



Christchurch South Intermediate

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora tatou

As Term 2 draws to a close we are looking forward to the "South Battle of the Bands" competition on the last Friday afternoon. It is always amazing to see the talent and confidence on show and to acknowledge the time, effort and initiative required to perform.

Mid-year school reports went home last week and I trust they were useful documents. Clearly, a written report summarising achievement and effort to date is only one small part in the support for learning and development. Parent interviews are another as are the on-going communication, feedback and conversations about learning that should be a regular part of each student's experience. We look forward to enhancing this further next term with developments in our processes for enabling parents to be more involved in an online way with their children's learning - watch this space.

Our caretaker, Rod McLeod, has decided to retire after 10 fine years of service at Christchurch South Intermediate. Rod, a neighbour of the school, started working Term 2 2007. The role of a caretaker is diverse and often requires quick responses to situations that arise. We have thoroughly appreciated Rod's calm manner in all his work and his support for the students and local community in so many valuable ways.

The students farewelled Rod at our school assembly this week. Our Head Students spoke and thanked him before presenting him with a wooden plaque, laser cut here at school. The full school then honoured him with a rousing performance of the school haka - a fitting tribute.

It's great that Rod will still be a neighbour and has happily agreed to remain linked to the school by helping us out when needed.

We are very pleased that Frank Cork has taken over from Rod and has made an excellent start in his new caretaker position.

I trust that your children look after you during their term break and find positive ways to put smiles on your faces.



Ngā mihi nui
Ross Hastings

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

Principal

School Uniform

The vast majority of our students are well presented and correctly attired every day.

Our school uniform promotes a sense of belonging and pride and removes competition in dress.

All students are required to wear correct school uniform at all times, this includes correct PE uniform.

If your child is unable to wear correct uniform, we require a note from home in order to issue a Uniform Card. This card shows that the student has followed our process.

If a student does not have a note from home, a Uniform Card will be issued and it will be recorded that there was no supporting explanatory note from a parent.

If a student presents for a second uniform Card without a note, they will be required to forfeit twenty minutes of their lunchtime re-visiting the School's Uniform requirements.

To support this we ask that parents ensure all uniform items are well named and that PE gear is bought to school every day. There are a large number of un-named polar fleeces and jerseys, shorts and boys' socks on our Lost Property rack.

If any family is having difficulty providing correct school uniform please contact the school as we may be able to help.

Intermediate v Primary Schools Cross Country



On Wednesday 5th July, 11 students from South competed in the Intermediate vs Primary Cross Country. This is where the top 20 boys and top 20 girls from the year 7 & 8 Canterbury Primary races competed against the top 20 boys and top 20 girls from the year 7 & 8

Canterbury Intermediate races. The race was held at Roto Kohatu Reserve and consisted of three tough 1km laps.

South students had some fantastic results with Esther and Gracie being placed in the top 10, and selected to compete in the Inter-Regional Cross Country event (Canterbury v Tasman v Wellington v South Canterbury) held in Timaru in September.

Results

Year 7 Girls

6th Esther Pratten
20th Elise Jackson
21st Brooke Goldsmith
33rd Leah Smith

Year 7 Boys

23rd Hamish Sherratt
26th Oscar Clatworthy
31st Ewan Aitchison

Year 8 Girls

8th Gracie Pratten

Year 8 Boys

22nd Alex Wenmoth
27th Sam Le Lievre

Korfball Tournament – Term 2

On Monday 3rd July, three South Korfball teams had the opportunity to participate in a second tournament run by Korfball Canterbury at Pioneer Stadium. With many of our Championship winning team from the first tournament back, the students were excited by the possibility of going back-to-back!



The South 2 team were extremely successful, winning all of their pool games, and qualifying directly for the semi-finals v Cobham. The South 1 team weren't so lucky, losing in their first game to Middleton Grange 1, putting the pressure on to win all their remaining games to qualify for the semi-finals. They did this, which set up an exciting rematch in the semis against Middleton Grange 1 again. The South 3 team, who for most this was their first taste of a Korfball tournament, showed huge progress throughout the day, scoring more goals every game, and came away with a very respectable 14th place out of 18 teams.

