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Friday 25th October 2019

Longbeach School

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Welcome

Dates to Remember

Term 4

Week 3: 28th October-1st November

Monday 28th	Labour Day Holiday!
Tuesday 29th	B.O.T. Meeting 7.00pm
Wednesday 30th	Southern Cluster Athletics Day @ Hinds School
Thursday 31st	Postponement day for Athletics day @ Hinds School LARS final event at Ashburton Domain
Friday 1st	Ashburton A & P Show
Saturday 2nd	Ashburton A & P Show

Week 4: 4th-8th November

Monday 4th	Golf in Schools—Rooms Lynnford, Flemington & Huntingdon
Tuesday 5th	Science Roadshow—Year 7/8 9.30-10.50am
Wednesday 6th	Subway
Thursday 7th	Golf in Schools, Rooms Willowby, Ashton, Waterton & Eiffelton
Friday 8th	County Athletics

Week 5: 11th-15th November

Monday 11th	Golf in Schools—Rooms Lynnford, Flemington & Huntingdon
Tuesday 12th	First Aid—Year 0-4 and 7-8
Thursday 14th	First Aid—Year 0-4 and 7-8 Assembly 2.15pm in the Art Centre Golf in Schools, Rooms Willowby, Ashton, Waterton & Eiffelton
Friday 15th	Canterbury Anniversary Day Holiday!



Welcome to our latest new students, Rico and Lucas are our New Entrants sitting in the front. Declan who has joined Room Waterton and Trinidee who has joined Room Flemington. We hope you enjoy your time with us and share our passion for learning! Happy school days to you all!

2020 TERM DATES

Term 1	Monday 3rd February-Thursday 9th April
Term 2	Tuesday 28th April-Friday 3rd July
Term 3	Monday 20th July—Friday 25th September
Term 4	Monday 12th October—TBA

2020 IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 6th February	—Waitangi Day
Monday 27th April	—Anzac Day
Friday 29th May	- Teacher only day (Queens Birthday weekend)
Monday 2nd June	—Queens Birthday
Monday 24th August	—Teacher only day
Monday 26th October	—Labour Day
Friday 13th November	—Christchurch Anniversary Day
Monday 16th November	Teacher only day (Christchurch Show weekend)

2019 IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th November	- School Photos
Friday 15th November	- Canterbury Anniversary Day
Sunday 24th November	- Longbeach Coastal Challenge
Monday 25th November	- Friday 29th November - Year 7/8 Camp to Stewart Island
Wednesday 4th-Thursday 5th December	- Year 8 Trip to Wellington
Thursday 5th-Friday 6th December	- Year 4 Overnight Camp in Timaru
Wednesday 11th December	- School Prizegiving
Thursday 12th December	- Lake Hood Fun Day
Friday 13th December	- Last day of school

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From the Principal...

Kia ora and welcome back to the last term of 2019.

It is hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of another year. This year has flown past and with only 43 school days in Term 4, we will be packing up the classrooms and farewelling the students in no time.

We must congratulate Mrs Kirsty Stone as she is expecting a wee baby boy in January 2020. Kirsty is taking two Terms maternity leave to bring a little fellow into the world. We wish Kirsty and Shannon all the best with their pending arrival.

We have been fortunate to employ Alice Eddington, who will be teaching in Room Willowby while Kirsty is on maternity leave. Many of you will know Alice, who lives locally. Alice has just returned from a stint overseas and, with perfect timing arrived on our doorstep.

After much discussion, we have decided to change the way we report in our junior school. Currently, for students in Years 1-3, we provide a report to parents scheduled by a student's time at school. For example, when a student has been at school for 20 weeks, they would receive a progress report, and after 40 weeks they would get an After 1 year. This system continues for students first 3 years at weeks 20, 40, 60, 80, and so on. This system was a part of the National Standards debacle. Now anniversary reporting has run its course as it is confusing and challenging. Therefore, starting next year, students in Years 1-3 will fall into line with the rest of the school year groups. This is, a mid-year progress report and parent interview in July and an End of Year report in December.

Further to this, we are continually looking at ways of improving what we do. Part of this review is the reporting process, and we have begun implementing digital portfolios. These digital portfolios will show the latest learning outcomes achieved and have some examples of the student's work with the learning outcomes. Naturally, this will change the way we report to parents, and as we work through this development, we will get a clearer idea of just how the process will look. Regardless of how it pans out, we will continue to provide you with accurate information about your child's learning.

