastie

YEAR 8 BOYS 25M FREESTYLE

1st Cooper Irving
2nd Benji Skevington

YEAR 5 GIRLS 25M BREASTROKE

1st Beatrice Pottinger

YEAR 6 GIRLS 25M BREASTROKE

3rd Brydie Woods

YEAR 7 BOYS 25M BREASTROKE

2nd Fergus Durham
3rd Edward White

YEAR 5 GIRLS 25M BACKSTROKE

1st Emma Molloy
2nd Harper Jansen
3rd Zahliah Edwards

YEAR 5 BOYS 25M BACKSTROKE

2nd Kase Stoddart

YEAR 6 GIRLS 25M BACKSTROKE

2nd Violet McKay

YEAR 7 GIRLS 25M BACKSTROKE

3rd Asha Clarke

YEAR 7 BOYS 25M BACKSTROKE

3rd George Lash

YEAR 8 BOYS 25M BACKSTROKE

1st Cooper Irving
2nd Benji Skevington

OPEN BUTTERFLY

1st Brooke Edmond

Counties Swimming results/Community Notices...

COUNTIES SWIMMING RESULTS



YEAR 7 MIXED RELAY TEAM 50X4

3rd Sophie Bartlett, Sammy Wood, Henry Pottinger & Braxton Stoddart

YEAR 6 MIXED RELAY TEAM 50X4

1st Hazel Rickard, Brooke Edmond, Fynn Hill & Carter Smith

YEAR 6 GIRLS 50M FREESTYLE

3rd Brooke Edmond

YEAR 6 GIRLS 50M BREASTSTROKE

1st Brooke Edmond

YEAR 5 BOYS 50M BREASTSTROKE

1st Jack Rickard

YEAR 6 GIRLS 50M BACKSTROKE

2nd Brooke Edmond

YEAR 5 BOYS 50M BACKSTROKE

2nd Jack Rickard

Congratulations!

to these two students who have qualified at the Counties swimming to go onto the Primary Swimming Championships to be held in Christchurch at the Selwyn Aquatic Centre on 31st March!



Brooke Edmond

Breaststroke & Backstroke



Jack Rickard

Breaststroke & Backstroke

Well done to you both! and we look forward to hearing how you get on.



SOUTHERN JAB MUSTER DAY
SUNDAY 26TH MARCH
HINDS DOMAIN

REGISTER
FROM
9.30AM

Skill sessions to run as follows:

10:00AM - Under 6-7

10:45AM - Under 8-9

11:30AM - Under 10-12

12:30PM - Under 13 and above

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