South 2's semi was a tough contest, unfortunately going down 2-1 to Cobham. South 1 had a much closer game, with scores level at the end of full time, and golden goal extra time, which meant penalty shoot outs! Step up Dallas, Sammy and Sam who all made their shots, qualifying their team for the final! Deja vu in the final, where again the scores were locked at full time and extra time, forcing yet again more penalty shots! This time we couldn't quite handle the pressure that Cobham forced onto us, settling for 2nd place. We will be back in Term 3 to attempt to win back the trophy!!

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

7 South students were also invited into the Canterbury Junior Korfbal Squad for 2017. Congratulations to Esther, Gracie, Sammy, Jesse, Ben, Dallas and Tyler!

Design Creative NZ Opera Workshop



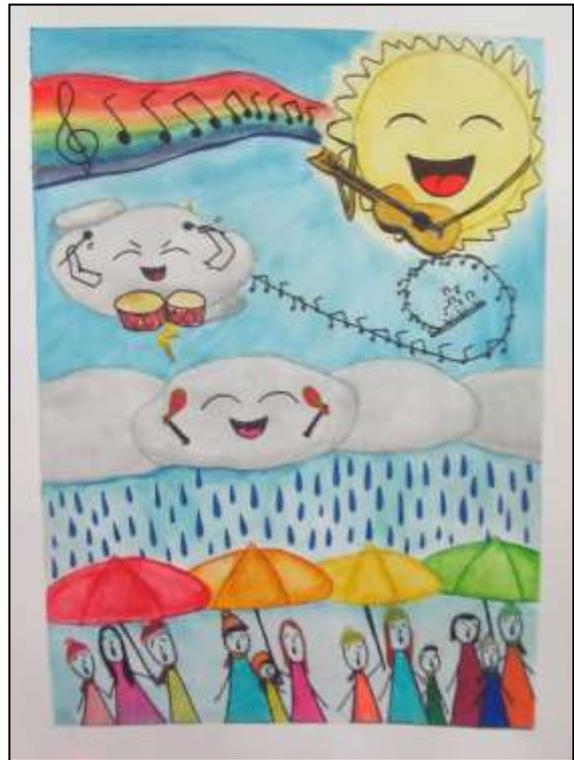
On the 28th, 29th and 30th of June, I had the absolute pleasure of being one of the film crew for the NZ Opera Creative Workshops. The opera that was chosen for visual arts students was **'Carmen'**, written by Georges Bizet in 1875. It has a complex storyline, which ends with a murder. Carmen is a gypsy girl from Seville.

A group of 25 Visual Arts students attended the workshop. They were split into four smaller groups, and over the three days, each group made a set design and costume working with completely different interpretations of the story. One group chose to present a 1920's theme while another made a dress for Micaela, a more minor character in the story. It was amazing to watch people's creativity, endurance and teamwork. The results were outstanding! Every participant should be so proud of their incredible effort. The set designs and costumes will be exhibited at our open evening on the 24 July in Hillary shared space and thereafter a couple will be taken to the Isaac Royal Theatre entrance hall and be on show for the official production of **'Carmen'**. Tickets can be purchased here from [Ticketek](#).

Well done to, Isabelle, Chumani, Billie, Hayley, Mia, Ngaire, Poppy, Annabel, Kate, Rio, Bobbie, Alexis, Diego, Negin, Ben, Sam C, Mason, Sam P, Theodore, Tom, Nadia, Yuki (students who participated) and Taylor for helping with the filming. *Emily Cropp*

Winning Poster Design!

The theme was decided, the criteria was set, and entries were waited upon. The Christchurch Music Festival art competition was open to all schools in Canterbury and 25 of the entries were from South. "Whatever the Weather" was a well thought out theme, which inspired many wonderful designs and ideas from the children of Canterbury. For me, it was the songs "Singing in the rain" and "You are my sunshine" that set off the ideas. These were included in the crazy song and idea mash up in my head. Eventually, I settled with a choir singing in the rain and the sun working the ukulele. Next came the



composition and, after several attempts, I came up with a suitable design. I was not quite happy with my original idea so I created a second design and, though it did not quite represent the theme, I entered both. The first design won the Music Festival Competition and the second won the South Monthly Art Challenge so thankfully it was win-win!

