

St John's Girls' School

Newsletter

11 May 2018

Principal's Comments

Tena koutou katoa – Greetings to you all.

Welcome to term 2. The girls are settled and generally working well. We are very excited as the Parent's Association are donating \$3000 towards a 'mud kitchen'. As parents know children learn a lot through structured play, with means having an adult nearby to guide them through challenges if necessary.

They develop:

- speech and language skills as well listening skills
- more sophisticated levels of interaction with others
- social skills
- their imagination and creativity
- their vocabulary and ability to communicate

The area is going to be developed outside Room 1. It will have a sandpit, with a cover to keep cats out, water troughs, a mud kitchen area, (but the girls will only be using sand as we don't want you dealing with dirty uniforms every night!) and ideally a building area. The girls will have protective clothing to keep them as clean and dry as possible. The plan is that the area will be used as part of the reading/writing rotation, during the afternoon programme and at breaks. It's use and the area itself, will evolve.

Bonus Trophy Winners

Congratulations to the recipients of these special trophies. The girl in each class who has the greatest number of bonus points, receives this trophy. Bonus points are given in recognition for showing our values, for good work, improved work, behaviour.....

Room 1	Mia Reilly	Room 7	Amanda Henderson
Room 2	Greer Macpherson	Room 6	Katie Pope
Room 3	Lily Hillman	Room 5	Katie Unahi
Room 4	Sienna Hunter		

Well done girls.

2018 St John's Girls' School Health Consultation - Responses due by Friday 18th May

I sent you some information about our health programme towards the end of last term with a three question survey attached but I didn't put in a 'due' date. Can these please be returned to the box in the office (one per family) by 18th May or emailed to (office@stjohnsgirls.school.nz) but it will no longer be anonymous. In anticipation, thank you for having your say.

The three questions are below.

What areas of health are we doing well?

What aspects of health education do you think we could improve?

Any other comments?

eg. Do you have any ideas how we could work together to deal with common issues?

Review of the Physical Education Programme

As I have previously indicated, we are about to review the PE programme. This is the programme run by Mrs Hawke and Mrs Brand during the school day. It does not involve after school sports. I will email you some information and invite your feedback.

Have a lovely weekend

Nga mihi nui (Kind regards)
Brenda Mackay

Parents Association News

Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

We hope you are all keeping warm and cosy now that the cold weather has hit us. We have had a great start to this year with many new faces joining the committee.

After our busy year last year organising the fair it is great seeing the new playground equipment installed and how the girls are having a great time exploring and playing on it. In addition to the playground equipment we have also been able to purchase new furniture for the junior school.

With some of the remaining funds raised we are going to fund the development of a very exciting play and learn area. Watch for photos on Facebook. We are also purchasing a very cool signpost which will highlight the different areas within the school. The directions will be in English and Te reo. This was Holly Keary's idea. She researched it during the bicultural study in 2016 (when she was a Year 4 student) but there were not sufficient school funds to go ahead with it.

There are some other items approved for purchase but we are waiting to confirm the exact details before we announce them.

As last year was such a massive fundraising year we are keeping our fundraising to a minimum this year. We have organised a foil, baking paper fundraiser as we have been approached by parents requesting this as their supplies were running low.

Details of both these fundraisers are on Facebook and forms for the baking paper wrap have gone home with the girls.

Thank you for all your fantastic support.

Be in quick...

We have colby and cheddar cheese available for \$7 a kg.

Cash sales only at the school office on a first in first served basis.

This was kindly donated to the school by Open Country Dairies.



TERM DATES:**Term 2****May**

14th	Sausage Sizzle—funds raised go to Leukaemia & Blood Foundation
15th	Junior Storytelling
21st	BOT Meeting 5.30pm
22nd	Cyber Safety Yrs 7 & 8 Parents welcome
23rd	Mutfi Day Cyber Safety Yrs 3,4,5,6 Parents welcome 'Playhouse' 2pm Visiting performers
24th	Cross Country 1.30pm
28th	Young Leaders—Dunedin
29th	ICAS Science

June

4th	Queens Birthday—no school
5th	BOP meeting 7pm
6th	Speech Exam Yr 7 Zone Cross Country
7th	Speech Exam Yr 8
8th	Speech Exam Yr 6
11-14th	ERO visit
18th	BOT meeting 5.30pm
19-22nd	Life Education
22nd	Reports Out Southland Cross Country
27th	Interviews start 2.15pm <u>school closes 2pm</u>
28th	Interviews start 3.15pm

