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Principal: Taitu'uga Geoff Siave

Kia Ora Talofa Greetings Namaste Kamusta Guten Da Bula Konichi Wa
Anyoung haseyo Malo e lelei Salaam Alaikum Bore da

Newsletter Communication

We have ceased using textstream. To keep up to date with our newsletters (and minimises surprises!) please get the **Flexibuzz** app on your phone or computer. Other options are to check our website for the latest newsletter. A link to the website is on our Facebook page. We will send paper copies home to families who are not on Flexibuzz. Other advantages of Flexibuzz are that it is private to our school subscribers, and it a convenient communication method for notices and updates (eg. sport cancellation, lockdown).

Teachers Strike Action

The union meetings for teachers were held last week. Thank you for your cooperation over this. The two teachers' unions have voted to **strike on Wednesday 29 May**. We shall update you if there is any change to this.

WHAT WE ARE CAMPAIGNING FOR?

- More teachers – so your kids can get more attention
- More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs
- A pay jolt to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage – so that your children will have a teacher in the future

Teacher only Day Friday 31 May (immediately before Queens Birthday Weekend. This has been in each school newsletter since 20 February. In addition to allowing teachers to focus on professional development, this day gives us the opportunity to see other schools while they are in action - impossible to do during the holidays. We will visit schools who have made positive gains when facing similar challenges to what we face. We will be also learning more about raising levels of active engagement of children in their learning. **Please make alternative arrangements for your child on Friday 31 May.** We realise that this may be the second time you will need to do this within the same week because of the potential teacher strike day, but - because of the reasons stated above - we will still proceed with the planned teacher only day because of the long-term benefits for our staff, and- ultimately - our children.

Mufti Day Tomorrow Friday 17 May - Otakaro Kahui Ako - Our group is supporting the anti-bullying message through a mufti day tomorrow. We are not requesting any particular colour to be worn, simply to be in non-uniform. We will continue to deliver anti-bullying messages on a regular basis.

Ka tae mai ... Coming Up...

- Mufti Day -- FRIDAY 17 May - Anti Bullying
- Breakfast Club - Foods Room - every Tuesday Wednesday Thursday from 8.20am
- Fitness Club. Wednesdays 3-4pm - Caregiver permission required
- Teacher Strike Day - Wednesday 29 May
- Teacher Only Day Friday 31 May (Day before QB weekend)
- Queens Birthday Holiday - Monday 3 June
- End of Term Two - Friday 5 July

Keeping Your Children Safe Online - John Parsons spoke to our children last week and there was a meeting for caregivers on monday evening. Internet behaviour and safety is so important for everyone and it is important that children learn safe behaviours when they are young. John emphasised that safe behaviour on the internet is just

the same as safe behaviour in Last week John Parsons Book - **Keeping Your Children Safe Online - A Gift to New Zealand Parents** - Two copies available for parent loan - no cost - from principal@sis.school.nz

Support Staff in Schools Day - Today the teachers put on a morning tea and delivered cards of thanks to acknowledge the valued work of our support staff - including our administration staff. This team are making a hugely positive difference to our school and to the learning of our children. Thank you to Teacher Aides Carol Tanner, Beverly Blee, Molly Mazen-Richardson, Rebecca Talbot, Adrienne Nicholas-Rakatau, and Wendy Pule. Thank you to Ann Laurenson and Tricia Tooley who manage our office so well. ,



SIS Learning in the Community : *Role models in school - During Technology classes we are having engineers (civil, structural, electrical etc) visit our Technology classes to interact with our children and talk about how design is used in their profession - making the link between what the children are learning and eventual career opportunities.*

Board of trustees elections are being held in June this year
Are you interested in being nominated to be a board of trustees member at SIS?
Nominations open Friday 10 May and close Noon Friday 24 May .

Parents/caregivers and people in the wider community can be school trustees. School boards need to represent the diversity of their school communities to ensure a bright future for all our children.

The trustee elections are the opportunity to vote for candidates who will make a positive difference for children's education. We need more people willing to use their skills and experiences for the benefit of students!

"Board members are entrusted by the community to ensure the success of our schools and a bright future for our children. We need an education system where all children are expected to succeed and one where we all take shared responsibility in ensuring this happens. As a member of a school board you can make things happen - you can make a difference."

