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Longbeach School

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# Welcome

## Dates to Remember

### Term 1

#### Week 4: 18th-22nd February

Monday 18th	Monday-Friday—Bike Wise Week
Tuesday 19th	School Triathlon
Wednesday 20th	Subway Year 7/8 Rural Schools swim at EA Networks
Thursday 21st	Technology Year 7/8 County Triathlon

#### Week 5: 18th-25th February— 1st March

Thursday 28th	Technology Year 7/8
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#### Week 6: 4th-8th March

Tuesday 5th	County Swimming Sports
Wednesday 6th	Subway
Thursday 7th	Technology Year 7/8

#### Week 7: 11th-15th March

Thursday 14th	Technology Year 7/8 Newsletter
Friday 15th	School Closed Teacher Only Day!



Back row: Dakota, Emma & Ryan  
Front row: Harper, Liam & Zoe  
Absent: Jacob Williams

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

### 2019 TERM DATES

Term 1	Monday 28th January—Friday 12th April
Term 2	Monday 29th April—Friday 5th July
Term 3	Monday 22nd July—Friday 27th September
Term 4	Monday 14th October—TBC

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### Cyclists on the road

With bike wise week coming up next week and our annual Triathlon it is a great time to remind our school and community about **bike safety**. Please keep an eye out for any students on the road that may bike to school.

### School Triathlon Tuesday 19th

We will once again be holding our annual school triathlon on this date and will have children biking/running on the road this day from 11.00am-1.00pm. Please take care when passing them on the road. **Thanks for your consideration in this matter.**

### 2019 IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 15th March	- Teacher only day
Friday 31st May	- School Closed Queens Birthday Weekend
Monday 3rd June	- Queens Birthday Holiday
Wednesday 4th September-Friday 6th September	- Year 5/6 Camp at Living Springs
Monday 28th October	- Labour Day Holiday
Wednesday 30th October & Thursday 31st October	- School Photos
Friday 15th November	- Canterbury Anniversary Day
Monday 25th November—Friday 29th November	- Year 7/8 Camp to Stewart Island

# From The Principal...

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Kia Ora

Welcome back to another year at Longbeach School. This year promises to be another year full of exciting and challenging learning.

We welcome our newest teachers Miss Anna Bisgrove, Miss Rennae Taylor and Mrs Michelle O'Connell. It has been great seeing our new staff settle into Longbeach School and make an excellent start to the year.

We have spent the last few weeks reviewing our practice and programmes and have made some small changes as we continually strive to improve. We have continued to refine our assessment systems following on from the removal of National Standards. Refinement in terms of the development and implementation of sets of learning goals for writing and mathematics. We plan to have students using these learning goals and using an electronic portfolio assess these learning goals as part of everyday classroom practice. Then these learning goals will be available to parents to see.

Again we started the year off with 3-Way-Conferences. These were a huge success as the students and parents were able to come in and discuss 2019 learning right from the start. We were able to refer to the previous year's report, address any concerns and then set goals. The students enjoyed coming in and seeing where they were sitting and getting a feel for the new year ahead and any other changes (for some students this was very reassuring). The teachers said they enjoyed meeting all the parents and discussing the year ahead. Also, they said that the first full day of learning was very settled and the students were more prepared to start when compared to years without the 3-Way-Conference at the start of the year.

**Buses**— We are happy to work with you when you require a change in the bus routine, but all changes must go through the school office please so they can be recorded in the bus book. Please endeavour to inform the school before 2.30pm on the day of the change—thanks.

**Complaints** - Included in this newsletter are two inserts. The first one is a message from our board of trustees and the second is our Compliments, Concerns and Complaints Procedure.

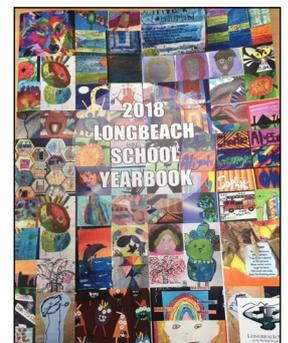
**Teacher Only Day** - The 15th of March 2019 is a teacher only day, Longbeach School will be closed to students as the teachers are undertaking professional development

**Uniform** - It is fantastic to see the majority of our students wearing our uniform so proudly. Please ensure the students are wearing the correct uniform from head to toe - thanks. Also, please remember it is compulsory for all children to wear their sunhats when outside in Terms 1 and 4. Students may wear a navy wide brim hat or a navy bucket hat. This practice is in line with our Sun Safe School accreditation.