The night the phone rang, I knew something was up. If it wasn't the fact that my art teacher was on the phone, then it was certainly the fact that her "knowing" voice was being used. This meant that I had either done something extremely good or extremely bad. At first I thought she had the wrong person, but it was my name that she used several times. It didn't sink in at once, but once it had, I had to hold my breath until I passed the phone on to Mum, while I took to the hallway to do something of a victory dance and a gym workout that consisted of a large variety of assorted fist pumps and echoes of "Yess, yess, yesssssss!". After all that hard work, both the school art department and I became \$100 richer. I was a very happy camper! *Kate Suckling*

Better Events Upcycle, Rethink - Reinvent – Reuse **South Overall School Competition Winners!**

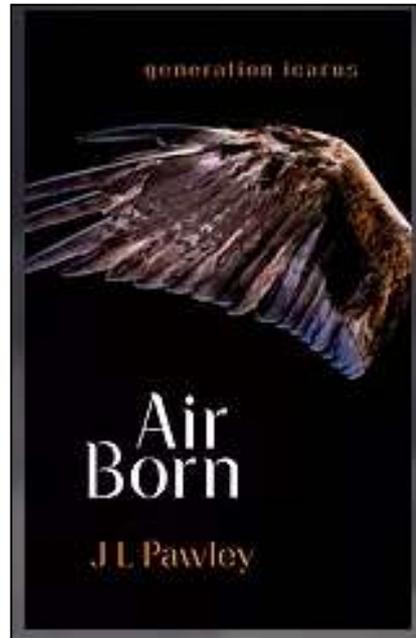


In the school Easter holidays, a number of students from South decided to rise to the challenge of creating something from waste that would have otherwise been thrown away. You could enter the Canterbury school-wide Upcycle, Rethink - reinvent - reuse competition as an individual or as a team. I decided to enter as an individual because I knew it would push me to do my best. I created a tiered planter made from old jib buckets, a broken tent pole and a piece of wood I found in dad's garage. All of our entries were transported to an expo in a hall in Kaiapoi. The general public was invited to vote for their favourite. It was fun to see the work from our competitors. Our display looked impressive and had the most diverse range of entries. We really did upcycle, rethink - reinvent and reuse! We were all very proud when we heard that South had won the overall school's prize of \$500.

Congratulations go to all those who entered either as a team or as an individual: Elizabeth Collecutt, Sam Dowrick, Evie Jones, Genevieve Mann, Chumnai Lo-Fo-Wong, Samantha Wheeler, Sam McCloy, Solitaire Barlow, Jessie Anderson, Poppy Sam, Poppy Heyward, Emily Cropp, Natalie Armstrong, Annabel Morison, Kevin Thiele, Mia Marais, Noah Weyer and Grace Webber.

You can check out our entries on the school Youtube site
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_cSAQrfCjk&list=PLcap0lPhSAuW99F2S4ECSpI7k99ytTfcx *Annabel Morison*

Generation Icarus Air Born Writing And Illustration Competition - Annabel Morison South's Winner!



The Generation Icarus competition was for writers and illustrator fans of the Air Born YA SciFi series. People entered from all around the world and you could either create a piece of fan-fiction or a drawing related to the story. In the brief we got a snippet of the story to get a basic idea and a summary. I chose to just do a drawing because that is more fun for me as I am better at drawing than writing and I can do it more quickly. The drawing that I did was a young boy with his knees tucked up to his chest and wings on a rocky peak. It was really fun and I think this type of competition is a good idea to do. As the competition winner I get a signed book with a personal letter from the author and my work published in it. It was really exciting to win! *Annabel Morison*

Artistic Gymnastics

Emily Rushton and Charlotte Stevenson recently competed at the Inter Schools Gymnastic competition where they competed against Year 7 and Year 8 students from intermediate and full primary schools. Both girls competed in the artistic gymnastic competition. Emily was placed 17th overall in the recreational grade 3 competition. Charlotte was placed 2nd in vault, 3rd in bar, 4th in beam and 2nd in floor in the Step 5 competitive competition. Congratulations to the girls on a fantastic performance.

