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22nd September 2017

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Dates to Remember

TERM 3

Week 10: 25th-29th September

Monday 25th	Technology Year 7/8
Wednesday 27th	Netball in schools Years 3-8
Thursday 28th	Subway
Friday 29th	Assembly 2.20pm Rm Flemington Last day of Term 3!!!

TERM 4

Week 1: 16th-20th October

Monday 16th	First day of Term 4!!!
Friday 20th	Newsletter

Week 2: 23rd-27th October

Monday 23rd	School Closed—Labour Day Holiday
Wednesday 25th	Southern Cluster Athletics @ Hinds School
Thursday 26th	P.P. Southern Cluster Athletics @ Hinds School
Friday 27th	Assembly 2.20pm Rm Eiffelton

Week 3: 30th October-3rd November

Monday 30th	Country Day!
Tuesday 31st	School Photos
Wednesday 1st	School Photos
Friday 3rd	Counties Athletics Newsletter

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Some more Speech Competition results...

Southern Cluster Junior Finals

Year 0-2 Section
1st Lucas Jemmett

Year 3-4
1st Charlie Backhurst
3rd Kate Taylor



Southern Cluster Senior Finals

Year 5-6
2nd Freya Jemmett

Year 7-8
4th Zara Stock

Ashburton Rotary Speech Finals (all of Mid-Canterbury)

Year 5-6
3rd Freya Jemmett



Congratulations to all of the above students on their placings!

Picture of Freya Jemmett receiving her certificate



2017 TERM DATES

Term 3 Monday 24th July—Friday 29th September
Term 4 Monday 16th October—Friday 15th December

2017 IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 23rd October - Labour Day holiday
Tuesday 31st October & Wednesday 1st November - School Photos
Friday 17th November - Christchurch Show Day holiday
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 13th December - Lake Hood Fun Day

From the Principal...

Kia ora all

As the term winds up, is it good to look back on all the great things that have gone on

- Winter Sports Tournament for Years 5-8
- Class, school and cluster speech competitions
- BNZ Closed for Good support for 'spring cleaning' the library
- Visit from Harold in the Life Education Van
- Maths Week- lots of activities, finishing with a hat competition
- Ballet show at the Events Centre (60 children)
- Netball skills for the seniors
- Jennifer Sommervill author visit ('Tales from the Farm' author)
- School Disco
- Miniball
- Year 5&6 Camp Living Springs

We certainly have had another busy time and the term has flown by.

The end of this term heralds another major event. That is Mrs Sarah Dunckley is leaving us to go on maternity leave until January 2019. Miss Patrick, as she was known as back then, joined us nearly 8 years ago. She quickly impressed us with her hard working ethic and genuine desire to do the best she can. Sarah lapped up the support and opportunities we gave her and very soon she became our Deputy Principal. Mrs D has a wonderful way with her students as she uses her sense of humour and straight shooting personality to get the best out of her class. Her pupils love her to bits and have done very well under her guidance. I am sure many of them will have funny stories to tell about their time in her classes.

We wish Sarah and James all the very best for their new arrival and look forward to meeting baby Dunckley.

We have been lucky to secure Mrs Hayley Price to take over in Room Ashton. Whilst Hayley has big shoes to fill, she is certainly up to the task. Hayley has been with us for nearly 3 years now in many different roles and has more than proven herself.

To fill the Deputy Principal position, I have asked Kirsty Stone and Jess Yeatman to share the role until the end of the year. Once we get further into Term 4 we will have a clearer picture of how things are working out with the staffing across the school. I think this management structure will be great as Kirsty can lead the junior school and Jess can lead the senior school and therefore facilitate more collaboration within the teams.

Term 4 will be another busy term with Country Day, athletics, camps and prize giving all squeezed in 9 weeks. Also using the data we gathered from our Student Well Being survey we are starting a study unit to help the students become more resilient. This unit is based on a programme called Friends for Life. We have done this unit before, in 2012, and it was very successful.

Nga mihi

Neil Simons

A big **thank you** to **Rabobank** who kindly donated some hats, drink bottles and some very cool money boxes as prizes to be given out at our assemblies.
Very much appreciated!

MISSING!!

The big water play trough from the Longbeach Playcentre.
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ROOM FLEMINGTON Torry & Jamieson



ROOM HUNTINGDON Laura & Gian

Academic Awards...

