



# Longbeach School

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16th November 2017

Longbeach School

Reach for the STARS to be the best we can in all we do.



Our Year 7/8 Cricket Team who took part in the Cricket Tournament held at the Ashburton Domain on Wednesday.

<b>Dates to Remember</b>	
<b>TERM 4</b>	
<b>Week 6: 20th-24th November</b>	
Monday 20th	Technology Year 7/8
Tuesday 21st	Top Team—Yrs 3-8
Thursday 23rd	Subway
Friday 24th	Assembly 2.20pm—Room Ashton
Sunday 26th	Longbeach Coastal Challenge
<b>Week 7: 27th November-1st December</b>	
Tuesday 28th	Year 7/8's leave for camp B.O.T. Meeting 7.00pm
Thursday 30th	Year 4's leave for overnight camp
Friday 1st	Year 7/8's return from camp Year 4's return from overnight camp
<b>Week 8: 4th-8th December</b>	
Monday 4th	Technology Year 7/8
Wednesday 6th	Year 8's leave for Wellington trip
Thursday 7th	Subway Year 8's return from Wellington trip
Friday 8th	Assembly 2.20pm—Room Willowby
<b>Week 9: 11th-15th December</b>	
Tuesday 12th	Prizegiving—to be held at the Tinwald Hall @ 6.30pm
Thursday 14th	Lake Hood Fun Day!
Friday 15th	Last day of Term 4!!!

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## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Just a reminder that all school photo orders are due back to school by Monday 20th November.  
Thanks.



A Big thank you to everyone who supported **Sophies Bake Sale**. She made \$145.50 for the Cancer Society!! Well Done Sophie!!



## 2018 TERM DATES

Term 1	Monday 29th January—Friday 13th April
Term 2	Monday 30th April—Friday 6th July
Term 3	Monday 23rd July—Friday 28th September
Term 4	Monday 15th October—TBA

## 2017 IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday 26th November	- Longbeach Coastal Challenge
Tuesday 28th November	—Friday 1st December
	- Year 7/8 Camp @ Wainui
Tuesday 12th December	- End of year Prizegiving
Thursday 14th December	- Lake Hood Fun Day

# From the Principal...

Kia ora all,

Currently we are sprinting along towards the end of the 2017 School Year. We are well and truly into the final formative assessments and have begun drafting the end of year school reports.

We have begun sorting classes for 2018 using all the knowledge we have about the students. We will be balancing all the students needs whilst fitting everyone into classrooms.

We will be farewelling Mrs Susanne McFarlane who has been successful in being appointed at Carew Peel Forest School. Susanne has been at Longbeach School 3 years and after all this time it will feel strange heading West instead of East as she travels from Geraldine each day. We wish her all the best with her new adventure.

Last week we conducted interviews for a new teacher to replace Mrs Mac. We were pleased with the quality of applicants we received and have made an excellent appointment. Starting in Room Eiffelton in 2018 will Miss Jasmine Collett. Jasmine, who is from Winton, has just graduated from Otago University where she achieved highly. We are looking forward to Jasmine joining our team and helping us to improve the lives of our learners.

## **Prize Giving**

Planning is well underway for our Prize Giving. Following on from the success of last year's prize giving we will be holding our prize giving at the Tinwald Memorial Hall. Longbeach School's Prize Giving is Tuesday 12th of December at 6.30pm.

## **Stationery for 2018**

We will be continuing with selling stationery packs. Packs will be available from the school office from the 22nd of January 2018. Packs will be bundled for each class and will include everything you need.

Paying for the stationery packs will be easy as you can either pay online before pick up or bring cash/cheque into school.

We are making the packs available from the 22nd of January so that those who want to can pick them up earlier in order to cover the books. Otherwise the books can be picked up at 3-Way-Conferences on the 29th of January 2018.

Information will be coming out soon regarding the stationery packs.

## **Longbeach Coastal Challenge 26th November 2017**

Thank you to all those people who have volunteered to help out with this fantastic event and huge fundraiser for Longbeach School. We absolutely rely on this fundraiser in order to provide the support for all the learners at Longbeach School.

## **Lake Hood Day**

Notices will be coming out shortly for to let you know what is happening with this event. We plan to continue with running this day for the students. You will see on the notice that we have several health and safety measures in place to assist with the safe running of this event. We have always had good procedures in place but with new regulations we are now lifting these procedures to a higher level. I hope this doesn't deter anyone as all the procedures are common sense and good practice in order to keep everyone safe.

*Neil Simons*

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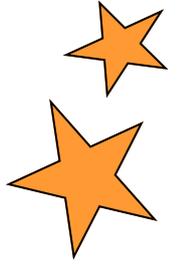
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# Longbeach Stars...



