



# Christchurch South Intermediate

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## Newsletter (Panui)

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora tatou

This is our final newsletter for 2018 and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Year 8 students for their contribution to our school. If they can look back on their time at South and see how they have grown and developed as young people through embracing challenge, building their independence, celebrating diversity and developing a passion for learning, then they should be able to stand tall and approach life with confidence.

Since our last newsletter Steve Prescott has won a position at Hillview Christian School. Steve will initially be teaching a Year 8 class but is looking forward to the possibility of also working with Year 9 and 10 students. While we are very sad to say farewell to Steve after 16 years of teaching service at South, we congratulate him on his appointment and wish him all the very best.

We are pleased to announce that Kate Meder will be joining our team of home room teachers.

As we reflect on the year we are able to celebrate student progress and achievement on many levels and in a wide variety of ways - academic, sporting, cultural, in leadership and in personal growth.

We have been working hard to find creative and relevant ways for parents to partner with us in the learning journeys of students. We have primarily focussed on digital strategies to achieve this which has seen

the introduction of Seesaw as an online environment for students to share their learning with parents and caregivers. This is enabling students to get more feedback on their learning as part of the process. We have plans and strategies to ensure that this opportunity is more consistently available to all parents during 2018.

Face to face interactions with parents continues to be a priority for us and always will be. Parents and whānau are always welcome at school events, celebrations of learning and formal interviews, and we encourage you to make contact with us at any stage of the year.

By the time you read this newsletter the students' final reports will have made it home. I trust you find them useful summaries of the substantial opportunities for learning that exist at South. They should also be useful in setting future learning goals.

Our PTA has been a very small group of committed parents this year however their support has been thoroughly appreciated. We look forward to new parents joining the group next year. Schools are important community based organisations and as such the contributions parents make in so many ways, as volunteers, are crucial. Thank you to all those who have been involved in the many sporting, cultural, musical and academic activities by sharing your expertise and to those who have enthusiastically supported the school, staff and students.

If you are about to end your association with our school we wish you and your children all the very best for the future.

Please note that school finishes for the year immediately following the final assembly at approximately 12.00 noon on Friday.

I wish you all a very happy Christmas and restful holiday season.

Ngā mihi nui

Ross Hastings

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Hastings', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Principal



## **PTA**

Kia Ora Whānau

With the end of 2017 almost upon us the CSIS PTA would like to thank the school community for their support this year.

Between sausage sizzles, school discos, and open nights, we have had a great group of PTA supporters who have given up their time to lend a hand and we really appreciate it. Special thanks to Jo Harrison who has been quietly maintaining the second hand uniform details on the school website and Margaret Calder who has worked tirelessly to keep the PTA up to date with goings-on in the school and took the lead on the main fundraiser this year.

It is with this support, and that of the wider CSIS family, that the PTA is pleased to present the school with a cheque for \$10,000 this year for the purchase of new sports equipment for our students.

The PTA second hand uniform listing service will cease to operate after the PTA AGM in March next year. We are aware that many families already use alternative online communities such as the Somerfield Residence Association & Beckenham Neighbourhood groups on Facebook, Neighbourly or Trade me. We encourage you to consider these alternatives too.

Once again, many thanks for your support this year and have a happy and safe summer break.

Ngā mihi  
CSIS PTA

# Congratulations

To **Liam Crawford** who recently completed his Grade Six Electric Guitar exam with a very impressive distinction pass mark. Well done Liam.

To **George Higgins** who recently completed his Grade Five Electric Guitar exam with a very impressive distinction pass mark. Well done George.

## **Scholarship Winners 2017**



Congratulations to Kevin Thiele who has been awarded a Christ's College scholarship. To Emily Cropp who has been awarded the Cashmere High School Leadership Scholarship and Annabel Morison who has been awarded the Cashmere High School Academic Scholarship for 2018.

## **2017 Student Achievements**

Congratulations to the following students for their achievements outside of school.

