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Mayfield School Newsletter

October 29th 2015

Dear Parents and Community members,

Thank you to all the parents and other family members that came to the Athletic sports at Hinds school yesterday. It was a fantastic day. It was great to see the children trying their best. Well done to all the children who participated. Some of the children that came first, second or third will receive a certificate. We will email you if your child is due to receive a certificate and hand them out at next Monday's morning assembly.

Thank you to everyone that has completed the Board of Trustees survey that was emailed or sent to you recently. At the time of writing, we have had 20 replies. If you have not managed to complete the survey yet, please could you do so by Monday 2nd November.

We are delighted to announce that we will have the same teaching staff for 2016. We believe that it has worked well having small classes this year and the Board of Trustees has committed to operating four classrooms again next year.

As a staff, we have made some really good progress in reviewing our school curriculum and school systems. This year the staff have been involved in various professional development initiatives. One of these initiatives is working with educational consultant Rema Leitch. We have worked with her a day a term focusing on "teaching as inquiry". Teaching as inquiry is the essential component of the NZ curriculum, and this involves focusing on what students can do and what new or different teaching practices can be implemented to help students progress further. Teachers undertake mini investigations into what teaching approaches can boost student achievement. These mini investigations involve teachers observing each other teaching, analysing student data and reading educational articles on their selected investigation. The advantage of this process has been the chance for teachers to collaborate and share their expertise with each other.

Included in this newsletter is a permission slip for you to sign, to give us permission to put images of your child on our school facebook page.

I look forward to seeing some of you and your children at the Ashburton A and P show and the November launch at Panthers Rock on Saturday.

Kind regards
Richard Kidd

Principals Awards Week 2 Term 4 2015

Room 1- Week 2- William Mackenzie- for helping others.

Room 2 – Week 2-Ruby Graham – for contributing her great ideas during Rakaia's literacy circle.

Room 4 – Week 2– Akaysia Marsh-Ashby-for using wonderful expression when you are reading.

Room 5- Week 2-Ethan Graham-for the great effort you have put into your reading. Super progress.

Well done to these children, they have lived up to our HEART values in the last week.



Principals Awards Week 3 Term 4 2015

Room 1- Week 3- Gwen Zamora-working hard to practice her Athletic sports.

Room 2 – Week 3-Angus Carr- for working hard to improve his high jump technique.

Room 4 – Week 3– Hannah Kidd-your wonderful actions and movement around the stage during drama.

Room 5- Week 3-Cash Donaldson- for following instructions and joining in.

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Images of School Events



Last week we had Chris Crichton from Sport Canterbury come to school to deliver a sports lesson to each class. The children have been busy creating their garments for the Ashburton A and P show on Saturday.



BOT News

On Monday 19th October, the Board of Trustees met for its October meeting. At this meeting the following matters were discussed:

- Anna Bunting presented a report to the board on what she has done with the ALIM numeracy project.
- Principal's report was presented.
- Finance report was presented
- Property matters were discussed. Recently the trampoline base was fixed. Benches have been painted and soon repainting of the lunch shed will be done. The board plans to resurface the netball court when appropriate funding is found.
- Approval was given for the board to go ahead with renovations to Room 4 and 5. The plans have been put out to tender. This work is planned to take place over the Christmas holidays although the work may not be finished by the beginning of the 2016 school year.
- Priorities for 2016 were discussed by the board.

Important Dates for Term 4

31 st October	Wearable Arts at Ashburton Show
2nd-4 th November	Room 1 camp
6 th November	Counties Athletics
13 th November	Christchurch Show - <i>Holiday</i>
16 th November	School photos
17 th November	Room 1- Science Roadshow
18 th November	Manual
23-25 th November	Room 2 camp
27 th November	Sharing Assembly 2:15pm
30 th November	BOT meeting
2 nd December	Manual
8-9 th December	Life Education visit
9 th December	St Johns visit
10 th -11 th December	Room 4 sleepover and whole school trip
15 th December	School prizegiving- Reports sent home
16 th December	School closes 12 o'clock

Hats

As the weather is improving it is expected that children will wear hats every day at school. Wide brimmed hats are preferable as they offer more sun protection. If children forget to bring their hats they are expected to sit in a designated area away from the sun. Sunscreen will be provided for every classroom. New hats are on order, \$15.00 each, but there are some second hand ones for sale for \$5.00 each at the school office.