July

4th & 5th	Drama Festival
6th	Stripes Last day Term 2

Term 3**July**

23rd	First day Term 3
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Congratulations to the following girls who received awards recently—

Room 1	Nakaysha Fraser, Avé Valoa-Jack, Saige Geary
Room 2	Sophie Purdon, Meila Spain, Leah McEwan, Avé Valoa-Jack, Greer Macpherson, Sophie Purdon
Room 3	Amelia King, Charlotte Torrington Sapphira Cook, Christabel Billcliff, Morgan Lau, Lucy Watt
Room 4	Georgia Buchanan, Janika Stirling Alicia Purdon, Molly Stockman, Grace Pope, Niamh Doherty
Room 5	Katie Dennis, Lucy Bird, Grace Watson, Olivia Corson
Room 6	Ella Burdon, Anita White, Madison Butler, Ella Erksine, Samantha Schol, Emma Pope
Room 7	Amy Brand, Elizabeth Somerville, Jaylah Harvey De-Clifford, Isabella Rhind, Gwenevere Chalmers, Laura McDowall

Values Cup:

13 April	Lilyana Ultee	Rm 6
4 May	Grace Watson	Rm 5
11 May	Gwynedd Ryder	Rm 1

RE M I N D E R S**ABSENCES:**

If your child is sick please phone the office or email both the office and class teacher.

office@stjohnsgirls.school.nz

If you are informing the school of a future date your daughter is going to absent please send a note to the school office (Mrs McEntyre will inform the class teacher) or email dates etc to the office and class teacher.

If a child is not at school and we haven't heard from you Mrs McEntyre will phone to check.

Uniform Sales and Purchases

If you need Mrs Lang to supply you with any uniform item please ensure you tell her what size you require.

If you are unsure let Mrs Lang know what size your daughter currently wears and ask for the next size up etc. Socks go on their shoe size.

The uniform shop will buy back some good, clean second hand items, depending on what is already in stock. If you wish to sell back your daughters kilt do so in Term 4 as there are always people looking when they purchase on uniform days for the following year.

We will also buy back netball skorts in good order at the end of the season.

Mrs Lang can now take appointments from 8.30am until 3.30pm. She is using her hours flexibly so she can appointment as she is not always available.
mlang@stjohnsgirls.school.nz

Out of School Music

Music Awareness classes in term 2 for students aged 5-6 years. A great introduction to music. Classes runs for 6 weeks on Saturday morning 9.30—10.15am at Southland Girls High School. Cost—\$25.00
Contact Deborah 2165137 (answerphone) or email admin@osmc.co.nz

ROOM FOR ONE MORE..

There are children and young people in your community who need the support of foster families. Family Works are seeking people (couples or singles) to welcome children and young people into their homes. Care may be needed for regular respite, temporary short-term or long-term. Family Works will support you with training, ongoing guidance and foster care reimbursement.

Please contact: Deborah Blomfield on 03 2118214, email dblomfield@familyworkssld.nz or Nicky Bode after 11 June 2018, 03 2118226 email nbode@familyworkssld.nz