Canterbury Football U12 Red team – Boys: Noah Smith

Canterbury Football U12 Grey team – Boys: Connor Richardson, Gus Knutson

Canterbury Football U12 Black team – Boys: Luka Fields (1<sup>st</sup>)

Canterbury Football U12 Red team – Girls: Darcy Rose Prasad, Leah Smith

Canterbury Football 11<sup>th</sup> grade team – Boys: Noah Smith & Luka Fields

Canterbury Football 12<sup>th</sup> grade team – Girls: Elise Jackson

Canterbury South Island Yr 7/8 Football team – Girls: Sophie George

Canterbury South Island Yr 7/8 Tournament Football team – Girls: Sophie George

Federation Talent Centre Canterbury Football – Noah Smith

Dragons Football Camp Trialist – Connor Richardson

Canterbury Metro U48kg Primary Schools Rugby team – Max Craw, Hugo Westphall



Canterbury Zone Rugby Team – Elliot Barron, Harry Read  
 Canterbury Primary Schools' Metro Netball team – Sophia Wallace, Samantha Ross  
 Canterbury U13 Boys A Hockey Team – Hamish Sherratt  
 Canterbury U13 Girls B Hockey Team – Riley Kane, Jessie Anderson  
 Canterbury U14 Red Devils Ice Hockey Team – Zac Raxworthy  
 Canterbury Intermediate Korfbal U12 Red team – Tyler Brown  
 Canterbury U13 Girls Basketball team – Indi Beeforth (and MVP)  
 Canterbury Development U13 Boys Basketball team – Preston Tait (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
 Canterbury U13 Boys Basketball team – Harry Weston (1<sup>st</sup>)  
 New Zealand U14 Basketball camp – Harry Weston  
 SIPT Basketball Tournament team – Jesse Beeforth, Rio Mahauariki (1<sup>st</sup>)  
 Pioneer All Stars team – Jesse Beeforth, Rio Mahauariki (1<sup>st</sup>)  
 Summer Development Basketball League Squad – Jesse Beeforth  
 Canterbury Eagles Development Squad – Jesse Beeforth  
 Paces Boys Basketball Squad – Jesse Beeforth  
 Kanga Cup Football team – Australian Tournament – Jesse Beeforth, Rio Mahauariki  
 Canterbury U15 Boys Metro Basketball team – Jesse Beeforth  
 Canterbury U15 Mainland Girls Basketball team – Keira Hill  
 Canterbury U12 Athletics Team – Esther Pratten  
 Canterbury Athletics team – Noah Smith (1<sup>st</sup> High Jump Nationals, 2<sup>nd</sup> High Jump SI Champs, 4<sup>th</sup> 1500m SI Champs)  
 Canterbury Cross Country Yr 8 Team – Esther Pratten  
 Canterbury U13 Girls Cricket team – Darcy Rose Prasad  
 Canterbury Triathlon – Noah Smith  
 Canterbury Mountain Biking – Noah Smith (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
 Canterbury Futsal League – Noah Smith  
 Canterbury Table Tennis – Noah Smith (3<sup>rd</sup> at Champs)  
 Swimming Canterbury West Coast – Talent ID Squad – Max Gardiner  
 Surf Lifesaving Nationals – Brooke Goldsmith (sprints 4<sup>th</sup>)  
 Surf Lifesaving Regionals – Brooke Goldsmith (Beach flags 2<sup>nd</sup>, Beach Spring 1<sup>st</sup>, Board Race 2<sup>nd</sup>, Diamond 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
 Surf Lifesaving Canterbury Champs – Brooke Goldsmith (Beach flags 1<sup>st</sup>, Beach sprints 1<sup>st</sup>, Board race 3<sup>rd</sup>, Swim race 2<sup>nd</sup>, Diamond 3<sup>rd</sup>, Beach mixed relay 2<sup>nd</sup>, Distance relay 2<sup>nd</sup>, Run Swim Run 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
 Kendo – NZ Junior Opens Champs – Ryoga Wisjnuery (3<sup>rd</sup> overall)  
 Taekwondo –  
 South Island Novice Boxing – Kwahli Beauchamp (1<sup>st</sup>)  
 Dance – Lexi Judson (NZDA 3<sup>rd</sup> Jazz, Contemporary, Ballet & Tap)  
 Junior World Champs Surfing – Ocean Chapman (trialling heading to Bali, Bahamas, Hawaii & Bora Bora)

