



Tena koutou te whanau From the Acting Principal

1 Samuel 18v1b

“David met Jonathan, the king’s son, and there was an immediate bond of love between them, Jonathan swore to be his blood brother... ..”

Welcome back. I hope you are refreshed and ready for a new and exciting term.

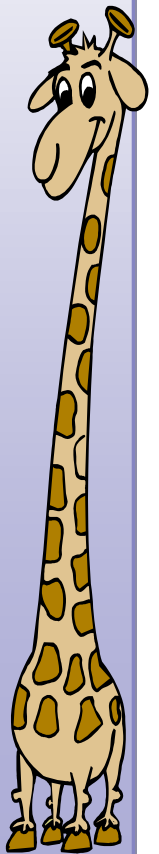
At the end of term one the students completed the “Safe Kids Survey” which is to be given annually. This is an opportunity for staff and the Board of Trustees to hear how students are feeling regarding their personal safety and relationships at school. Although this was time consuming this was well worth the effort. This week in assembly we have been reminded of the Emmanuel Christian School Way which refers to Excellence, Christ like character, Service and Wisdom in the light of safety, relationships and behaviour at school. Yesterday we were asked to consider how to maintain a balance between

catching up with close friends and taking some time out to be inclusive to the wider group. Today we looked at the relationship between two friends, David and Jonathan. Both Jonathan and David were loyal to God and each other.

After Jonathan’s death, David still wanted to remain committed to Jonathan and honour their relationship. He did so through Jonathan’s son, Mephibosheth. Mephibosheth was afraid to meet David, after all, his grandfather had tried to kill David numerous times. Mephibosheth was lame in both legs and knew what it was to be discriminated against and be physically weak. When he was offered Jonathan’s fortune he was shocked and exclaimed, “Should the king show kindness to a dead dog like me?” Absolutely! Returning his family fortune was not enough. David wanted him to live in the palace and dine with him for the rest of his life. What a wonderful example of friendship and loyalty. Our challenge is to serve our friends at ECS with Christ like character too.

Life Education visit in Week 3

We are fortunate to have the Life Education Trust visit Emmanuel Christian School from the 17th-20th May (week3). The teaching programmes in the Life Education caravan are planned to support the science focus with an emphasis on health and respecting our bodies. Rooms 1 and 2 students will learn about the links between food and energy for our bodies, Room 3 and 4 and 5 will look at body systems e.g heart and lungs, Room 7 will look at the effect of substances (helpful and harmful) on our body and Room 6 will focus on keep on how to keep balance to maintain a healthy body system. If you would like further details regarding the programmes please call the office to let us know.



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From the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees has a casual vacancy with the resignation of Tom Scollard (effective following the Board meeting on 17th February 2011). The Board of Trustees proposes to consider a motion to reduce the number of parent-elected representatives on the Board from four to three at it's next meeting (7pm on 19th May 2011). If you would like to make a submission on this proposed motion, you may write to the Board (care of the school office) or attend the meeting in person.

Transition for the introduction of sports uniform

To alleviate the pressure on families, particularly those affected by the earthquake, 2011 will be regarded as a transition period for the PE uniform. This means that students from Year 3 in 2011 can wear dark blue or black shorts during PE. As the cost of the shorts is higher than expected students who only want to wear PE shorts during PE may do so. The girls from Year 1-8 have the option of wearing dark bike pants (black or navy blue) under their dresses for extra warmth as long as they are not visible when walking. In 2012 all students are expected to wear the school PE uniform from Year 3. Bike pants in either black or blue can also be worn under dresses or skirts form Years 1-8.

Please note: Bishopdale Postie Plus do not as yet have all uniform garments available yet.

Uniform items for sale: 3 size 8 white long sleeve polo shirts in excellent condition \$20
contact Nanda 352 8593

Thank you to all of those people who donated goods for the **Canterbury Japanese Society** Monster garage sale which raised \$2416. If you are the person who donated an HP printer would you please contact the school office as there is a cord missing from the printer, which renders it inoperable.

40 Hour Famine 27-29 May 2011

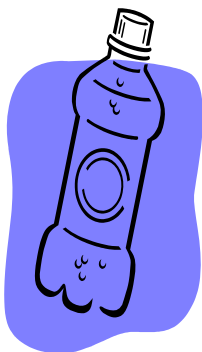
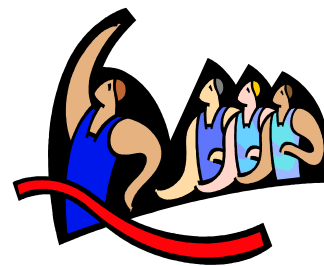


Sponsorship books available at the office. Please send a note with your child giving him/her permission to participate as we prefer children who participate to do this with the support of their family.



Cross Country.

We are having our annual cross country event THIS FRIDAY. Students have been training already with the ultimate goal of entering into the Christian Schools Network event on Friday the 13th. Juniors will be running after break (11:00am) and seniors will be running after lunch. Come along to support your children and if you want to support the school on the 13th, see Mr Walmisley for details about the Parent/Teacher event! Please think about clothing and something to drink. As the PE uniform is not available in the shops yet students should wear shorts, shirt and appropriate shoes, and bring a drink bottle. See you there!



Winter Sports This is fast approaching with the first game of the season on May 27th. We have coaches for all teams but we still need team managers. If you can help then please see Mr Walmisley.

Fantastic Friday Fun

On the last day of term 1, William, Joshua and Rhemard, supported by much of Room 6, took responsibility for managing Fantastic Friday. This has been a big project for them, involving not just planning and managing the day, but coaching junior classes at sport throughout the term. Once we returned to school after the earthquake, these boys (also Jeremy who was away at the end of term) spent time during SDL and sport sessions taking groups of young students out to coach them cricket, soccer and tee ball. The feedback I had about this was all good, whether from adults or students and so a big THANK-YOU and WELL DONE for their efforts. I wonder what they will get up to this term...?

Simon Walmisley

Walk as
Children
of Light



Calendar Term 2

Friday 6th May

School Cross Country

Friday 13th May

Christian Schools Cross Country

Thursday 19th May

(to be confirmed)

7:00 p.m. BoT meeting in staff room

Monday 6th June

Queens Birthday Holiday



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.

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Phone: 03 352 7899

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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

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