If you require more information please feel free to contact Deborah on 21182214

ROOM 4—Years 3 & 4—Miss Smillie

What's happening in Room 4

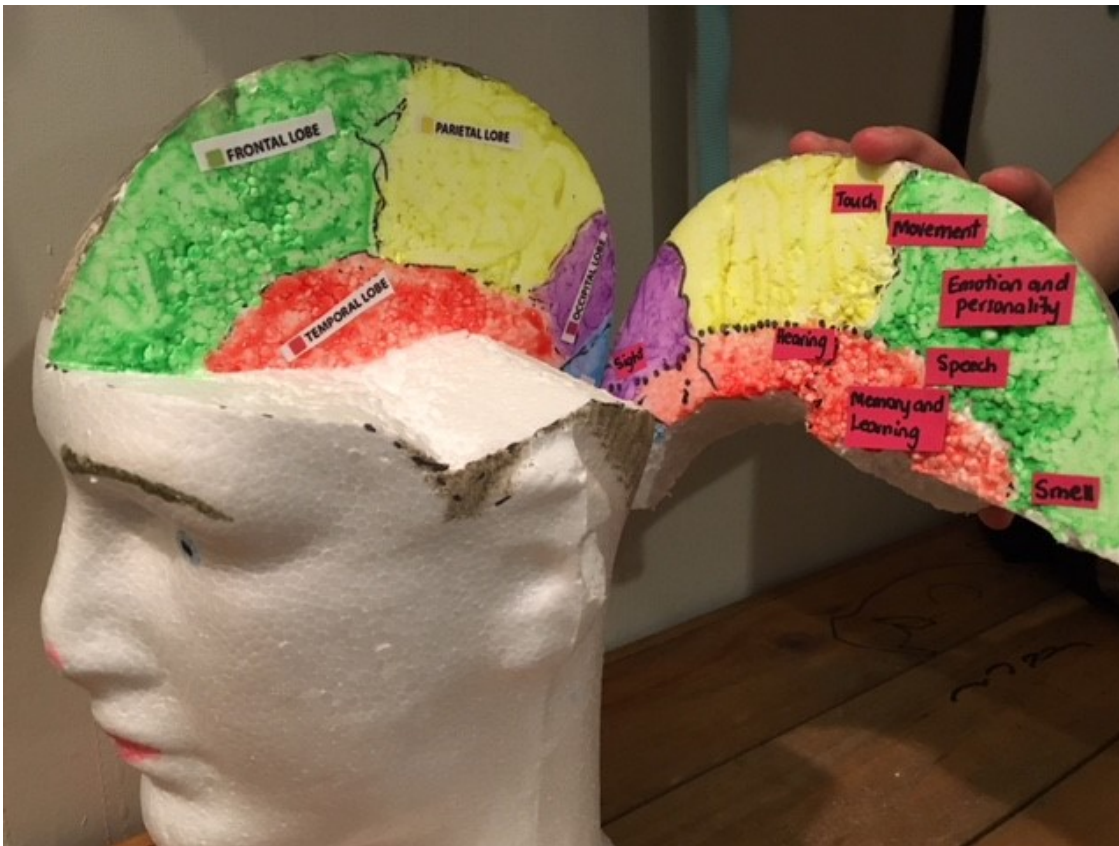
Inquiry

In inquiry we are learning about 'How our Body Works'. We are learning about the parts in our body, how they work and how to keep them healthy and strong. Some of us are going to try and make a difference by telling others how their body works. Others are wanting to act on their learning of cancer and the heart and are keen to collect and fundraise to support the Heart Foundation and the Cancer Society. We know that we can make a difference in other people's lives.

We are creating 3D models to show people and inform them about their body and teach them how it works and how to look after it. We have been working very hard to find information about what can happen to our body and how to fix it. Sienna Macpherson is learning about how the brain works. Sienna is making a model of the brain and labelling the different parts.

By Grace, Pippa, Sofia and Meah.

Sienna's Brain Model



Reading

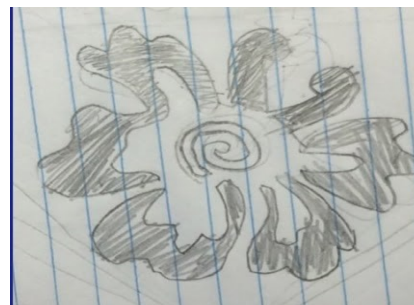
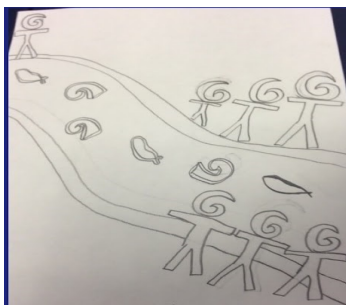
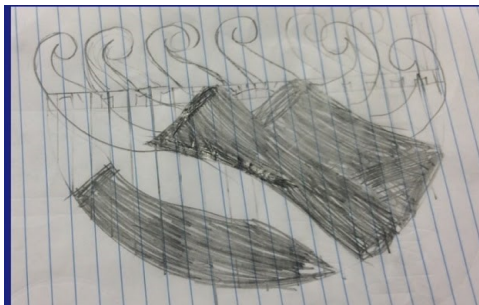
In Reading we are learning how to read fluently in our reading groups. The teacher asks questions and some of the reading groups like the Magic Magentas, Green Beans and O-mazing Oranges are learning to ask questions themselves through the book. The Purple People group are learning to find clues or evidence that confirms what they are thinking.