Art Success



One of our recent Monthly Art Challenges was to create an artwork suitable for a poster and a program cover for the Christchurch Schools' Music Festival. Kate from R4 won the school competition and her entry was entered

in the city wide competition along with eighteen other fine artworks. Last week we were informed that Kate's entry won the city wide competition! She has won a cheque for the school and one for herself.

Mountain Bike Racing at South

Christchurch South Intermediate is lucky to have a high number of students interested in Mountain Bike racing. In the last newsletter, a number of placings were mentioned about the Huxster relay out at McLean's Island. Two further names need to be recognised: Elizabeth and Hollie performed so admirably to clinch 6th spot in their race and it would be great to see this awesome team aim for the podium next year!

On May 14th, the 6 hour Ashburton Relay hosted two South student teams and a number of keen parents raced, too. One enthusiastic teacher thought he'd give it a go after a strict training regime of pies and supermarket trolley pushing, too. The conditions on race day were foggy and slippery along the Ashburton River Loop. A largely undulating single-track course with plenty of twisty leaf littered turns, mixed in with a break through a quarry, made for a race where the few straights that existed turned into pace blasting sections of pain.

After leading the race for their age group and building a huge lead,

the team of Marcus, Noah, Sam and Hamish seemed set to achieve a two-peat. On their penultimate lap, fate played a cruel twist and a mechanical issue on the farthest part of the leg saw them overtaken. Some great sportsmanship from George, in South's other team, saw their number carried safely over the line for a relay swap. Part of the drama of sport is how we deal with adversity and the boys were so gracious in claiming second.

George, Maria and Oscar took 3rd spot in a well-represented school team field. As Year 7s, they punched out consistently fast laps and the race could be theirs for the taking next year! Maria's little brother was the fourth member and it would be great to see him join future South MTB teams ASAP!

As for the enthusiastic teacher, well... he apologises profusely to the dad team for his own rotten luck (crashed and broke bike, the noob) and lack of fitness (when did young people get THIS fast!?), but is hoping to have another swipe at this event next year. It was a thoroughly enjoyable day out!

Interschool Cross Country



On Wednesday 21st June, 39 students from South competed in the Inter-Intermediates Cross Country race held at Halswell Quarry. Despite being the middle of winter, the sun was shining and it was a beautiful day for running. The Year 7 girls started us off followed by the Year 7 boys, Year 8 girls and finally the Year 8 boys. All the

South students were competitive, with everyone finishing in the top half of their fields.

Well done to the Year 7 girls and Year 8 boys teams who placed second, and the Year 8 girls and Year 7 boys teams who placed third, a fantastic team effort. Overall, South did very well with 13 students coming in the top 20 for their race. This means they have qualified to race against the primary schools top 20 in their year group at the end of the term. Results can be found at

<http://www.sportsplits.com/Home/QuickResults?clientId=34&raceId=712&culture=en-US>

Results:

Year 7 Girls

4th Esther Pratten
10th Elise Jackson
13th Brooke Goldsmith
16th Leah Smith
23rd Maria Laurie
26th Sophie Hammond-Parrish
27th Aliya Phiskie
30th Clara Dujakovic
21st Nikita Scott-Petersen
32nd Amy Hay

Year 7 Boys

10th Josh Craythorne
13th Hamish Sherratt
14th Ewan Aitchison
16th Oscar Clatworthy
25th Connor Richardson
26th Preston Tait
29th Saxon Venrooy
36th Regan Johns
38th Louis Hamilton
43rd Finn Arnold

Year 8 Girls

7th Gracie Pratten
23rd Reilly Kane
28th Ita Salvado Lozano
29th Nadia Jayet
45th Grace Wells
46th Emily Cropp
57th Rylee Munro
65th Ngaire North
66th Jaze Jones

Year 8 Boys

7th Jess Beeforth
9th Alex Wenmoth
14th Ben Higgins
15th Sam Le Lievre
22nd Quinn McNamara Prendeville
23rd Will Anderson
28th Tom Strong
30th Noah Smith
33rd Ben Dunn
51st Ronan Davidson

Absence

If your child is unwell, unable to attend school or late **it is essential** caregivers phone and advise the office by **pressing 1** on our telephone voicemail before 8.40am. When leaving a message please ensure that you give the office your child's name, room number and the reason for the absence. Alternatively you can email the office on absent@chchsouth.ac.nz or send an absence through the School App.

