



Tena koutou te whanau

From the Acting Principal

Romans 13 v4

“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.”

Every school is required to have policies and procedures that relate to health and safety.

Each year we review what we are monitoring and how we are monitoring it. This term we are teaching and learning about ways to prevent and respond to bullying in a school setting to address aspects of emotional safety.

Teaching from a biblical world view allows us to teach unchanging truths in a changing world.

Therefore it is from the Bible that we gain insights into bullying. Although each one of us has the ability to choose not to become a bully there may be times when we are exposed to bullying and therefore we need to be

prepared.

We have studied the response Nehemiah had to repeated bullying. While building the walls of Jerusalem bullying occurred in different ways on several levels. There was teasing to demoralise, violence to stop good work from happening, and the recruiting of others in their plots to kill the leader. Some Jews even started bullying each other. Nehemiah responded each time with prayer and sound action. Sound action allowed him to lead the people to continue the work they had started. The people were protected by working in groups in public places. If people were isolated and were threatened they were to make a trumpet call for help so everyone could rally around to help. They were not to socialise with people behaving as bullies. To support students we make sure they know where they are to be, how they are to behave and how to respond when bullying

occurs. We keep no secrets and expose any wrong doing.

It saddens me that in the story some of the wealthier Jews began bullying some of the poorer Jews. This reminds us that anyone of us could become a bully ourselves and it is important to reflect on our behaviour every day.

Later this term a survey will be carried out to see how much bullying the students think there is happening at school, and when it does, what they do. I will be able to share our findings with you, and also what our response to the findings will be. We realise how important it is for us as a community to actively promote bully-free behaviour so our children can feel emotionally and physically safe. Please chat about this at home with your children when those appropriate moments happen.

Fantastic Friday: This term's FF will be hosted by William, Jeremy, Joshua and Rhemard from Room 6. Get ready for the Ball World Cup! The boys have been coaching junior students throughout the school in cricket, tee-ball and soccer, so when the Big Day comes everyone should be ready and raring to go. They would love it if we could do a sausage sizzle – if anyone could offer this support for our young athletes at this time could you talk to Mr Walmisley please.



Senior School Expedition: Climbing To New Heights! Room 6 will be going to 'The Roxx' for their end of term trip. This will be on Tuesday 12 April.



Please continue to send a bottle of fresh **clean water** to school each day with your child.

NEW PE UNIFORM

Yes it has finally arrived!

Our new PE uniform has arrived at Postie Plus Bishopdale.

It is compulsory for all pupils from year 3 and up.

From the beginning of Term Two all children will be required to bring their PE uniform to school (in a sports bag) on Mondays to be taken home on Fridays.

Please have the shorts and top clearly labeled with their name.

As of term two the PE shorts will be the **ONLY** shorts that can be worn under the girls uniform.

No other shorts will be allowed.

Don't forget to nominate Emmanuel School when purchasing the uniform, to earn points for the school.

**Desiree Huls
Board of Trustees**

***Prayer Meeting: Mondays and Fridays
8:50 -9:30 a.m. during assembly. Please
feel welcome to write any prayer re-
quests in the book on the counter in the
office reception area.***

**Christchurch Schools Music Festival
2011:** Online applications for special
groups are now open. Closing date is
8th April 2011. See Mrs Hawke for fur-
ther information.

Before school care: Over the last two years, several families voiced a need for care before school for their children. The school offered a classroom for this if parents could provide a volunteer each morning from 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. to supervise the children. This has worked well and we would like to continue this service again in Term 2 of 2011 if it is needed. It is free, open to anyone in the school, and is run at school. However, we need more parents to volunteer 20 minutes of their time 1 day per week from 8:00—8:20. If we get lots of offers of help you may only be required 1 morning per fortnight. Please phone the office if





CHANGE, LOSS & GRIEF

Free Seminar with Ainslee Coates

A passionate health educator & facilitator with 20 years experience in the education sector in health promotion. Ainslee was working in the CBD on 22 February.

Monday 4 April 6pm

Wednesday 6 April 6pm

Saturday 9 April 5.30pm

St Albans Baptist Church, 64 McFaddens Rd

The seminars will cover:

Understanding loss and grief

- *Developmental stages of children & their responses to loss*

- *Supporting ourselves & our children in loss*

Support resources & organisations

Participants will be provided with the opportunity to:

- *Understand the nature of change, loss & grief in our own & our children's lives*

- *Develop skills & strategies to support ourselves & our children during times of change, loss & grief*

Identify organisations & resources to provide support

The seminars begin with a light tea for all the family. Activities will be provided for children while the adults attend the seminar.

To book your place ring Ginny on 355 6522 or email ginny@nht.org.nz by Thursday 27 March.

Numbers strictly limited, so don't miss out.

Post Quake WORKSHOP

FREE workshop to assist adults & children under stress from the recent earthquake.

The workshop for adults is facilitated by Mary Ponder, counsellor and author of IgnitionPlus Personal and Professional Development Programmes

Children's Workshop also available and will be followed by a light lunch for all.

Sat 9th April 9.30am—12 noon

St Albans Baptist Church

64 McFaddens Road, Christchurch

Contact: Neighbourhood Trust

Ginny — 03 355 6522

Or txt 027 746 5168 to book

IgnitionPlus in conjunction with

REAL STEPS Trust 
Empowering people to make positive choices in life

 **Neighbourhood Trust**

Walk as
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Congratulations to Connor F on gaining 2nd place in the Canterbury under 10's golf on the weekend.

Well done Connor.



FROM THE PROPRIETOR

I have another unidentifiable payment :

It is 0816/8160000000/002 and it means nothing to me

If you recognise it please identify yourself to jmckon@clear.net.nz

PLEASE always identify all payments clearly. As the Proprietor accounts are done separately to the School accounts, and the student names are not familiar to the Proprietors, please use the name the account is addressed to as the identification/reference for your payment.



Calendar Term 1

Friday 15th April

Last day of term 1

The Teacher only day planned for 15th April has been cancelled. We will now all attend school on this day.



We provide a warm, caring environment with structured morning and afternoon sessions.

We run a Christian curriculum and we extend children's learning through positive teaching and fun filled activities. If you would like to come and visit please feel free to phone us to make a time.

Places currently available at Cornerstone Papanui.

77 Windermere Road, Papanui
Phone: 03 352 7899
E-mail: cornerstone.celc@vodafone.co.nz

Cornerstone Aidanfield opening beginning of Term Two 2011. Expressions of interest invited.

2 Nash Road, Oaklands
Phone: 03 338 8153
Email: office@aidanfield.school.nz

Ages 2½-5 years
M-F: 8.30am-3pm
www.cornerstone.school.nz



MERLINS NETBALL: Calling all Year 6 & 7 netballers. Do you want to play netball on Saturday mornings? MERLINS NETBALL is looking for keen year 6 & 7 players to join our team. We are a friendly, family oriented club and would love to welcome you to our family. For more information please call Rane on 359 1989.

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Pamphlets available at the office for

- Sport Canterbury April Holiday programmes
- Bubble Dome Holiday Courses

Outaskool Cotswold after school care

5—11 year olds contact Averil or Mike Mountford ph 359 9882 or email outaskoolcwold@slingshot.co.nz

JUST 4 HER

Northwest Women's Expo 193 Grahams Road.

Wearable Arts Show, free pamper packs, spot prizes.

FREE ENTRY

Friday 8th April 10-2 pm & 6-9pm

Saturday 9th April 10-2 pm