We are also doing a taskboard. Taskboard is when you do tasks about the body. We have 9 tasks. Some of the tasks are art so some people are doing pastel or painting. We are reading about amazing facts, here is one. There are 206 bones in an adults body.

We also do spelling practice and spelling rules that we have as an activity to help us with our dictation activity.

Spelling practice is a word list and spelling rules is something we learn to help us with our spelling lessons. Like a few weeks ago we looked at taking off the 'e' and adding 'ing' —for example shave - shaving.

By Ella, Niamh and Sienna Hunter



Art

Room 4 are creating T-shirt designs in art for the Polyfest Art competitions.

The theme is 'Storytelling'. First we have to draw our design in our art book then we show it to Miss Smillie.

We then develop our ideas to improve them. When we have our final design we draw the good copy on A4 paper.

We then send it to the people who are in charge of the Polyfest. After that we are creating more art for the Polyfest Art Competition!

By Sarah, Lucia, Alicia and Sienna Macpherson.

Cycling Safety

Year 4 and 5 girls are participating in a cycling safety programme.

There were a few people who did not know how to ride a bike without training wheels and now they are riding by themselves. We learnt to scooter on our bikes and how to get on our bikes safely. We have learnt how to signal when we turn left and right and when we are stopping. At the end of our lesson we get to play a game. It is really fun.

By Georgia and Paige

Speech

This term in speech we are preparing for our speech exams. The year fives are doing books reports, poems and their speech boards.

A book report is when you pick your favourite book and tell the examiner your opinion on the book and your favourite bit and you have to rate it out of ten.

There are also poems. In the poems you have a group and you practice and practice until you think you've mastered it then you present it in front of the examiner and if she smiles you've pleased her. She decides if you have a distinction, highly commended, commended and pass.

We also have speech boards and we pick a topic and share information about the topic to the examiner. In the exam you are not allowed cards to read off and you are also not allowed to read off the speech board. If you are doing the speech on a pet you can bring your pet in to show her as long as it's in a cage or on a leash.

The Year 4s are doing a board and a poem too. Their board has to be on an activity that they have participated in or an event that's happening and their poem is like the Year 5s. Their poem choices are out of this world.

Our speech teachers are lovely. We have Mrs Dawkins & Mrs Wilcox-Clarke who are incredible teachers and amazing people.

By Lucy, Janika and Bailey.

Maths

Maestros have been learning to use their 2 times tables to work out their 4 times tables. Like $4 \times 6 =$ so you go... $2 \times 6 = 12$ and then $2 \times 6 = 12$ again. Then $12 + 12 = 24$ and that's how you work it out!

Masters have been learning how to use our two times table to work out their three times tables. Like $3 \times 8 =$ so you go... $2 \times 8 = 16$ then add another 8 and you get 24.

Whizzes are learning to use place value to work out multiplication problems in the hundreds. We break the number into three different parts, hundreds, tens and ones then plus all the numbers together to make one number. We do a practice to understand what we are learning.

Geniuses are learning the doubling and halving strategy. If you double one number, you have to halve the other number. $5 \times 14 = 10 \times 7$

By Lilly, Molly, Sophie and Kiri

ROOM 5—Year 8—Mr Hughes

This week the Year 8s have been very busy with their portrait artwork. We all are very pleased with our final product. There has been a lot of learning about different shades and how to mix paint. The project has been just like a technical paint by numbers. We all handed in our statistical investigations last Friday. Everyone made the deadline comfortably and we are so proud of our efforts. It was great to complete one for the second time around. This time we were far more confident and we've all learnt so much from the process.



We have made yummy savoury scones, bread and a one-pan cooked breakfast in food technology. These were very tasty and we all had success! All of these dishes were very easy to make. Mr Hughes is incredibly impressed with how well we clean up and work as teams. We can't wait to see what recipes are coming up in the next few weeks.

Today we spent the day in a self-defence course. We learnt how to defend ourselves should we ever need to. The course helped to empower us and give us greater confidence as young women. We are approaching the upcoming drama festival and can't wait to get stuck into bringing a classical tale to the stage, but we won't give too much away at this stage...