It is a Ministry of Education requirement that if a child is going to be absent from school for whatever reason a parent or caregiver must make contact with the school explaining the reason for the absence.

We ask that if you email your child's classroom teacher with regard to an absence that you also inform the office.

Lateness

If your child is late to school for any reason, they are required to come to the office to sign in and receive a late pass **before** they make their way to their classroom. We thank you for your assistance in helping us to keep your children healthy and safe.

Leaving school during school hours

If your child needs to leave school for any reason during school hours, please provide a note for the classroom teacher, which is also shown to the office staff before the student leaves school. Their name, class and time of leaving will be recorded when they sign out. If your child is returning to school they must come back through the office to sign back in.

Leaving School due to Illness

If your child is unwell during school hours the procedure is for them to come to the school office and be admitted into the sick bay area. The school office will then ring the parent/caregiver if they are required to go home. **Please discourage your child from texting asking to be picked up because they are feeling unwell.**

Wet Day Procedure

If the weather is cold, wet or inclement and restricts student activity the school will shorten the lunch hour by 15 minutes. School will finish at 2.45pm on such a day. To confirm that the day has been shortened telephone the school on 3322408 then press 2 as the office will leave a message on the voicemail under "school notices, early finishes and cancellations".

Cellphones

Below is our school's current policy on cellphones. Any home-school contact (phone call or text) is to be through the school office. Thank you for your co-operation.

Procedure 5.06

1. Cell phones

- a. Should a student bring a cell phone to school it is not to be used during the school day unless under direct supervision of a teacher when the device is used to assist learning. The basic rule is "Invisible, inaudible or in the office."
- b. Cell phones brought to school can be handed in to the school office for safe keeping and collected at the end of the day.
- c. Emergency messages for students are dealt with through the school office.

Naming of School Clothing

Please ensure that **all** school clothing is clearly named this should also include school hats, socks and shoes.

Concerns

If you have any concerns about your child's welfare or any situation which is impacting on your child that you feel needs addressing please do not hesitate to contact Polly Hutchinson, Associate Principal at any time.

Bikes, Scooters and Skateboards

We encourage students to build their independence by cycling, skating or scooting to school. Cycles are locked in the cycle compound and scooters and skateboards have a lock up behind Rutherford Pod. It's important that the cycle, skateboard or scooter is locked independently as the compounds are unlocked from 2:55pm to 8:50am the following morning. Any item left in overnight is at risk of being stolen. Please discuss this with your child, if they have e.g. Theatre Sports after school and their padlock isn't working, encourage them to take their wheels with them, it's not safe leaving them in an unlocked compound.

School Canteen

The school canteen is located at the end of the hall opposite the library. The canteen is open every morning from 8.20am. If you wish to order your lunch please do so **before** school. Order forms are available from the office, online from our website under the Home tab, General Information tab, Canteen tab and then double clicking the Canteen Price List and Order Form or from the canteen at the School. Snacks are available at morning and lunch breaks. Please remember juices are only available at lunch break. Please be patient when coming to purchase items, remember a smile, a please and thank you make our day a happy one. *Maryanne Mills– Canteen Manager*

School Uniform Donations

Donations of used school uniforms and shoes are always greatly appreciated at the school. If you have any of these items especially shoes, they can be made at the school office.

2017 TERM DATES

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

Christchurch South Intermediate PTA **School Uniform Trade**

Do you have a uniform you wish to sell?

Great!! List your items with us and we'll advertise them for you and put you in touch with interested buyers.

To list an item please email Jo Harrison at uniforms@chchsouth.ac.nz or phone 981 8136.

Do you wish to purchase a second hand uniform?

We can help!! Go to our school website:

www.chchsouth.ac.nz/PTA/UniformSales

to download the list of items for sale. You will then be able to make contact with the seller directly to make your purchase.