*Neil Simons*

A **HUGE** thank you to **Anna Jemmett and her team** for creating another amazing **school yearbook for 2018**. You have done an absolutely outstanding job and we know that these books will be treasured for years to come. We know that this isn't an easy task managing teachers and children alike, but we are truly grateful for all your time and effort that you have put into making this piece of history for our school and community. Thank you again,  
Longbeach School Staff

We still have just a few copies left if anyone else would like to purchase a copy. Call into the school office the cost is \$15.00 each.



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# from The Board...

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## Longbeach School Board of Trustees

### Message to the Community

Happy New Year and welcome back to another busy start to the school year. We trust that you had an enjoyable summer break with family and friends. We thought it was fitting given it is a new year to put together a quick message about who we are and what we do for the school.

The Longbeach School Board of Trustees is made up of 5 Parent Electives, the Principal and the staff rep. The parent electives are; Jason Vaninni (Board Chairperson), Karen Burrowes, Lyall Jemmett, Sonia Etheridge and Toni Durham. The staff rep is Kate Gallagher.

The board of trustees is a crown entity and is responsible for the governance of this school. The main responsibility of the board is the future of the school and improving student achievement. At Longbeach School, the board of trustees is responsible for board-level overarching policies and sub-policies.

As the Board of Trustees we are committed to working constructively together and in partnership with the principal to make sure that all of our students are receiving a high quality education that will prepare them to survive and thrive in the world by the time they leave school.

At the same time, the board governs on behalf of all stakeholders to ensure that Longbeach School reflects the community of which it is apart of. As you can imagine, there are times when this is challenging but we are guided by our primary role which is the future of the school and improving all student's achievement.

In 2018 we sought parental feedback on the strategic direction. We were pleased to find that the direction given by parents supported our current direction, including examples of greater use of technology in the senior classrooms, moving to curriculum assessment based on Key Competencies, buiding the senior playground and more day trips.

We encourage you to review our schools policies and procedures as these form the basis for how the school operates. Currently under review is the Drugs and Harmful Substances Policy. We have initiated a new online portal called School Docs which contains all of our policies, so they are readily accessible for all. Simply follow the steps below:

<http://longbeach.schooldocs.co.nz/Logon.aspx>

**Username:** Longbeach

**Password:** stars

Later this year there will be a call for nominations for anyone wishing to join the Board of Trustees. Once nominations have been received, and if there are more nominations than positions available, then there will be an election in which all parents with students at the school will eligible to vote. If you are interested in finding out more about joining to the Board of Trustees, then please talk to one of us as current members to find out about what is involved and come along to a meeting to see the range of topics covered.

Finally we would like to thank you all for the contribution you make to ensuring we are an awesome school. Without everyone contributing in some way, the vibrancy of our school is greatly compromised. We will be regularly updating you with information from our BOT meetings through the school community newsletter throughout the year. In the meantime enjoy the summer that has finally arrived!

Yours sincerely

Longbeach School Board of Trustees

# Room Huntingdon...



**Technology**



**A visit to the Ashburton Art Gallery to see Ashburton writer and illustrator David**

What a start to the year in Room Huntingdon



**Team Building**



**Swim Week as well as fun in the sun**



**What a year it is going to be!**

# **School Notices..**



## **BIKE WEEK - WEEK 4**

Next week is bike week.

The children are able to have their bikes at school for the week.

These will be stored overnight in the classrooms so that they are safe and secure.

During this week they will take part in various activities based around cycling, bike safety and bike maintenance.

The school Triathlon will be held on Tuesday 19th this year.

Please remember helmets -

**NO HELMET = NO BIKING**



**PPP Needs You!**

**Looking for Volunteers**

At Longbeach School we run the Pause, Prompt Praise reading program, this is taken by parent volunteers. If you are able to read with a group of selected children once a week we would love to hear from you.

Please contact Sarah Lovell on 3026643 or at [sarah.lovell@longbeach.school.nz](mailto:sarah.lovell@longbeach.school.nz) to learn more about PPP.



## **LONGBEACH SCHOOL 2019 NEWSLETTER SPONSORSHIP**

**Please support Longbeach School with sponsorship advertising in our newsletter. It is a great way to support the School community and promote your business.**

It's that time of the year again, where we will shortly be sending out our proposal/renewal letters to our wonderful sponsors.