We have all had a great first two weeks and can't wait for what's ahead.

YEAR 7 DUNEDIN CAMP 2018

The day had finally come... Room 6 zoomed off to have a special time in Dunedin for our class camp. We set off in our travelling groups feeling excited and energetic for what we were about to experience. On the way we were singing and talking to try and entertain ourselves. When we arrived in Gore we took some pictures by the brown trout and the gold guitar. After a few stops we finally arrived at the holiday park in Dunedin ready to explore! We went straight to the camping ground to settle in and put our stuff away. The holiday park had everything that we needed. It had a kitchen and a bathroom in each bedroom. That night we participated in a BP challenge which is where you get into small groups and create a garment. We also shared our skits. They were really hilarious to watch and it was so much fun. Everyone really enjoyed the parents and teacher synchronised swimming skit - "WOW!"

(Holly and Sam)

I buzzed with excitement when we got into the Early Settlers Museum. Sara, our tour guide, took us into the education room. We marked on a map where our ancestors came from. Most of our ancestors came from England, Ireland and Scotland. We went and got dressed into olden day clothes. We all made up a family group name. I was Agnes King. We set sail on a ship and waved goodbye to our wonderful birth country. We were heading to a better place. It was so much fun getting to reenact life aboard a sailing ship in the early 1800s while thinking about what our ancestors went through. We also went up a staircase and pretended we were in an old fashioned classroom and Sara the tour guide was the MEAN TEACHER. It was so funny and a really fun experience.

(Ella E and Natalia)

Room 6 leapt up and down as we arrived at Larnach's Castle. We were all so excited to continue learning about this historic castle. We were greeted at the door by Christine who was an ex-student of St John's. Christine was so energetic and passionate about Larnach's Castle. She told us a lot about the Larnach's family and their history. The first room we saw was the music room. It was interesting to see how the lights and pianos worked back then. I was very surprised when I found out the gas from human and farm animal manure was used to light their chandelier. Room 6 explored all around Larnach's Castle. We even went right to the top of the Castle. We could see everything and the view was amazing. At the end of our tour, we got into our day groups to do a garden treasure hunt. We had to find Alice in Wonderland objects.

(Madison, Katie, Ella B)

After our amazing castle tour, we were itching to go to the Marine Science Centre because leading up to camp we found out that we were going to dissect squid and learn about sea animals. We were greeted by some lovely ladies who study at the centre. They escorted us to a humongous science lab, where we learnt a lot about the creatures of the deep with suckers and tentacles. After we had taken in all the knowledge, we split into groups. One of the groups had an amazing tour through the science centre. We also got to see a tiny little octopus in a glass tank. The other group went into a room and started touching orange and red starfish with several long skinny arms. Some girls started touching the slimy thick creatures called sea cucumbers. Other girls were nervous and didn't want to touch the sea animals however by the end their hands were all in the water picking up everything in sight. Now the part everyone had been waiting for - dissecting the squid. Everyone had their hands in squishing, cutting and examining the parts of the arrow squid. We dissected it and found the dark beak. Also we all lifted up their tentacles to see who had boys and who had girls. The time just flew by and it was soon time to go. Some girls kept their beaks and ink pens from the squid dissection. Everyone loved it and I bet it was the main topic of conversation in the car ride to the Albatross Colony.

(Kobi and Ivy)

After an awesome time at the Marine Science Centre we leapt into the cars and raced down to the Albatross Colony. When we arrived at the Albatross Colony, we dashed inside. We had two lovely ladies teach us about the life of the Albatross. They also dressed Katie up as a gigantic Albatross. Next we went up to the lookout. When we got there we saw four fluffy, white baby albatross sitting in the long green grass waiting patiently for their parents to come back to feed them. Then all of the sudden, a juvenile albatross started gliding around in the bright blue sky. It landed near a fluffy baby albatross. Then seven other albatross started gliding around before landing. It was amazing to watch. We then went up into a hidden look out where there were heaps of different old telephones that the army used. The main telephone went to the gun pit which was where the enormous disappearing gun was. We found out a lot about the gun and that it had never been fired in a battle (only in training). After we finished at the awesome Albatross Colony, we bolted down to the Seal Colony. We saw two seals, one on the rock and the other one splashing and swimming around in the freezing, cold water.

