

Amuri Area School

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Tena Koutou Katoa

Rose Planting for Mrs Mossman

Our 'Penelope' roses arrived and have now found a home in the garden in front of the Academy where Penny spent so much of her time. Thanks to the group of senior students who came along on Tuesday to plant them and to Tony and Eve for clearing the garden out and making it look great.



School Interview Bookings

These will open on Friday 4th June so look out for the link coming your way by APP, email or on Facebook. This year you will have the option to attend by ZOOM or in person, so please follow the booking instructions very carefully to make sure you get the option you want.

CANDO Cards

Students can now get an official student ID CANDO card through the school office for \$10.00. This card will entitle students to discounts and can also be used as a metrocard for public transport in Christchurch if required. This initiative was instigated by our Student Executive this year.

Duke of Edinburgh Award (also known as the Young New Zealanders Challenge)

Mr Black is coordinating this programme this year alongside the Children's University with a hardy group of students completing their Bronze award over the course of the year. Part of this award is a service component whereby the individual has to give one hour a week to serve the community. This picture is of Celine and Grace who have opted to help out at the local St John each Friday cleaning the ambulance and just about anything else that needs to be done.



A note on Uniforms

It is very cold in the mornings and we are noticing a few of our senior students coming to school less than prepared for the conditions, some resembling icicles. Students are able to wear plain black or white thermals under their shirts and we have beanies, scarves and jackets available from the office. We also have some secondhand jackets at bargain prices and school sweaters that are super warm. As we move into the colder months, now is a good time to do a uniform stock take at home and ensure your child has all they need to stay warm.

Have a great weekend early morning sport is looking good but less than hopeful for a nice afternoon!

Nga mihi nui.

James Griggs
Principal

Roll of Honour

Kaesyne Batchelor

Tara Bensted

Jade Butters

Lizzy Cate

Bianca Dela Vega

Isaac Kelly

Sofia Manifold

Gus McKenzie

Ruby Moke

Bob Morgan

Quaye Paora

Finn Parmar

Kace Perry

Shyan Tewao

Tamika Van de Wief

1st Merit

Bella Coleman

Atama Roberts

Issy Williamson

Junior School News

Kia ora Parents and Whanau

This week our Year 7/8 debating team travelled to Ashgrove School to debate "Schools don't need libraries." Although the team of Zara Hamilton, Issy Williamson, Sophie Drummond and Valerie Croft debated strongly on the negative side of the moot, they lost by 20 points. This team should be very proud of their first effort and also of their bravery. We know that most people will avoid public speaking if they can. Well done girls!



It is almost June 1st and 'Gypsy Day' and this may mean there will be some disruption to classes with children leaving the school as well as those arriving. If you are employing new staff, please ask them to contact the school as soon as possible to let us know they are coming. This helps us to be prepared and plan for bigger numbers that may arrive.

We are beginning to enrol new students into the primary school, as is normal at this time of year. We have also said goodbye to a few long standing Amurians. Year 7/8 have sadly farewelled Nick and Noah this week and last week we farewelled Hashley and Hailey. We have welcomed Ozy in Room 1 with Mrs Johnson. There will be more new students in our next newsletter as we have three new entrants visiting currently who will join us soon.

Other wee snippets of things happening...

Room 6 and Ms Campbell are away in Christchurch today learning about Jean Batten. Room 4 have welcomed Mrs Jen Brett officially. Although Jen has been working voluntarily in Room 4, this week saw the start of her official teacher training placement. Welcome Jen!



Tekoa students have been making the most of their Lexia licences and there are progress certificates being printed every week which is pleasing to see. For those of you who aren't familiar with Lexia, this is an online alphabet, phonics and spelling program that we

use with all our Year 1-6 students. These students will be able to use their logins at school and at home.



There have been some updates to the program which now has more levels to complete so all students will be involved during the year. We encourage parents to allow children some time at home to work on this, within the family rules that you have around using devices.

It was fantastic to see so many parents and whanau here at our cross country last week. The support for your children is always greatly appreciated and it's amazing to see how fast children can speed up to for the big finish. There's something about an encouraging comment from family and it's always lovely to see the smiles of achievement when the line is crossed!

In June we have two visiting performances. Next week on June 1st, we are hosting 'Be Bright, Eat Right.' This is for all Year 1-8 students and the cost for this will be kindly covered by the PTA with our grateful thanks. The second performance is El Gregoe, a well-known magician. He is visiting on June 21st with his show 'What you can be.' This is specifically for Year 1-6 students.