On the 24th of November, the Longbeach Coastal Challenge will be happening. The Longbeach Coastal Challenge is our major fundraiser for the year, and over the last 12 years, we have seen it grow from 279 participants to a record 1500 participants in 2017.

Each year this event is run with the help of a group of volunteers made from our parent community and the Hinds & Districts Lions. As a result, we rely on the generosity of our parents to give up some time to ensure this event runs super smoothly. We have had several offers of help with registration packs, but now we need help on the day. Please, please if you can spare a few hours, we would appreciate your help.

The funds we raise from this event have been used to fund school equipment and projects. This year we have built a new kitchen behind Room Ashton for the students to use. Also, we have updated our fleet of iPads and Chromebooks. The students use iPads and Chromebooks to enhance their learning as they navigate the digital world.

Other significant projects that we have completed are the rebound wall on the tennis courts and building the new sports equipment shed. Right now, we are working on building a new playground for our older students. Some of the funds from the Longbeach Coastal Challenge have been set aside to help with this project. Fingers crossed, we will get a positive outcome from a grant application we have put in, and we will be able to start building!

In other exciting news, Room Eiffelton is going to be demolished and a new classroom built. We have been working with consultants and the Ministry of Education since late last year on-site condition assessments. As a result, we have managed to convince the ministry that it is more beneficial to replace Room Eiffelton rather than pour hundreds of thousands into it to upgrade. It is hoped that building work will begin in Term One next year, but we need to be realistic around the design, tendering and consents process and the required time with these.

Ngā mihi nui

Neil Simons

School Notices...

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- ☆ 2019 Longbeach School Yearbook - We need your help! ☆
- ☆ We are currently working on the content for the **Longbeach School Yearbook** and would like your input.... ☆
- ☆ Do you have some **great photos** taken at school events and activities throughout the year? ☆
- ☆ Do you know of any **past** Longbeach school students who have done something significant recently? ☆
- ☆ For example, made a high level representative sports team, head boy/girl at a high school etc. *'Past Student Achievements'* is a new addition to the yearbook this year! ☆
- ☆ Do you know of any **current** students that have done something significant outside of school? possibly sporting or cultural. ☆
- ☆ Do you know of a business that might be interested in advertising in the school yearbook? Please pass on the sponsorship notice included with this newsletter. ☆
- ☆ If you have any queries or are able to help with any of the above please email as soon as possible to longbeachyearbook@yahoo.com. ☆
- ☆ Thank you, from the Longbeach School Yearbook crew ☆
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Congratulations!

At the end of last term Cody Etheridge received the **Sir Peter Blake Leadership Award**. George from Westpac happily handed over the award to Cody. Congratulations Cody!



END OF YEAR CUPS

It's nearly that time of the year again!



Could we please have all end of year cups and trophy's cleaned and returned to the school office. Thank you.

School Photos

Just a reminder that our School Photographer is coming on **Tuesday 19th November and Wednesday 20th November**.

He will be taking individual photos as well as class photos.

There will be no obligation to buy these, they will simply be sent home with an order form for you to look at and purchase if you so desire.

If you do not wish to purchase the photos please return them back to school along with the order form. You can also have a group sibling photo taken which can also include any pre-schoolers.

Please contact the school office if you would like to have one taken, so we can book a time for you.

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This event is run by the Lions Club of Hinds and Districts and Longbeach School.
Profits from the 2019 event go to the Longbeach School Charitable Trust
and the Hinds Lions Charitable Trust



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COUNTRY DAY THANKS!!!

What another fantastic Country Day we had on Monday! The weather wasn't it's best but we managed to dodge most of it and we all had a blast. The children and their families put in a huge amount of effort preparing their indoor exhibits- the judges had a hard time selecting from all the quality entries. A huge thank you to all the wonderful ladies for giving up their time to support our day!

Another highlight for all the children is always the Young Farmer activities! Some got damper than others but everyone had a great time...throwing sponges at cans (or maybe parents), sliding down hay bales, throwing gumboots, bobbing the apple, wheelbarrow races, the infamous tug-of-war and so many more awesome activities.

A huge thank you goes to John O'Connell for rallying all the Dads, and co-ordinating the activities. It was wonderful to see all our Dads out there supporting this event, so thank you!

Once again in the afternoon we had our pets visit, in amongst the usual chaos the children loved showing their pets to their friends. A great big thank you to our pet judges who helped support the school staff with the judging- your expertise are much appreciated by us all!

