



# EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## Newsletter

'Supporting parents as they lead their children spiritual growth and educational excellence by teaching and living Biblical truths.'

**Tuesday 20 April 2010**

Tena koutou te whanau

Welcome back, everyone. Isn't this Autumn weather glorious? And what a beautiful city Christchurch is at every season of the year but especially now while the trees are preparing to rest over the Winter. Unfortunately the hearts of some of the people who live here are not as lovely as the Creation we see around us. As a result we had night-time visitors again in the last week-end of the holidays. Please pray for these people. May God reach their hearts, perhaps through something in the school that speaks of Him and His great love for all mankind. One day "at the name of Jesus every knee (will) bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (Phillipians 2: 10 & 11) Amen!!!

**Cross Country:** This Friday, April 23 during the afternoon, we will run our school cross-country beginning at 1:15 with the oldest students and finishing with the Juniors. The following Friday, April 30 our fastest runners will attend the Christian Schools' Cross-Country at Hansen Park. This event begins at 12:15pm. Those students representing Emmanuel Christian School will be notified after our races. We are also looking for parent runners. We have three staff members competing this year!!!! Fantastic.



### **Middle School Panel Discussion**

The Proprietors, Board of Trustees and School Management have had a long term commitment to the establishment of a Middle School (Years 7-10) here at Emmanuel Christian School by 2013. Year 10 pupils will then graduate into the Senior College (Years 11-13) at Middleton Grange School.

A concept plan for building development on the school site has been prepared. It was available for comment at the Market and will be on display at school over the next few weeks. Please tell us what you think.

Thank you to those of you who have supplied us with excellent questions for our panel discussion to be held at school next Tuesday, April 27 at 7:30pm. We can confirm that the panel will consist of:

- ✓ Alan Harrison past Principal of Hillview Christian School where he established a Middle School
- ✓ Greg Le Roux Head of Middle School at Middleton Grange School
- ✓ Mark Richardson who was Head of Middle School at Middleton Grange and now is principal at Aidanfield Christian School

Our own Simon Walmisley, who has been appointed for the purpose of undertaking a similar role here at Emmanuel Christian School will chair the panel.

Come prepared to listen **and** question. There will be an opportunity to ask more questions if more come to mind throughout the discussion. Supper will be provided.

Please plan to be there. There will be opportunity to chat informally over supper with our panellists.

**Board of Trustees Parent Representative Elections:** Nominations for the Board of Trustees Parent Elections close on the 27th of April, so we are running to the wire now. I spoke with our Returning Officer a couple of weeks ago and he informed me that nominations are usually received in the last week, with the individual profile normally being the main contributor to the delay. It's not always easy to write about yourself so I ask that you pray for our prospective nominees, and the new Board that will take office at the conclusion of the elections.

Richard Moot  
(BOT Chairman)

**Wacky Wednesday:** Thank you all for participating in our mufti day last term. \$168 was raised for our World Vision child. A fine effort.

**Hand Sanitisers:** We are using these again! Now that we have keys!!! Word is to hand that the solution used has been tested in an independent laboratory in Germany and has been found to be effective against both Influenza Type A (H1N1) and the Avian Influenzavirus (H5N1)

**World Vision 40 hour famine:** 21-23 May 2010. Famine packs are available from the office. Parental permission is required before famine packs are issued. A 'famine' may be going without something you enjoy for the 20 or 40 hours. This is a wonderful opportunity to identify with young people in other countries who have very little.

**Fundraising:** Car boot sale. The next sale is on Saturday, May 1. We'd be grateful for any items suitable to be sold from a car boot. If you would like to hire your own car boot site you can do so by contacting Elaine on 359 6797.

### Term 2 Calendar

Date	School Event
Friday, April 23	World Vision speaker to assembly School Cross Country 1:15pm
Tuesday, April 27	John Norsworthy Secretary of NZ Association of Christian Schools to speak to assembly
Tuesday, April 27	Middle School Panel Discussion – 7:30pm
Tuesday, April 27	12 noon Board of Trustees nominations close
Friday, April 30	Christian Schools' Cross Country, 12:15pm Hansen Park
Tuesday, May 11	12 noon Board of Trustees elections, poll closes
Thursday, May 20	Board of Trustees Meeting 7:30pm in the Staffroom
Monday, June 7	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Thursday, June 24	Board of Trustees Meeting 7:30pm in the Staffroom
Friday, July 2	End of Term
Monday, July 20	Beginning of Term 3

## Community Notices

**Cracroft Cavern Tours- Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2010, 10am to 5 pm.** Find out about one of New Zealand's most closely guarded war time secrets by exploring this underground bunker. Tours leave from the rear of Princess Margaret Hospital, Cashmere. \$2 per person. To book contact [cbywater@paradise.net.nz](mailto:cbywater@paradise.net.nz) or phone 980 6551 or turn up on the day. Jamboree fundraiser for St Martins Scouts.



We are continuing to take enrolments for Term 2 of 2010 – limited spaces are available in Artistic Gymnastics, Trampoline and Rhythmic Gymnastics for children from 3 months old and over. For more information please call the office on 344 6060, check out our website [www.olympia.org.nz](http://www.olympia.org.nz) or email [marketing@olympia.org.nz](mailto:marketing@olympia.org.nz) – cnr Springs Road & Corsair Drive, Wigram.

### **Intermediate After School Programme every Tuesday during Term 2**

Come and join us at Te Koru Youth Centre, 1a Harewood Road, Papanui. 352 9382 for a \$2 gold coin donation 3.00 p.m. 5.00 p.m. Activities include Rock Climbing, computer suite, Rockband and Playstation 3 Gamesroom or just come and chill out.

**A beautiful year old tabby cat** needs a good caring home for up to six months. Will be provided with jellymeat, and any vet bills will be paid for. Maxi is a friendly, placid cat who is happy to stay outside at night. Please approach me or ring me on 323 6332. Dionne



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**Emmanuel Christian School  
Middle School**

**You are invited to attend a Panel Discussion**

**Emmanuel Christian School Hall**

**Tuesday, April 27, 2010  
7:30 pm**

**Panel chaired by Mr Simon Walmisley  
Alan Harrison  
Greg Le Roux  
Mark Richardson**

**Supper to follow**