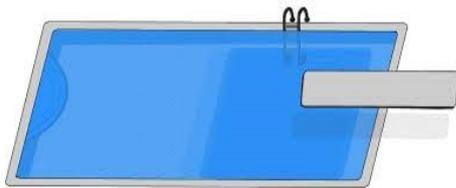
We print a total of 825 newsletters fortnightly, and send them out to all of R.D. 3 and R.D. 4 as well as all our school families and some extra ones via email.

We feel it is important to let the community know what is happening at our school and in the community.

If you don't already advertise on the back page of our newsletter and are keen to do so or would like to know more details please contact either Neil Simons or Debbie in the school office.

*We thank you for your support!!*

# School/Community Notices...



## Willowby Community Pool

It has been great to see so many families enjoying the Willowby Pool over the summer and a big thanks to all the committee who have put in a lot of hours to keep it safe and in great condition for the community to use.

Unfortunately we still have a number of people who need to pay so please if you have not paid yet can you deposit \$80.00 into the Willowby Community Pool account 03 0835 0010338 00 ASAP. If you want to check if you have paid please email me at [jaynepeter645@gmail.com](mailto:jaynepeter645@gmail.com) and I will look into it for you. If any one no longer uses the pool but still has a key in their possession can you please return it to the school office at some stage, there is a cost to getting new keys cut so it would be much appreciated to get some keys returned.

Please check out the lost property bin at the pool if you are missing anything, there is quite a collection building now.

Thank you, Jayne McLaren

The Willowby Community Pool Committee

## YEAR 5/6 CRICKET TOURNAMENT

This week a girls team and a boys team competed in the Mid-Canterbury Trust cricket tournament.

Both teams had a great day; the boys won all but one game against Borough and the girls managed to get a win throughout the day as well.

We would like to say a HUGE thank-you to **Lyall Jemmett** and **Robyne Radick** who helped supervise/coach and umpire our teams.



## BOOST needs volunteer tutors for Longbeach School

Boost (child literacy program) is looking for volunteer tutors for Longbeach school. Two mornings a week for two hours, a great opportunity to help children struggling with literacy.

We start in schools beginning March and are in school during school term until Show weekend. Police check done, plus full training and support. Please contact me Mari Swindley if you think this might be you 027 677 8778 or

email [mari.swindley@gmail.com](mailto:mari.swindley@gmail.com). You can also pop in & see me at the TimeBank office at Community House on Monday, Tuesday or Thursdays from 2-5 to discuss this, thanks.

## Introducing... Lake Hood Pilates



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Wendy Galbraith  
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## Ladybank Learning School of Music

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Due to our Year 7/8's being away at Technology on a Thursday, for Terms 1 & 2 we will be having Subway orders delivered to school on a Wednesday.

Bags will still be sent home on a Friday as usual but orders will now need to be back into the school office before 1.00pm on a Tuesday.

## Lake Hood Day Payments

Due to the Lake Hood Fun Day being cancelled at the end of last year we are going to pay these payments onto your school accounts.

If anyone would like them refunded back to them please let Debbie in the office know and we will arrange to have them refunded directly to you.

Thanks you.

# Community Notices...

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## NETBALL INFO

Trials for Hampstead Netball Club 2019

1<sup>st</sup> Trial date for this years - Year 7 & 8 players is Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30pm at the Hampstead All Sports Grounds on Bridge Street.

**You MUST register online for these trials**

The link is [www.sporty.co.nz/hampsteadnc](http://www.sporty.co.nz/hampsteadnc) - Its really easy - put all your details in including trial positions so we can be organised ready for you all on Wednesday.

Any questions please contact Natalie Bateman on 0272295015



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## LONGBEACH SCHOOL NETBALL

Notices of interest in playing Netball this season went home a couple of weeks ago. you missed out on a form it's not too late, just call into the school office for one.

Both boys and girls are welcome to play.

Any queries contact:

Christy Shepherd on 027 833-2926



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Contact Rebecca Kenny ph 021 2510021 or for further information [www.girlguidingnz.org.nz](http://www.girlguidingnz.org.nz)

## Willowby Volunteer Rural Fire Force

Is the local Fire & Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) unit, based beside the Willowby Hall.

We cover an area from the Ashburton River to Hinds River, from the sea to SH1 and further afield as necessary, we have a new truck & have meetings/practices the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month, other practices are held on odd weekends.

Due to retiring crew members we now require new personnel to join our crew and help out when you can.

Relevant training will be provided as necessary.

We have several vacancies available for:

1. Non-operational personnel (Not on fire ground)
2. Operational personnel (On fire ground)

If you or you know of anyone that is able to volunteer some time (anything considered) and would like to find out more information regarding these roles please contact:

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