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Mayfield School Newsletter

12th April 2018

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Tena koutou katoa,

It is coming to the end of a busy term. I would like to thank everyone that has helped in any capacity this term. Without your support we wouldn't be able to run as many school events as we do and we are grateful for your help.

Staffing

As you will be aware Kate Bell will be leaving Mayfield to take up a permanent job at Allenton School. She will be leaving this Friday. We are working through the process of appointing a new teacher and will hope to make an announcement as soon as we can.

Grandparents Afternoon

Tomorrow is Grandparents day. We look forward to seeing your children's grandparents. They are welcome to come to school at 12, visit classes and then have lunch with their grandchild. Tea and coffee will be available in the library during lunch. Assembly will follow. After assembly you are welcome to stay for afternoon tea.

Car Wash

Thanks to the efforts of the children and parents we managed to raise \$410 from the car wash to contribute towards the cost of the camps. Thank you to everyone that brought their car down for a wash.

Trail Ride

A big thank to the Home and School and parents that gave up their Sunday to help with the trail ride.

Swim Week

Swim week will be in Week 2 of next term; 7^{th} - 11^{th} May. A note will come home on the first day of next term with the cost and information. We will require some parents to help with transport during the week.

Bus Routes

From the beginning of next term there will be some changes to the bus routes because of numbers and the time taken to complete each run. The Valetta is the bus route where there is the biggest change and your child should have brought home a letter explaining the new pick up and drop off times.

Kind Regards

Richard Kidd

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE CHILDREN THAT HAD A BIRTHDAY IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS... Ben Saxelby. Welcome to Cherise Loman and Sebastian Arenas who have started school.

Important dates in Term 1 and 2

13 th April	End of Term 1
13 th April	Grandparents afternoon and sharing assembly
30 th April	School starts for Term 2
2 nd May	PB4L meeting
4 th May	Year 7/8 tech- Back to being on Fridays.
7-11 th May	Swim Week
8 th May	Home and School Meeting- 1:30pm
11 th May	Year 7/8 tech
18 th May	Year 7/8 tech
21 st May	BOT meeting
22 nd May	Opuke COL Teacher Only Afternoon- School closes 1pm
25 th May	Year 7/8 tech

Canterbury Primary School Swimming Sports

Well done to Ella McDowell, Max, Emily and Issy who competed in the Canterbury Swimming Sports last week. Max, Emily and Issy competed in the Year 5 mixed relay and came 4th. Issy came 3rd in the Year 5 girl's breaststroke, Emily 9th in Year 5 girls freestyle and Max 20th in Year 5 boys freestyle.

Merino Jerseys

From Term 2 Merino School Jerseys will be \$90. This increase in price is due to a suppliers increase.

ICAS Test

Every year we offer ICAS tests. ICAS is an international test with over 20 countries participating. These tests start from Year 4 and go up to Year 8.

ICAS tests are available in Spelling, Writing, Maths and English. Please contact the office if you are interested in your child taking part in these tests. The costs of these tests are: English and Maths \$9.50, Spelling \$11.50 and Writing \$20.50.

School Events









The children washed a variety of vehicles at the car wash including a milk tanker and a police car. Brett Fairweather the creator of Jump Jam came to school to do a Jump Jam demonstration.

ANZAC Day Service

Once again ANZAC Day is approaching and The Mayfield and Districts Red Poppy Society Inc (formerly Mayfield Anzac Committee) extend an invitation to the pupils and parents to attend the service on the 25 April 2018.

The Parade assembles in the Panther Rock Café car park at 9.30am, leaving at 9.45am and marches to the hall for a service starting at 10.00am. There will be a collection at the service and morning tea to follow. A plate is welcome.

Some Poppies will be left at the school office for the children and staff to purchase.

It will be great to have some children attend. If children are attending they will need to come dressed in school uniform.

Skool Loop App

Another form of school communication is in the form of the app called skool loop. Previous it was the Parent Teacher app. It can be downloaded from Google Play or the App store. You then need to choose Mayfield School. On this app you will find a school calendar, school newsletters and other features. The website link is https://www.skoolloop.com

Download for the New Zealand Skool Loop App





Double Bed to give away

Wendy, 0274288084 has a double bed and a set of draws to give away.

Buses

Please if you child is going to be absent, text the bus drivers in the morning to tell them as this saves the bus drivers sitting at stops waiting. Also remember to inform the school that your child is going to be absent.

Relief Bus Drivers

If there is anybody out there who would like to become a relief bus driver please contact Richard at school.

Childcare

A parent is requesting childcare for her children before school from 7:30 and after school until 4pm Monday to Thursday. Please contact school if you can help.

BOOST needs volunteer tutors for Mayfield School



My name is Judith Sommerville, I live at Springburn and I coordinate the Boost programme in Mid Canterbury. Presently, we are in 14 schools in Ashburton, Methven and the Foothills with 145 students and 40 volunteer tutors. We are making a difference and in 2018 and need a new tutor for Mayfield school starting in term 2. We have secured funding from Advance Ashburton and the McKenzie Trust for the next 5 years to continue and to expand into new schools.

This is a <u>locally funded child literacy initiative</u>, which has been set up to support and improve the literacy success rates for our children. It is aimed at children 7 to 8 years old who need a BOOST to achieve in literacy.

- ✓ The programme runs for 30 weeks (March to November)
- ✓ 2 hours of tuition twice a week, 2 children per tutor during tuition, (each tutor has 4 students so they have two students then the next 2)
- ✓ Tuition is at the school, in the morning (11 to 12 30 in Mayfield)
- ✓ BOOST is a 30 week programme during school terms and full training is given
- ✓ As volunteers if you need time away we work it out
- ✓ The BOOST programme complements the school programme
- ✓ Information about the 'Steps' approach can be viewed at www.learningstaircase.co.nz
- ✓ BOOST supply all of the materials required (laptops, workbooks, resources)
- ✓ BOOST is free to the school and the child

Anecdotal comments from teachers include the following

- My children are now close to achieving, due to Boost.
- Very good for children with 'dyslexia'
- Children loving it. Can't wait to go to their lessons.
- Lovely relationship has developed between tutor and child. Especially nice for these particular children to have someone special to relate to.
- Children are more confident to have a go and take part in class activities.

If you think you could be a tutor for BOOST we would love to have you. We do a police check and full training. I know it is a big commitment, but very rewarding if you would like to help or know someone who would help please contact me winterviewfarm@gmail.com Judith Sommerville 0273754241



Mayfield Home and School committee are excited to announce a fundrasing evening with Ethal and Bethal the Bingo Babes on Friday 6th July 2108, to be held at the Mayfield community hall. Tickets will go on sale next term. We are seeking sponsorship for prizes but if you have anything you could donate for auction or raffle prizes we would love to hear from you. We look forward to a fun and successful evening.

Working Bee on Friday 20th April from 1pm for work on the fort. Some



parent help would be appreciated in helping pull the little fort down and helping the Mayfield Lions secure the surrounds containing the pea gravel. If someone had a post driver that would be handy along with crowbars, hammers and hammer drills and maybe the odd shovel. You can use me as a point of contact. If weather is no good look at the following Friday at same time.

Cheers Mark Greenslade 0276036414

Child care required for two children age 6 & 9 years old. Monday – Thrusday 7.30am to 8.45 and Monday & Tuesday 2.45 – 4pm aprox. Please call 027 9445972 Kirsty