(Asha)

After we finished at the Albatross Colony, we quickly rushed back to the holiday park and gobbled up our scrumptious dinner. We leapt back in the cars and set off faster than the speed of sound. We all arrived at Moana Pool in no time. It sounded like thunder when we raced quickly up the stairs to get to the pool. We were buzzing with excitement while diving into the glistening water. Everyone splashed, swam and dived into the water. After rushing down the fast slippery hydro slide, we all attempted to leap off the diving boards. It was a blast but the scary thing was that we dived off the highest board! That was end of our amazing trip to Moana Pool. We had so much fun!
(Lindsay)

On the last day of Room 6's Camp, we all went to the Art Museum. Everyone was jumping with excitement. What kind of art will we see? What are we going to draw? The class rushed in a herd to the entrance of the Art Museum. We were guided by a man named John. We were allowed to wander around for a little bit looking at a few masterpieces. John chose 3 students from our class to pick one of their favourite pieces of art from a big selection. Every piece of art had a story about it. We then went to the drawing room. John showed us an example of what we were about to draw. We drew and painted the amazing albatross, adorable seals and blue penguins on a moonlit harbour with the lighthouse in the distance. To see the art Room 6 made, you can go onto the following website <http://education.dunedin.art.museum/education-programmes>. Go into the Dunedin part of the website, then into Harbour, and lastly Moonlit Harbour.
(Eva and Samara)

Bounce! Bounce! Bounce! We are in Leap bouncing like hooligans, playing dodgeball, tag, basketball and so much more. We were at Leap for one and a half hours. After all of our energy died down, we had a scrumptious lunch and then it was auction time. Everyone got very cool prizes. It was official - Dunedin Camp had sadly come to an end.
(Sara and Emma)

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful camp parents – Katie Ultee, Nicola Beck, John Schol and Garry Sexton. The camp would not have been the same without you. Your enthusiasm and support was greatly appreciated. Thank you.





ROOM 7—Year 6—Mrs Taylor

Room 7 have used Google docs to work collaboratively on our article for the newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading about how busy we have been.

English

In English we are learning how to write a good summary. We are reading interesting stories and then making a summary about them by writing down key points and then using them in a quick recap. This is coming into our inquiry too, because we are reading and watching some videos about Matariki and summarising them.

Holly, Laura & Brooke

Inquiry



On Friday 5th May we went to the public library to learn about Matariki. This was to start us off on our new inquiry topic. Megan, the woman there, presented a slideshow and told us a story about Matariki. She had set some storytelling activities up for us to do. All of the activities required us to use our creativity! Most of us particularly liked the activity where we had to use some story dice that have drawings on them. Whatever was on the dice we had to make up a sentence that continued the story.

Gwenevere, Meila and Kacee

MATHS

At the end of last term and the start of this term we learnt how to use statistics to investigate about which were better value, Skittles or M & M's. We start by collecting our data using tally charts or tables. We created graphs to show what we found out so we could show people our findings. We found out that M&M were better, because you got 16 M&M's in each bag and with Skittles you only got 15. So it is better value to buy M&M's.

We are now learning how to do multiplication and division. We are using other times tables that we already know to help us find the answer to bigger problems.

Amanda, Abigail, Anna

Physical Education

This term we are practicing for cross country. Mrs Hawke has made a special course for us to run around, with some obstacles to make it fun. This Thursday we are racing the person that is nearly the same pace as us for a little competition. We hope all your kids have fun at cross country.

Hannah & Greer

Music

On Wednesday we have music lessons. Last term we were using the recorder. It went well and was lots of fun! We got to learn about the A, B and G notes. After we had a whole term of practicing we were able to use the books and read most of the notes. We sounded like angels! You have to use your left hand and fingers a lot! We all enjoyed playing the recorder and hope to be able to learn more about it in the future.

Isabella, Jaylah and Louella.

Health

This term we have been learning about growing up and how to handle puberty. We have learnt what happens to your body when you become a teenager/young adult, such as your behaviour, emotions and that you will become taller, hairier and smellier. Ewww, yuck!!!