## **Year 8 3D letters on show at COCA gallery**



Last Friday night at COCA gallery some students from South proudly attended an art expo run by the Red Cross youth organisation called 'BOUNCE'. The focus of the evening was to showcase artwork and share music and dance with a mental health

focus. Our visual art awareness campaigns from Term 3 fitted in perfectly with this and provided another opportunity to push the messages out to a wider audience. The reaction to the works was amazing. Well done to those who exhibited!

## **Summer Tournament 2017**

Last Tuesday, on a day that hit temperatures well into the 30's, our summer tournament teams battled away on the field, and in the heat!

Our team of Orienteers, who were all novices competing in their first events, performed extremely well. Our Year 8 boys' team of Maurice, Konna, Fergus and Damon came away with a 1st place in the Rogaine event, and 2nd in the relay. Our Year 7 team of Sunny, Hannah, Ella and Henry also performed exceptionally well, gaining a 2nd place in the Rogaine event.



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Under the scorching sun and on the burning sand, our volleyballers faced some pretty tough conditions! The B team performed incredibly well, narrowly missing out on making the top 4, going on to finish in 7th place. Our A team played well to make the semi-finals, only to fall at the last hurdle and gain 4th place.

Our tennis team showed exceptional focus in the heat to produce some steady performances, with the girls taking 4th position, and the boys taking on each other in the 5/6th playoff.

The Softball team, consisting of all Year 7s, were extremely competitive and came away with a 4th place. These guys will be a force to be reckoned with in 2018!!

The Girls Cricket team played some extremely close games, even pushing the national champions, and came away with 2nd position. Our boy's cricket team had some mixed results, winning 4 games and losing 3 on a very mentally and physically draining day.

Our golfers, with 3 of the 4 players from our winning team last year returning, were looking to hold onto their title. They were successful with this, taking out the competition yet again, so we look forward to following these boys over their high school golfing careers.

Both Touch teams showed a huge amount of determination and grit in the trying conditions. The boys were forced to play overtime, where they narrowly came away with a win, and finishing in 5th place. The girls, being only one of two all-girls teams, were forced to play in the mixed competition facing boys and girls teams, finishing with 4th position.

Thanks to all the parents who came down to support the respective teams, your help was much appreciated.

### **South Island Junior Theatresports Finals**

On Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, South's Year 8 Theatresports team competed in the South Island Junior Theatresports Championship Finals at the Court Theatre.

Friends and family of the teams gathered to watch the performance. Every seat was filled, the judges sat poised with their pencils sharpened, and the anticipation in the air was almost tangible. Annabel Morison, Amy Butler, Isabelle Bowen, Ryan Pugh and Toby Hull faced some fierce competition; the 4 other teams were St Thomas of Canterbury, Burnside High A team, Beckenham School and Motueka High School (winners from Nelson).



There were 3 rounds in the competition; the blind round, which the South team sped through with 'Yes and Experts', the choice round, in which they performed with 'New Choice', bringing a hilarious tale of paper maché chocolate frogs, and the challenge round. In the challenge round, the South team were given the challenge of making a scene with the message, 'Never

judge a book by its cover'. They pulled it off in a humorous version of 'Half Life' that involved guinea pigs and warts. This year, St Thomas won the finals, but our team did a great job and had lots of fun. It was an exciting Sunday afternoon filled with laughter and great improvisation for all.

The South Year 7 team competed last week, coming second place to the South Year 8 team. Let's hope they make it through to the finals next year!

Congratulations to the Year 8 team for making it through to the finals, and well done on representing South. A special thanks to Miss Revell for all the hard work and commitment put in to make this possible!