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.

Mainland Futsal Holiday Programmes (Indoor)

July: Age: 6-14 year olds Dates: 10th, 11th & 12th July 2017 (Week 1) 20th & 21st July 2017 (Week 2) Times: 9.00am – 3.00pm Venue: St Thomas's of Canterbury College (Week 1) Pioneer Stadium (Week 2) Cost: \$37.50 per day (\$112.50 for three consecutive days) 10% discount of second child when registering two or more siblings.

Keen to play?

Girls Only Futsal Holiday Programmes (indoor)

July: Age: 6-14 year olds Dates: 10th, 11th & 12th July 2017 (Week 1) 20th & 21st July 2017 (Week 2) Times: 9.00am – 3.00pm Venue: St Thomas's of Canterbury College (Week 1) Pioneer Stadium Week 2) Cost: \$37.50 per day (\$112.50 for three consecutive days) 10% discount of second child when registering two or more siblings.

Keen to play?

<http://www.mainlandfootball.co.nz/whole-of-football-plan/holiday-football/>

Mainland Outdoor Holiday Programmes

July:

Age: 7-14 year olds Dates: 13th & 14th July (Week 1) 17th & 18th July 2017 (Week 2) Times: 9.00am – 3.00pm Venue: English Park Cost: \$37.50 per day (\$112.50 for three consecutive days) 10% discount of second child when registering two or more siblings.

Keen to play

<http://www.mainlandfootball.co.nz/whole-of-football-plan/holiday-football/>

Pioneer Basketball Club July School Holiday Clinic at Pioneer Stadium

The two day clinics are suitable for beginners to those who are playing competitively and want to up skill on Shooting and Footwork.

Registrations are open to Boys and Girls from Y2-Y9 (6-13years). Our focus will be on Shooting and Footwork. Week 1 - Tue 11/Wed12 July 1-4pm each day. Week 2 - Tue 18/Wed 19 July 1-4pm each day. Register online to secure your space <http://www.sporty.co.nz/pioneerbasketballclub/July-Holiday-Clinics-for-Y2-Y9/HOLIDAY-CLINIC-INFO>

YMCA After School Recreation Programmes Term 3 Enrol now!

The YMCA Christchurch offers a wide range of after school recreational activities to cater for those of all ages and abilities, during school term time.

Miniball & Basketball

Get your child involved and see them develop skills, friendships and a team spirit while also staying fit and healthy.

Gymnastics & Dance

Both programmes are designed to help children develop their motor skills, confidence, balance and body awareness.

All programmes are \$95 a term. To enrol, pop in and see us at 13a Bishopdale Court, Bishopdale Mall, or for further information and online booking go to www.ymcachch.org.nz/children/recreation/

EPro8 Challenge: Now it is the Adults Turn

Recently Christchurch South Intermediate took part in the EPro8 Challenge - the science and engineering competition. Well now it is the adults turn. On 17 August your workplace or organisation can compete against others in Christchurch. You will work as a team to solve a range of fun engineering based challenges. This is a fantastic team building opportunity. For details and to register see www.epro8challenge.co.nz/business-events



OPEN EVENING
Thursday 27 July
6.30 – 8.00pm

- ◆ *Classroom Displays* ◆ *Technology Rooms* ◆
- ◆ *Visual and Performing Arts Rooms* ◆
- ◆ *Science Laboratory* ◆
- ◆ *Library and Information Suite* ◆
- ◆ *Media Studies and Digitech* ◆
- ◆ *Performance Groups* ◆
- ◆ *Physical Education Displays* ◆
- ◆ *Meet the Staff, Board of Trustees, and PTA* ◆

CALENDAR 2017

7 July	Last day Term 2
24 July	First day Term 3
27 July	Open Evening 6.30 – 8.00pm
1 August	ICAS English exam
15 August	ICAS Maths exam
22 August	CAIMS hockey tournament
24 August	Ski Trip
25 August	Dancing with the Staff
6 September	Aerobics, Hip Hop competition
12 – 14 September	Showcase
25 – 28 September	Broadgreen exchange
29 September	Last day Term 3