Millie, Kacee, Lucy

Speech Exams

This term Room 7 is doing speech exams in Week 6. For our speech exams we have to do a talk for 2-3 minutes off by heart about the topic we picked. We also have to do a poem that also has to be learned off by heart. Since we are Year 6 now the last thing we have to do is a novel. We don't actually need to read the novel word for word. We read 100 words out of a part we picked in our book so it's not as hard as it sounds.

SPORTS NEWS

TABLE TENNIS

We have entered Laura McDowall into the primary school's competition which started on Thursday 10th May. We have entered two teams in the Junior High competition which started on Tuesday 8th May:

St John's Spinners: Bailey Bennett and Sara Reynolds

St John's Topspin: Lindsay Black and Asha Dickson

Good luck girls!



CROSS COUNTRY

Our school cross country will be held on Thursday 24th May at Queens Park (opposite Avenal Street), from 1:30pm – 3:00pm. The postponement day will be Friday 25th May from 1:30pm – 3:00pm.



MOTHER EARTH futureFERNs NETBALL PROGRAMME

The Year 1-4 programme started on Thursday 10th May. Session groups are available on our website or the Invercargill Netball website www.invercargillnetball.co.nz - Click on >Junior

As your daughter is representing the school please send her along in her school PE uniform and gym shoes. Please remember a drink bottle too.



The Year 5/6 season started on Tuesday 8th May. Our Year 6 team, St John's Shooters, is coached by Mrs Jo Keary and our Year 5/6 team, St John's Diamonds, is managed by Debbie Black. Both teams have been busy practicing with Mrs Keary and are looking forward to the season starting.

Please remember that players are not to wear jewellery (including watches and earrings) on court, on game days.

Please check the INC website for any updates, weekly draws, upcoming courses etc. www.invercargillnetball.co.nz

Good luck girls!

JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

Good luck to our Y7/8 basketball teams who have semi-finals next Tuesday, 15th May .



SATURDAY NETBALL

The Junior High competition started on Saturday 5th May with grading games. Congratulations to the St John's Steel who have been moved to the Secondary School competition.

St John's Steel (SS G2) coached by Mrs Sharon Hampton and Mrs Trudy Slee

St John's Magic (Grade 2) coached by Mrs Netty Dennis

St John's Pulse (Grade 3) coached by Mrs Glenda Corson and Mrs Gina Stevens

St John's Tactix (Grade 4) coached by Mrs Bernie Pope and Mrs Jo Keary



Please remember that girls are not to wear jewellery (including watches and earrings) on court on game days.

Please check the INC website for any updates, weekly draws, upcoming courses etc. www.invercargillnetball.co.nz

Key information has been added to our school website. Go to After School Sport > Term 2 > Saturday netball.

HOCKEY

The Hockey Southland competitions started last week. The weekly draws are available via our school website and the Hockey Southland website www.hockeysouthland.co.nz.

The Primary School Coordinator has asked that only children playing and their coach be on the turf. All spectators are to stay behind the fence. Hockey Southland staff will be policing this as it is a health and safety matter.

If games have to be cancelled, the call will be made by 2:00pm and posted on Hockey Southland's Facebook page and website. I will also send out an email and post the cancellation on our Facebook and Sporty page as soon as I receive the cancellation notice. If there is a cancellation on any given week, that week's draw will not be played. The teams will continue through the draw as it is set out on the Hockey Southland website. Please make sure your daughter has her mouth guard and shin guards. Mouth guards are compulsory and your daughter will not be able to play without one.



SOUTHLAND SCHOOLS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to the following students who were placed at the Swimming Champs held at Splash Palace on Sunday 8th April 2018.

Grace Pope *Girls age 9:* 1st 25m Freestyle, 1st 25m Backstroke, 1st Breaststroke, 1st 25m Butterfly

Elizabeth Somerville: *Girls aged 10:* 1st 25m Freestyle, 1st 25m Backstroke, 1st Breaststroke, 1st 25m Butterfly

Anita White: *Girls aged 11:* 1st 50m Freestyle, 2nd 50m Backstroke, 1st 50m Freestyle

Also congratulations to:

Elizabeth Somerville, Grace Pope, Hannah Middlemass and Lucia Hughes who were placed 3rd in the Mixed Y6 & under 100m Freestyle relay.

Elizabeth Somerville, Grace Pope, Hannah Middlemass and Sofia Campbell-Wall who were placed 1st in the Mixed Y6 & under 100m Medley relay.