**ROOM WILLOWBY** Dakota



**ROOM ASHTON** Eva & Ryan



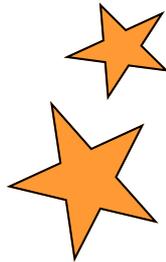
**ROOM WATERTON** Oliver



**ROOM EIFFELTON** Milli & Theo



**ROOM FLEMINGTON** Joe



**ROOM HUNTINGDON** Sophie & Laura

# Academic Awards...

## ACADEMIC AWARDS PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY 10TH NOVEMBER

<b>Room Willowby</b>	Ryan Galbraith	For fantastic effort with his descriptive writing.
<b>Room Ashton</b>	George Lash	For great improvement and effort in Reading.
<b>Room Waterton</b>	Kaleb Arras	For great progress in Reading.
<b>Room Eiffelton</b>	Charlie Williamson-Soper Theo Vannini	For fantastic effort and progress in Reading. For fantastic use of inference in Reading.
<b>Room Flemington</b>	Jett Jansen	For great Reading results.
<b>Room Huntingdon</b>	Zach Parkin	For gaining good results in his IKAN test.



# Room Eiffelton Country Day Stories...

## Country Day 2017

Today was the day, 30th of October my favourite day of the year country day! I love country day because of all the animals and activities.

I woke up early to do some finishing touches on my miniature farm yard.

As we got to school I put the jelly in for the pond, after that I started on my aqua jar.

Now it was time for my second favourite part, the activities! We started of with TUG OF WAR! The girls won the first two rounds then lost, the list goes on with wins and losses. Then my favourite activity the obstacle course! We were in house groups so that was fun. Next was sponge throwing, instead of throwing the sponges at the cones we threw the sponges at the Dads! The boys were soaked! After that we did wheel barrow racing so you had to pour a sack of wheat into the wheel barrow then jump in then someone from your team pushes you through the standards then pour the wheat back into the sack then weave back.

Now put your hands together for my favourite part of all...The Animal Parade!!!! Emma brought Lady our dog, Emma dressed Lady up as a cowgirl, they came second in leading and calling.

For the finale running free with Keeley and Milli her dog, We went into the classroom taking a peek at the other people's creations, and after all the chaos we all packed up and went home and chilled.

By Amy Williams



## Country Day

Yay country day is finally here. The most exciting day of the year!

I had to bring heaps of stuff and get it together to do some flowers and sand for a sand saucer and vegetables for my vegetables animal.

I was not allowed to bring an animal but my dad was there at an activity. I thought I was going to start at his activity but we started at the tug war. It was girls vs boys. The girls won two times but three girls went on the boys side. They won, then three girls went off but those girls sneakily went back on without the boys knowing. My dad's activity was fun it was like ten pin bowling.

The day was exhausting.  
By Abbie Price



## Country Day

Finally it was country day, Monday the 30th of October . I was so excited but we were so late!

The first thing I did was put the flowers in my aqua jar. Then I did my sand saucer. I put my homemade sweet lollie cake and my cupcake on the table. I hope I get a prize.

When the bell rang all the classes went around and looked at other people's items. They were amazing. We all lined up on the court. After that we watched the Agri kids make a fence. It looked quite difficult.

Finally it was Activities time. The activities were; sponge throwing , obstacle course , wheelbarrow race , gumboot throwing and tug of war. The girls won the tug of war!!

The pets that were there were; dogs , horses , lambs , birds , cats and chickens. At the end of the day I felt amazed by how many dogs there were and I felt I got to see lots and lots of cute animals and I was so excited the day was finally here, even though it was over.

By Georgie Prouting



# Room Eiffelton Country Day Stories Cont'd...

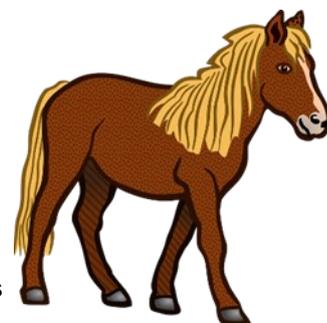


## Country Day

Today was finally country day I pack my things and went to school but I forgot to bring my things that I entered in.

It was okay, because country day was going to be good, i could tell from people's faces. I was right it was fun even better than I expected.

The bell finally rang time to go to the court to start an activity it was a young farmer's activity agrikids and they showed us how to make a gate after that it was morning tea, I was starving, then we got told to start doing the real activities.