Article by Isabelle Bowen, S2

### **Interschool Triathlon**



On Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> November, 8 of our talented triathletes braved the heat and competed in the Inter-school Triathlon event at Pegasus town.

All students participated extremely well, especially as a few of the students were the bottom year in their age groups, so will be participating in the same age next year!

An outstanding effort from Natasha MacGibbon in particular, who finished in the top 5, only 2 minutes behind the winner.

Results:

#### **12 Year Girls**

20<sup>th</sup> Reilly Kane 38:31  
21<sup>st</sup> Ita Salvado 38:57  
58<sup>th</sup> Meg Wood 45:52

#### **12 Year Boys**

12<sup>th</sup> Noah Smith 35:00  
20<sup>th</sup> Oscar Clatworthy 36:54  
35<sup>th</sup> Ben Hay 38:30  
80<sup>th</sup> Jack MacDonald 43:27

#### **11 Year Girls**

5<sup>th</sup> Tash MacGibbon 37:38



## **Korfball Champions! - Term 4**

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, South had two Korfball teams participating in the final Korfball Canterbury Year 7 & 8 tournament for the year, with the hope of putting the trophy away for the summer.

The South 2 team, made up of a talented bunch of students, played well above expectations and qualified for a quarterfinal (top 8).

After full time it was 1-1, forcing penalty shoot outs - going down in the dying stages 4-3 to St Martins school. In their bottom 4 play-off against Halswell A, they were again agonisingly close to taking it out, but the scores were level at full time. This time going down 1-0, in another extremely close penalty shoot off, this qualified them for the 7/8th playoff v a very tall Waimate High School. In what seemed like the impossible, this game was again tied up at fulltime, and with Miss Lloyd nearly turning grey with the stress of yet more penalties, we managed to put our previous games experience into action, and came away with a 1-0 penalty win, and 7th place.



The South 1 team, who have 7 players in the Canterbury Junior Year 7 & 8 teams, were the hot favourites from the beginning of the day, with a fairly large target on their back! They also qualified for a quarterfinal, which they won comfortably. The semi final forced a rematch of the Term 3 final against Middleton Grange A, who displayed a huge amount of accuracy from the beginning. We found ourselves down 3-7 at the start, but dug deep to pull back and win 9-7. The final was another tough battle, against a talented Queenspark team. From the outset though we stamped our mark, going out to a fast 3 goal lead. We finished the game 7-5, with nearly all of the team scoring in the final. An excellent display of skill, on an extremely hot day!

A huge congratulations to Ben, Sammy and Gracie, who also impressed the Korfball Canterbury selectors, making it into the Tournament team of 4 boys and 4 girls.

## **Inter School Athletics Results – 23 November**

After postponement due to bad weather on Tuesday, our team of 45 students and 3 staff, headed down to Ashburton to compete in the Inter-school Athletics meet on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. It was an extremely hot day, which made it hard at times for our athletes. Every student gave it their all, and we came away with a number of exceptional results. One of the



highlights was all of our 6 relay teams making the final, with 4 of these placing either 1st or 2nd in their events.

Thank you to all of the parents who supported the students at the event, it was much appreciated.

A huge thank you also to Mrs Prebble, Mair and the wonderful helpers who came down to ensure the adults, marshals and supervisors were fed and refreshed all day, to fulfil our hosting duties. You all did an incredible job, with lovely manners, and should be very proud.