Anita White, Asha Dickson, Meg Pope and Abbie Middlemass who were placed 2nd in the Girls Y7/8 100m Freestyle relay.

A huge thank you also to **Mrs Sue White** and **Suz Middlemass** who managed the girls on the day. It is a really busy day for you and we really appreciate the time you put into organising the girls and making sure they were ready for their events.

SOUTHLAND ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the following girls who were placed at the Southland Primary Schools Athletics Sports which were held on Saturday 8th April.

Abbie Middlemass 11-year-old girls: 2nd High Jump

Angeline Crowe: 12-year-old girls: 2nd 200m dash

Results are available at:

<http://www.sportsouthland.co.nz/asset/downloadasset?id=8d47a82d-d1ac-4289-9182-92fcaa7c68d6>

Well done girls. A superb effort!



RUGBY SOUTHLAND INDOOR RIPPA RUGBY SERIES 2018

What: An innovative fast paced version of Rippa Rugby played indoors. With only FOUR players on the court at once, and a maximum of SIX players in a team everyone will have the perfect opportunity to have a go at playing rugby. The competition will be played out over a five-week period.

Who: Grades will be single gender and only available to all children in Years 3-6.

Where: ILT Stadium Southland

When: Every Thursday from 26th July - August 23rd

Refereeing: Teams will need to provide a referee each week.

If your daughter is interested in playing, please fill out the online registration via our SPORTY app or school website.

****Registration of teams in this competition will be strictly reliant on each team having a manager/referee.****

REPRESENTATIVE NEWS



Kobi represented Southland on Saturday 28th April in a table tennis tournament against Otago.

Kobi won her age group, however when the points were added up over all of the age groups, Otago took home the shield.

Fantastic effort Kobi!

*If your daughter has **made a representative team or has excelled in her sport**, please remember to inform either myself or Mrs McEntyre in the school office so we can acknowledge it in the newsletter. If they participated in a St John's Girls' School sports team we will note this for end of year achievement certificates and for Y7/8 stripes. Thank you. My email is sports@stjohnsgirls.school.nz*

COMMUNITY SPORTS NOTICES

BADMINTON SOUTHLAND

Shuttle Time for beginners aged 5 to 12. This is a free coaching session on Wednesdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm and is run by the Badminton Southland coach.

SOUTHLAND ORIENTEERING CLUB INC – Sunday 13th May. To register see the link below:
<https://sites.google.com/site/schoolochamps/home>

HOCKEY

The IHA are seeking applications from those who may be interested in COACHING our Finch Rose Bowl Woman's Team along with COACHING or SELECTING our Collier, Development Boys, Development Girls and Year 5 & 6 Development teams for 2018.

Collier & Girls/Boys Festival Trials will be held late June. Year 5&6 Trials date are yet to be confirmed. There are Southern Regional pretournament days which the u13 teams are expected to attend. Applications for Finch Rose Bowl Team will close on Thursday April 12th 2018. Applications for Collier, Development Girls, Boys and Year 5&6 will close on Thursday May 10th 2018.

Please contact Sue at invercargillhockey@gmail.com for further information and an application form.

- 🏆 Senior Women - Rose Finch Bowl, Queens Birthday weekend in Oamaru
- 🏆 Collier Trophy - Oct 8th-13th October in North Harbour
- 🏆 Under 13 Development Boys Oct - 8th-10th in Cromwell
- 🏆 Under 13 Development Girls - Oct 5th-7th October in Cromwell
- 🏆 Year 5 & 6 Girls – 3 satellite tournaments during Aug & Sept in Cromwell, Invercargill and Dunedin
- 🏆 Year 5 & 6 boys – 3 satellite tournaments during Aug & Sept in Cromwell, Gore and Dunedin

JENNIAN HOMES MOTHER'S DAY FUN RUN/WALK

Many families are affected by heart disease and have lost mothers, sisters, aunties and daughters. The Mother's Day 5k walk/run is inspired by the Heart Foundation for Women campaign which celebrates the energy, passion and power women have to band together to beat heart disease.

This 5k course will begin at Thomsons Bush and follow the scenic (and flat) Waihopai walkway between Queens Drive and Dee Street. Women of all ages and fitness abilities are invited to join in. Scooters and bicycles are not permitted.