My favourite one was the tyre rolling , obstacle course and the sponge throwing because I was soaking wet. Finally it was lunch after the pets came we had a look at the results in the classroom and when I went out again there were more dogs, a calf, horses etc.

It was time to go but we had to clean up first.

By Niel Vicente



# **Room Waterton's favourite Hide Out ...**

One day I had no me time, so I invented a big tree house. I called it a crazy house because it has crazy stuff in it. It has a pin code so I can only get inside. On the inside I have my own bouncing, dancing, partying bed with a haunted laundry house underneath it. Another thing it has is a control room to control everyone. I have a diving board that leads to a swimming pool and then you go down to a slide and get all the way out. It was great that I just saw that I had another secret elevator underground and it can go all the way up to the roof of the treehouse. Now no one can bother me or can they?

By Aliyah Larry

I live in a treehouse but not just an ordinary tree house. It is a treehouse that has a hole for duck shooting, a motorbike track with a puddle and it even has a workshop to make things. It has camo walls and roof and camo vines. It even has a queen sized bed and last but not least you use a Kawasaki 2 stroke 70cc KX65 to get up to the treehouse.

By Quinn Jansen

In my garden there is a yellow door with a hoof print on it. It leads to a ramp for horses to climb. When you start walking up the ramp you can see a washing bay area. It is for the horses when they are dirty. Then above it on both sides you can see horse paddocks and when you get to the top you can see a TV and my bed. If you climb up my bed you can see a ramp. Climb up and you can see lots of surprises. There is a smaller ramp, it leads to the jumping arena. There is another ramp and leads to a stable. At the tippy top there are two swimming pools. There is a ladder to climb up and it leads to another pool. There is a slide that leads to the bottom pool. This is the best treehouse ever!

By Taylor Quaid

As I walked into my room and laid on my bed I fell into a tree! I realised that it was my amazing treehouse. First you have to go through a passage to the skeleton head door with an eye and ear hanging out. As soon as I get in, I see the most handsome statue ever of the amazing George Gordon. I've got the most dangerous two metre air rifle that can shoot targets. I also have an underground hideout too. I've got the best and biggest rocket launcher, the bounciest tramp in the world and the coolest cannon. But before you can do anything you have to do the number and speaking password. That was the best treehouse ever.

By George Gordon

Ouch dirt in my eyes! Hi my name is Edward and I am working on putting furniture in my underground laboratory. So far I have put in my stove, oven, bed, xbox and now I am bang, bang, banging in a danger sign. Wait I still have to put my table, chairs, control for the xbox and couch in. Dinner says Mum. No I say "I'm going to do it myself". One hour later yum, yum that was a delicious tea. Yum, yum!

By Edward Pottinger.

# School Notices/Community Notices ...



Well done to all our students who took part in the Mid Canterbury Schools Athletics Sports (The Counties) held on Friday 3rd November. A great effort was put forward from the following students who have qualified in the following events to compete at the Canterbury Zone Athletics after finishing either 1st or 2nd. Well done and good luck to you all in Christchurch.

Sonny McMillan	11yr Boys	Long Jump and Shot Put
Taylor Lamont	9yr Girls	Long Distance
Laura Winchester	12yr Girls	Long Distance
Penny Smollett	9yr Girls	High Jump
Rose Vannini	11yr Girls	Long Jump
Kamal Larry	10yr Boys	Discus
Rose Vannini, Emily Simons, Isobel Brook and Charlotte Bota-Wilson	11yr Girls	Relay Team



## HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES JANUARY 2018

### SWIM LESSONS

Group and individual lessons are available all three weeks.

**JANUARY**  
8<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup>  
15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>  
22<sup>nd</sup>- 26<sup>th</sup>

Individual lessons are \$40 for 30mins, \$27 for 20mins and \$20 for 15mins

### BREASTSTROKE CLINIC

A workshop for children struggling with the breaststroke goal in any level.

**JANUARY**  
8<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup>  
15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

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### COASTGUARD BOATING

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

**Safe Boating**

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

**JANUARY**  
15<sup>th</sup>- 19<sup>th</sup>

### STARTS AND TURNS

A new workshop for children wanting to learn the correct starts and turns for each stroke.

**JANUARY**  
15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

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The **Willowby Community Pool** will be open for use at Christchurch show weekend. The key price this year will remain the same at \$80.00 for the summer. Existing key holders please deposit your \$80.00 into account number 03 0835 0010338 00 and all new families please email Jayne McLaren at [jaynepeter645@gmail.com](mailto:jaynepeter645@gmail.com) or phone 302-6142 or 021 889-925 and a key will be organised for you. All we need now is some nice warm weather! Thank you.

The Willowby Community Pool Committee

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