ACADEMIC AWARDS PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY 15TH SEPTEMBER

Room Willowby	Angus Lovett	For excellent effort and achievement with his Mad Maths.
Room Ashton	Charlotte Butler Sam Spicer	For excellent work in Maths with adding and subtracting tens.
Room Waterton	George Gordon	For great problem solving skills in Maths.
Room Eiffelton	Tessa Macdonald	For rising to challenges in her learning. Especially her speech presentation.
Room Flemington	Ben Pearson	For a great effort on his Static Image.
Room Huntingdon	Katie Ashworth	For her excellent work in Maths, where she has been finding effective ways of solving fractional problems.



Room Huntingdon Stories to share...

My Happy Place By Emma Williams

I walk with my sisters into the kitchen. Grandads up making Grandmas coffee, you can hear the jug boiling hard out like it's running a marathon. We sit at the kitchen bench. "Beautiful day outside" mentioned Granddad, we all looked outside. We all see the golden sunrise. Granddad grabs the coco pops and adds it into three bowls and adds some milk. Grandma comes into the kitchen around that time and granddad starts on his porridge. After we finish our breakfast granddad always feeds the rest of the porridge to the fish in the fish pond in the garden. Then granddad will grab a book lay down on the couch in the sun room. Grandma grabs the toy cars that granddad collects, then my sisters and I will start playing with them in the sun room. Sophie always grabs this big domino's car, pulls it back and lets it go then it will race across the room making this screeching sound. Granddad will normally tell us off for being too loud. After a while granddad will get up and go work on the farm. And grandma will take us into the garden with bowls and we will start picking berries to make jam. When we had filled our bowls with purple red berries we will go to the kitchen bench and start making jam.

My Memoir By Emily Simons

I walk down the sandy Lake Taupo to the frothy blue water and I dip my toes into the freezing water.

The water slowly rises up my legs the further I go I see Granddad in the distance throwing smooth pearly grey stones into the water trying to splash me!

The next thing I see is a big foamy blue wave coming in to try push me under the water. I paddled back to shore as fast as I could, clearly I wasn't fast enough the big wave folded over my head pushing me under. It's all quiet until Granddad starts laughing his electric loud laugh you could probably hear it from a mile away! It reminds me of Goofy the childhood character everyone watched.

On the way back to Granddad's house we passed the graveyards people were sitting praying next to their loved ones. Granddad muttered don't laugh or talk he saluted as we walked past them.

This place is special to me and my family because we go there every year to go swimming and always bring back some memories like this time, every year we will always bring home more.

The Pool By Issy Barker

As I rushed through the big glass doors the familiar scent of chlorine hits me like a brick wall. I walked to the diving block with butterflies jumping around in my stomach, I feel the adrenaline rush through me as I step on to the diving block. I could faintly hear my teammates shouting and cheering with excitement. BEEP!! The hooter goes I feel the cold water spread down my body as I dive into the water.

I felt like I was flying in the water, butterfly was my favourite stroke. Especially when I had my arms spread out free. I touched the wall with two hands and within seconds I bounced off. I looked up at the patterned roof. Backstroke isn't my favourite stroke. But I still liked it. My arms were aching, It felt like my arms were like a windmill going round and round. I finally reach the wall and I spin around and jump off the wall into breast-stroke. As I look over at my teammates racing against me I feel like a frog popping up and down in the water. The wall is straight ahead the only stroke left is freestyle. The next thing I know is I am ahead of everyone and I am speeding down the lane. I pass the flag with only a couple of strokes to go I can hear my team cheering and screaming in anticipation... I touch the wall and in a couple of milliseconds my teammates reached the wall. I feel excitement jump in me, I say well done and good race to my friends. I can't believe I just won my race!! I walk to my coach John Winter with a big smile on my face, he says well done. I walk to the podium they announce the 3rd and 2nd places then in first place of the 100IM is Issy Barker!!! I jump with glee and walk up to the podium I get my ribbon, and run and get changed I can't wait to tell my parents. I run into the pouring rain and hop into the car and speak about my winning race.

I always remember this pool because of my first winning race. I couldn't wait to come back on Monday this is why the Kapiti Aquatic Centre is my happy place!

Room Huntingdon Stories Cont'd ...