The lost property box is overflowing on the primary side. There are a number of lunchboxes and drink bottles and a few items of clothing. Please pop in and have a look and remember to name all uniform items as it is very hard to return things that aren't named.

Nga mihi nui
Kylee Habgood



Our lost property box is overflowing with heaps of items including clothing, jewellery, drink bottles, backpacks, shoes.... and the list goes on. If your child is missing anything, please come to the office.

CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

Results - 2021



OVER 15 GIRLS	1st	Celine Barnes
	2nd	Grace Moriarty
	3rd	Meg Habgood
OVER 15 BOYS	1st	Nathan Kay
	2nd	Mateo Jamieson
	3rd	CJ Johnson
UNDER 15 GIRLS	1st	Bianca Jamieson
	2nd	Regan Kay
	3rd	Tara Bensted
UNDER 15 BOYS	1st	Max Jackson
	2nd	Gonzalo Vasquez Jouannet
	3rd	Phoenix Jimmink
YEAR 7 & 8 GIRLS	1st	Angie Mones-Cazon
	2nd	Zoe Bailey
	3rd	Hollie Scarlet
YEAR 7 & 8 BOYS	1st	George Flintoft
	2nd	Jake Diederich
	3rd	Owen Lewis
YEAR 5 & 6 GIRLS	1st	Gwen Manifold
	2nd	Lexie Godfrey-Grant
	3rd	Bella Godfrey-Grant
YEAR 5 & 6 BOYS	1st	Benji Mones-Cazon
	2nd	Alex Shaw
	3rd	Arthur Milne
YEAR 3 & 4 GIRLS	1st	Anita Mones-Cazon
	2nd	Kaitlyn Palmer
	3rd	Sarina Woodhouse
YEAR 3 & 4 BOYS	1st	Jake Van der Heyden
	2nd	Sam Currie
	3rd	Jackson Schenkel
YEAR 2 GIRLS	1st =	Milah Champion
	2nd	Harriet Rutherford
	3rd	Chloe Palmer
YEAR 2 BOYS	1st	Riley Van der Heyden
	2nd	Ben Langford
	3rd	William Hamilton
YEAR 1 GIRLS	1st	Hashley Esperat
	2nd	Billie McElroy
	3rd	Biddie Johnson
YEAR 1 BOYS	1st	Oskar Schuurman
	2nd	Lachie Perry
	3rd	Fergus Davison

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June

1st	Year 1-6 Be Bright Eat Right
1st	CSS Cross Country, Hagley Park
2nd	HPSSA Cross Country - Waikari
4th	CCHS Indoor Tournament, Christchurch
4th	HPSSA Cross Country - Postponement
4th	School interview bookings open
2nd - 8th	Year 13 Social Science Trip to Rotorua
7th	Queens Birthday - SCHOOL CLOSED
9th	Mitchell Assembly @ 10:00am
9th	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6:00pm
14th - 15th	Year 11 Geography West Coast trip
18th - 19th	School Production - PETER PAN
21st	El Grego Magic Show for Year 1-6
23rd	CPS Cross Country - Halswell
30th	CPS Cross Country - Postponement

July

1st	Level 3 Chemistry trip to UC
1st	Caverhill Assembly @ 10:00am
5th - 7th	Parent Teacher Interviews
9th	End of Term 2
18th - 21st	NZAS Tournament - Dunedin
26th	Start of Term 3

ICAS : International Competitions and Assessments for Schools
 HPSSA : Hurunui Primary Schools Sports Association
 CCHS : Canterbury Country High Schools
 CPS : Canterbury Primary Schools
 TOSI : Top of South Island
 SISS : South Island Secondary Schools
 CSS : Canterbury Secondary Schools
 NZAS : New Zealand Area Schools

WHANAU POINTS

1st Caverhill

680pts

2nd Hamilton

675pts

3rd Mitchell

612pts

Amuri Area School presents

Peter Pan Jr



Three shows only:

Friday 18th June at 7:00pm
Saturday 19th June at 2:00pm
Saturday 19th June at 7:00pm

\$20.00 per Adult

\$10.00 per Child (under 18)

\$50.00 per Family (2 adults/2 children)

Tickets available from the
School Office

email office@amuri.school.nz or

03-315-8233