## **Our champions are:**

### **Year 7 Girls**

#### **Discus**

3<sup>rd</sup> Esther Pratten

#### **100m**

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#### **800m**

3<sup>rd</sup> Brooke Goldsmith

#### **100m Relay**

1<sup>st</sup> Esther Pratten, Brooke Goldsmith, Sienna Garrick and Leah Smith

### **Year 7 Boys**

#### **High Jump**

3<sup>rd</sup> Connor Arnold

#### **100m**

2<sup>nd</sup> Louis Hamilton

#### **100m Relay**

2<sup>nd</sup> Louis Hamilton, Jayden Prebble, Harry Owen and Connor Arnold

### **Year 8 Girls**

#### **Discus**

3<sup>rd</sup> Gracie Pratten

## **Year 8 Boys**

### **Discus**

3<sup>rd</sup> Ben Higgins

### **High Jump**

1<sup>st</sup> Jesse Beeforth

### **Long Jump**

2<sup>nd</sup> Avishnal Chand

### **60m**

2<sup>nd</sup> Ciaran O'Regan

### **1500m**

2<sup>nd</sup> Jesse Beeforth

### **100m Relay**

2<sup>nd</sup> Hamish Judd, Hunter Ryan-Biddick, Jesse Beeforth and Avishnal Chand

### **Open**

#### **8x 50 m relay (mixed)**

1<sup>st</sup> Belle Cleland-Hall, Sophia Wallace, Rylee Munro, Gemma Quigley, Ciaran O'Regan, Hugo Westphall, Ben Higgins, Maka Faingaanuku

### **Kids in Town**

Congratulations to CSIS Jazz Band, Manaja rock band and the Kahukura Chorale on a stunning mini-concert as part of this year's Kids in Town event.

Every year, schools are invited to perform at the Christchurch City Art Gallery as part of a lunchtime series organised by Christchurch City Council. This year we chose to squeeze in three pieces by the Jazz Band, two songs by Chorale and a performance by the Manaja rock band. It was an ambitious programme as we only had 30 minutes, but our performances went without a hitch and we were blessed with a warm, sunny day; a large, supportive audience, and generous acoustics. Thank you to everyone who turned out to support our school - we hope you enjoyed it as much as the staff and students did!

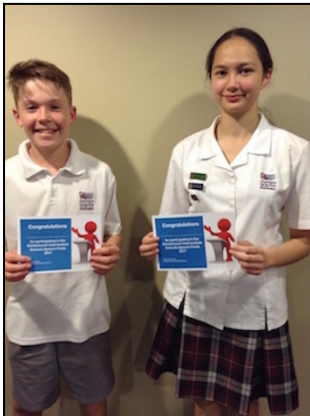


All three performing groups are now gearing up for their final performances on the last two days of the school year: at the year 7 and year 8 prize giving



assemblies (Thursday 14th December), and the final assembly on Friday 15th December. We will be very sad to see the talented year eights go.

### **Inter-Intermediate School Speech Competition**



The annual Christchurch Inter-Intermediate School Speech Competition was held at Casebrook Intermediate School on November 2nd. Christchurch South sent two competitors to compete under the speech topic 'If we could change one thing...' Speech topics ranged from three day weekends, bacteria, fairness and equality to anatidaephobia - a fear of ducks! Our two contestants:, Archie with his speech on Homelessness and Billie with her speech on Negative Body Image represented South with strong, clear and passionate deliveries. Billie in particular impressed the judges and was awarded first place. She was described as a standout! Congratulations Billie and Archie you did a fantastic job representing yourselves and South.

### **Keep Christchurch Beautiful.**

Last week six students from the Garden Club went with Frank, our caretaker, and Mrs Calder to Heathcote Valley School for the SEEP awards ceremony organised by Keep Christchurch Beautiful. We were delighted to be given a Highly Commended Award for the work that is done to keep our school environment looking so attractive. Everyone in our school community contributes to maintaining the high standard of our grounds, making our school such a wonderful and attractive place.



### **Write On**

Congratulations to Jasper Murray, Sophie George, Madeleine Devos, Emily Rushton, Mia Sharr and Hayley Gibson who have articles published in the recent Write On magazine. All of these talented students attended the School for Young Writers workshop. Here are a few samples of their work.