Splitting Wood By Harry Spicer

I go unlock the shed it screeches, I jump on the four wheeler. I hook the trailer on . I hear the roar of grandads motorbike. I start the Case 110 she's louder than a roaring lion. I slowly move the 10 tone beast forwards I smell the burning fuel. The smoke buries the air. I turn the revs up vroom vroom vroom VROOM. Then we split the heavy wet wood on a Saturday morning. At lunchtime I was saturated in the cold wet rain so I hopped in the tractor. To warm up when I jumped out of the summer warm tractor the cold hit me like a tank. I put the four wheeler in the shed.

It's special to me because I can drive any farm vehicle on the farm and not miss out on the fun.

Turf By Laura Walsh

As I leave the car and enter the Turf Gates I feel nervous inside but I know that whatever happens I will feel good. As the whistle blows for half time the score is two all I know that I have to try as I can. To prove that not only I can play but I can use my skill to score the deciding goal. As the ball slowly moves its way towards the goal I sprint as fast as I can , and I am ready and waiting at the post of the goal. Screaming "Post, I'm at the post!"

Next thing I know the ball is coming my way and I deflect the ball into the goal. I hear the loud bang of the ball hitting the goal the crowd all cheer. I jump in the air with excitement because that was my first ever full field goal that I will never forget. I love it when I can just hit the ball it is almost like meditating it gets rid of all your anger and stress. At the end of the game as I walk off the turf I can feel the cold and wet water all up my back from running up and down the turf. When I leave the turf gate I feel a sense of relief but also deep down I know that I want to stay at my happy place. I know that for how long my hockey career goes on for the turf will for always be my happy place.

My Memory By Devon Grant

The breeze freezing my cold pineapple feet as I walk through the frosty grass. I grabbed a solid golf ball as I threw the ball it bounced majestically off the wall and landed in my hand. Then I threw it again and instead of the last result it went threw the shiny glass and the gracious shards landed in hot cup coffee. Dad charged out the door furiously and spotted me in the leaf less bush. He used his stern words and I knew that in the future golf balls and glass don't mix well with hot coffee.

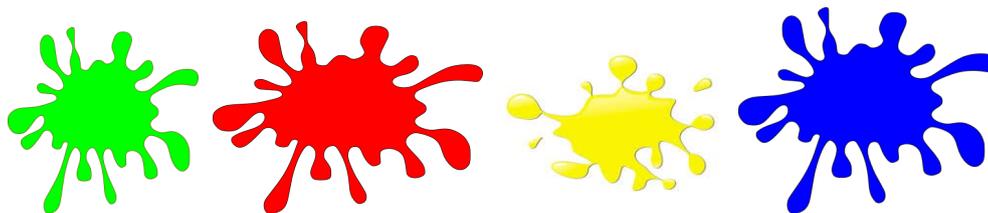
Visiting Author—Jennifer Somervill ...

On Monday 4th September we had the wonderful Jennifer Somervill - author of four prize winning children's books - come and share her stories and journey to being an author - with the students of Longbeach school. Jennifer is so passionate about what she has written and the kids thought it was pretty awesome that all of her books were stories that had happened on her family farm, when she was younger. The students had so much fun making the books come to life, by acting them out. We are very thankful to the Longbeach Home and School, who subsidised this for us and also brought two of her books for the library.



School/Community Notices...

CRAZY COLOURS DISCO!!



Thursday the 28th of September the Student Council are holding a Disco.

The theme is Crazy House colours so dress up crazy in your house colours.

Time: 4.30pm to 5.15pm - Juniors

5.30m to 7pm- Seniors

Where: Willowby Hall

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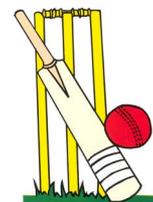
Coldstream Cricket Club Junior Player Registrations

The Coldstream Cricket Club online registrations close the 22nd September.

To register simply go to the Mid Canterbury Cricket website, <https://mccricket.co.nz> look for the registration instructions and click on the Coldstream Clubs link.

Once player numbers are known you will be advised of your team and practices will commence prior to the competitions start date in mid-October.

Any questions, or anyone not able or wanting to register online can contact Richard McClea at rmcclea@vodafone.co.nz



Community Notices ...

EIFFELTON HALL SOCIETY AGM

Friday 6th October
6.30pm
At the Hall
All welcome

Any enquiries phone
Dave Keating—302-6977



TENNIS PLAYERS WANTED!

Low key Social Tennis played at Longbeach School and Hinds School Courts.

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