Pictures from Athletics sports



Home & School have had another delivery of Wrap, foil & Cooking Paper. These are available at the school office during office hours.

Gladwrap / Food wrap	330mm wide x 300 metres	\$23.00
	330mm wide x 600 metres	\$35.00
Foil	440mm wide x 90 metres	\$22.00
	300mm wide x 150 metres	\$22.00
Baking / Cooking Paper	300mm wide x 100 metres	\$30.00

Either way it's 20k



TO ALL FAMILIES THAT USE THE SCHOOL BUS SERVICE

If your child is **NOT** going on the bus in the morning please text the bus driver **before 8am** to let them know. If your child is not going on the bus in the afternoon please let the school know before 2.30pm and or text the bus driver. Their numbers are: - Eddie 0210467809, Wendy 0274288084 & Melissa 0211790865. Thank you

Please note that the PIE WARMER is only in use on a Friday now during term 4 ☺

! Also if your child is not attending school for any reason you must contact the school on 3036214 before 9am and state the reason why please.



MID CANTERBURY PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SINGLES TOURNAMENT

Sunday 8th November 2015

Held at the Ashburton Trust Tennis Centre
Grove Street, Ashburton

All school pupils in Mid Canterbury are invited to take part in the Tournament and are divided into Boys or Girls Yrs 3&4, 5&6, 7&8

See Mid Canterbury Tennis website for more details or ph 308 3020

www.midcanterburytennis.co.nz



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:- Max Carr, Izzy Carr,
Shakane Keen and Akaysia Marsh-Ashby.**

CALLING ALL MEN
ARE YOU BRAVE ENOUGH?



**DO THE
MOVEMBER CHALLENGE!**

Mayfield School along with Panthers Rock are holding the
MOVEMBER Challenge.

Entry fee is \$10.00 and a clean shaven face
on the 31st OCTOBER 6 -8PM @ Panthers Rock
Photos taken at time of registration.

Judging will be held @ Panthers Rock
29th November arrival @ 5.30pm
Judging & Presentations at 6.30pm

This is a **FUN** event and **all profits** will be donated to Movember Foundation NZ

Prizes for best & worst Mo, best beard and people choice.



*If you can't make registration send us a selfie on 0273209802 or 021496936 along with
name and we will put your entry in.*



Guy Flavkes ,have a night of fire works ,come along to Ruapuna domain on the 7th November from 6.30pm.bring a plate and fireworks to share .blankets and chairs and byo.hope to see you there.

HOME & SCHOOL

Mayfield Home & School require paddocks to be donated to grow pea straw for fundraising, contact Karen Dalgety with any questions.

AIR FORCE MUSEUM OF NEW ZEALAND – Holiday Programmes

Bookings are now open for the Air Force Museum's December 2015 and January 2016 OSCAR-endorsed school holiday programmes!

December 'Christmas Truce' - Runs: 17-23 December

Following the story of Snoopy, children will fight off the Red Baron through some fun, active missions and then explore aspects of the Christmas truce in World War One as alluded to in the song, "Snoopy's Christmas".

January 'Dig for Victory' – Runs 18-29 January

Explore all the aspects of life on the home front and abroad during World War Two through a huge variety of missions, challenges, construction and games.

Ages: 5 -12

Cost: Half day: \$25, Full day: \$35, Full week: \$170

Bookings Essential: Please contact the Public Programmes Team on 03 343 9504 or email programmes@airforcemuseum.co.nz