Thank you also to the Home & School who organised the morning tea for our school staff, Dads and judges. This is a well needed cuppa and is much appreciated!

Thank you to those who supported our Year 4 camp fundraiser BBQ for lunch.

So, thank you to everyone involved in our Country Day! The children are very lucky to be able to experience such a fabulous day.

Thank you again

MISSING.....

Sadly this wee guy didn't quite make it to pet day he only made it to just outside the school on Boundary Road and managed to escape! His name is Mordechai but is just called puss. Last seen running into the paddock opposite the school. He is a bit scared of strangers and may not come to you. Please keep an eye out for him and if anybody spots him please contact

Kylie Ph 020 414-28795.
Thank you.



LOST PROPERTY!



As you can see our lost property bin is overflowing again!

Please have a look and see if you recognise any of these items.

As usual at the end of Term 4 we will be cleaning the bin out, all good school clothing will be donated to Home and School for resale and anything left will be donated to charity or disposed of!

SECOND-HAND SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We have a good supply at the moment upstairs in the Library for sale.

Polar fleeces, shirts, shorts, sports tops etc. all sizes.

SCHOOL SPORTS TOP

These are available from the school office new at a cost of \$36.00 each.

REMINDERS - Summer Uniform and Sunhats!!

Please remember all children should now be wearing their summer uniforms and must wear their sunhats in Terms 1 & 4 when outside, otherwise they will not be

allowed to play in the sun and will have to move to the shade.
Thanks.



Room Willowby...

Country Day 2019

By Room Willowby

On Country Day I went on the water slide and I had heaps of fun.
McKenzie Wing

On Country Day we learnt about lots of fish and I touched an eel.
Camden Hill

On Country Day I liked getting wet and I liked going on the water slide.
Beatrice Pottinger

We did the tug of war on Country Day.
Lucas Smith

On Country Day I liked tug of war and I liked pushing the wheel barrow.
Hilary Fitzgibbon

On Country Day I went down the water slide and I like it. I made a vegetable animal and I mad Leo.
Zara Redwood

Yesterday it was Country Day. I got wet throwing sponges.
Hugo Stoddart

We threw sponges on Country Day.
Rico Spiers

I went on the slide and I got wet.
Harriet White

I went do the tug of war and the girls and boys won.
Zoe Clucas

On Country Day I went on the slide and it was fun. I crawled under the cargo net.
Faye Blom

On Country Day I liked going on the slide because my Dad was helping and it was really fun.
Harper J

On Country Day I went to do the tug of war.
Kaden Arras



On Country Day I liked doing the tug of war.
Flynn Lovett



On Country Day we did tug of war and it was fun .
Emma Molloy

On Country Day I liked going on the really big water slide. I liked throwing the gumboots.
Eva Gill

On Country Day I liked doing the apple game because my Dad was helping.
Harper S



On Country Day I brought the lamb. I liked doing tug of war.
Freja Gill

On Country Day I liked doing the tug of war because the boys won.
Ryan Price

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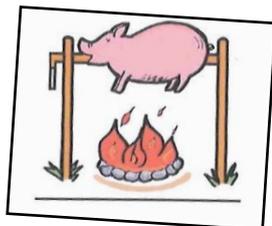
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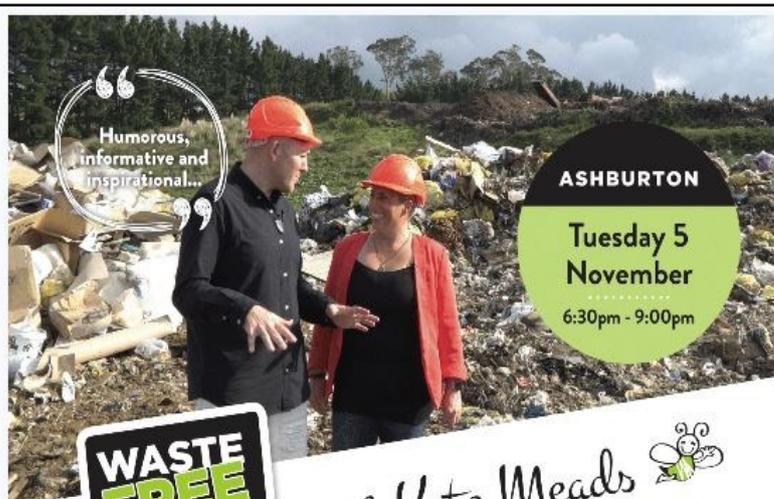
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