- Lorraine Kerr, NZSTA President

Board members are ordinary parents/caregivers who care about the children and school, and who are willing to contribute to some decision-making around governance of the school. While some experience in financial, property or human resource management, is helpful, it is just as important to listen, and consider carefully, and contribute to sensible decisions to ensure our school - Shirley intermediate school is a great school - fulfilling its mission of enabling children to live full and satisfying lives.

Do you - or someone you know - have the head and heart to play a part?
Nominations open 10 May. Nomination forms will be available at the school office.

Question? Visit <https://www.trustee-election.co.nz>

Dunedin Trip - Term Four - Chocolate selling again...

Mr Duff has sent home a separate letter about this. Please consider saving toward this trip, and ensure any outstanding school costs are paid before camp. Chocolate selling has begun and some children have already sold a few boxes each. Each box sold raises \$24 for the seller's Dunedin trip fee in November/December .

SIS Working with our Community : *KidzClub has been based at Shirley Intermediate for several years. Aply lead by Trudy and her team, KidzClub provides a conveniently located reliable service for families.*

Community Mural

Well done to the children from Totara Learning Base who completed a mural which will be part of a development at McFarlane Park. The two six-foot long murals Shirley Primary are completing one as well) will be “launched” in the near future.

Reminder: Please keep us updated with all your contact details - when you get a new cellphone number or email address please let us know. Thank you

Community Notices

These notices are included subject to space availability and the discretion of the school.
SIS has no health and safety responsibility for any of these events.

Shirley Boys Important dates 2019

Open Night - 23 May

Enrolment Open - 23 May

C V Gallagher Scholarship Exam - 6 June

Enrolments Close - 26 July

Ballot Day - 30 July

Letters of offer emailed - 30 July

English Language Lessons - Phone Shauna 389-0219 for more details

Any level of English - Creche available – pre-schoolers and babies welcome	Wednesdays 10am-12pm	C3 Church, 269 Hills Road (n.b.changed)	\$2
English- Listening and Speaking class – elementary level	Thursdays 10am-12pm	Delta House, 105 North Avon Road	\$2
International playgroup For migrant and refugee mums (and pre-schoolers)	Fridays 9.30am - 11.30am	Shirley Hub 69b Briggs Rd	\$2

Waka Toa Ora - Healthy Greater Christchurch Seminars Coming Up

These events all run from 12:15 to 1:15 pm further details will be provided when you [Register here now](#) to receive an outlook invitation for any of these events.

- Thur 30 May - Exercise as Medicine - Help for those with chronic health conditions.
- Wed 12 June - Akina Foundation - Support for social enterprises: Jill Borland will outline Ākina's mission, the Government 'Social Enterprise Sector Development Programme', along with local activities and impact capability building opportunities.
- Wed 19 June - Overeaters Anonymous - Support network for those with food related compulsions.
- Mon 1 July - All about Submissions - Expert training and support from the Health in All Policies Team at Community and Public Health.
- Tues 23 July - Salvation Army Oasis - Support for problem gambling.

Thinking of Recommending Hagley Year 9 2020 to your Year 8 Students?

We're a Designated Character School.

- We provide a different learning environment and delivery models from other schools.

- We offer a broad curriculum.
- There are only 125 places available in Year 9 for 2020.
- Criteria for priority enrolment is on our website.
- Our Targeted Learning class is very small; only 2-3 places will be available in 2020 due to returning students.
- GATE students are able to excel in their specialty fields.
- Our values of Whakamarumarū (Responsibility), Mana (Respect), Whakawhirinaki (Trust) and Tika (Integrity) are an integral part of the College.
- Social action and student leadership are actively promoted and celebrated.

Enrolment Period: 8 May - 21 June 2019.

A ballot 4 July 2019. · Results of ballot: 12 July

<https://www.hagley.school.nz/enrolment/junior-college-enrolments/>

Community Yoga Sessions

All sessions Tuesdays in SIS Rm 3 (access from Shirley Road - the middle classroom - the wooden veranda nearest to the adventure playground). Starts weekly Tuesdays from 30 April.

5-12 year-olds Ninja Pedagogy 5pm -6pm

Open Yoga session 6pm-7pm

Flow Wolf Group - Performance Yoga for teens plus 7pm -8.30pm Contact

leighviimona@gmail.com

Sign Language classes

Want to learn New Zealand Sign Language?

Come to a NZSL Taster Course
4–5pm, Thursday 23 May 2019

Shirley Library

Please register to confirm
your place

Christchurch
City Council 