#### The Girl – Sophie George

She is a Chinese doll  
with long black hair  
brushed almost to perfection

#### What I do – Madeleine Devos

I used to dream  
about being an air hostess  
but now I ask for service.

a small parcel  
of delicate objects  
tied with a string of ribbon  
leapt away.

a pretty shell  
washed away by the sea  
that slowly envelope her

faces,  
Whenever I look in the mirror  
I see, no myself,  
but someone  
Chainsmoker,  
I have not yet become

a runaway girl  
calling for help, running  
from the life she was born,  
but she runs too slow,  
she calls to quietly

She is a name  
taken from the heart  
and placed upon a page

I look,  
I stare.  
There is  
Nothing there

What I did – Emily Rushton

I used to play imaginary games  
now I just sit and talk

I used to think my brother was annoying  
now I think he is more annoying

I used to make mud pies in the sandpit  
now I make towers with moats

I used to hate math  
now it's  $7Xa+Y=?$

I used to think about animals  
before I went to sleep,  
but now they've swum and

I used to giggle,  
but now I laugh out loud.

I used to sketch people's

but now I trace most things.

I used to listen to The

but now I hear birds chirping.

I used to think about the past,  
but now I am.

I used to scribble stick figures  
now I draw Mandala patterns

I use d to stare at the clouds  
now I dream beyond them

### **KINDO Online School Shop**

We are excited to let you know that our online school shop is open 24/7. From 2018 this will be how you order lunches at the school canteen. From the 1st January 2018 the school costs will also be available so you can make payments and keep track of what is owing on your child's account. During the year we will be adding school trips and any additional costs so it becomes a one stop shop. To register follow the link from our school website under: General Information - South Online Shop. If you signed up with your child's previous school you only need to change the school name

### **2017 TERM DATES**

<b>Term 1</b>	Monday 30 January	-	Thursday 13 April
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 1 May	-	Friday 7 July
<b>Term 3</b>	Monday 24 July	-	Friday 29 September
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 16 October	-	Friday 15 December

### **2018 TERM DATES**

<b>Term 1</b>	Wednesday 31 January	-	Friday 13 April
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 30 April	-	Friday 7 July
<b>Term 3</b>	Monday 23 July	-	Friday 28 September
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 15 October	-	Tuesday 18 December

## COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

*These are printed at the request of the organiser involved and we do not necessarily associate ourselves with the organisation or condone what they are offering.*

### Dental Care over the School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will be providing emergency dental appointments on the 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December available at the following clinics:

Hornby Community Dental Clinic

Northcote Community Dental Clinic

Woolston Community Dental Clinic

Aranui Community Dental Clinic

*and from Hillmorton Community Dental Clinic:*

Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> January – Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018 (inclusive)

This service will operate by appointment only and if we are unable to see your child, alternative options will be given. If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

### *New Year Clinic Openings*

An emergency dental service will also be offered from Hillmorton Community Dental Clinic and Northcote Community Dental Clinic on the following dates:

Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 – 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018 (inclusive)

and

Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018 – 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018 (inclusive)

You can phone and make an appointment for these clinics by ringing 0800 846 983.

### Kiwi Volley Holiday Programme Yr7/8

Canterbury Volleyball Association will be running a VOLLEYBALL Holiday programme over the summer holidays - just before school goes back! This fantastic opportunity is aimed at boys and girls in year 7 and 8 in 2017.

It will be an action packed three days where we will cover all the basic skills of serving, passing, setting and spiking with lots of FUN games and drills finishing off with a mini tournament. When: 23rd, 24th, 25th January 2018, 9am to 12pm Where: St. Margaret's College Cost: \$60 per person. Register at: <https://www.canterburyvolleyball.org/year-78-holiday-programme>

## CALENDAR 2017/2018

11 December	School reports home
12 December	South's Got Talent
12 December	Year 8 Leaver's Dance
14 December	Year 7 Prize giving 11.15am - 12.15pm
14 December	Year 8 Prize giving 1.00pm – 2.45pm
<b>15 December</b>	<b>Last day Term 4 2017</b>

*Merry Christmas and a Happy  
New Year*

31 January	First day Term 1 2018
6 February	<b>Waitangi Day – school closed</b>
8 February	CSIS Duathlon
14 February	School photos

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