

# WEEDONS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*Respect The Rest & Be Your Best*

22 March 2017 – Term 1– Week 8

[www.weedons.school.nz](http://www.weedons.school.nz)

Tena Koutou Katoa

This week is a busy one for activities outside the classroom.

**Canterbury softball** are in the school providing tuition for all of our children.

On **Thursday**, our **year 5/6 cricket teams** take part in a cricket carnival in Rolleston and **Rooms 5 and 6** take part in a fundamental movement spectacular also at Rolleston. These events have been made possible by the Selwyn Sports Trust which we are part of. The aim of the trust is to provide a variety of sporting opportunities for our children within our district. We wish these groups a successful day. A **big thank -you** to our **caretaker Wayne Spicer** for taking on the coaching of the cricket team, a man of many talents.

Also on **Thursday**, our **house leaders and sports captains** are off to Lincoln for a leaders workshop. This is a Sport Canterbury initiative.



**Complete  
CONCRETE**  
*Our name says it all!*  
Mike 0274 345 476 Richard 0274 670 951

A huge thank -you to parent **Ryan Geary** for his help on Saturday to support caretaker Wayne to clear our guttering, a long overdue job and not a pleasant one.

Also a shout out to this company for supplying the waterblaster for us to use.

**All the best** to the following students who will be competing in the Canterbury Duathlon on Monday 27 March :- Callum, Thomas and Liam W, Josh, Isaac, Logan, Liam C, Ravie and Fenn.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

Thank you for your support of our World Vision sponsored child. We raised \$188.40. Watch this space for our next event.

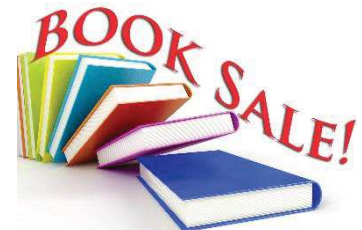
We will be holding a **book stall** after school each day this week. Children and adult books on sale at good prices. You will find us on the tennis court if the weather is fine or in Te Wharenui if it isn't.

## Top Performer

Room 6's first Top Performer for 2017 is Mason. Mason is no stranger in Room 6 and we love having him back this term as a leader in our room. Throughout the day Mason always completes the tasks that are set for him whether they be independent, pair or group based. He displays initiative, he looks for things that need doing at pack up times and does them before being asked. He is responsible for his own belongings and workstations. He listens to instructions well which allows him to complete activities to a high standard. He has impressed his teachers with his growing sight word knowledge over the last fortnight- this is making a real difference to the speed of his reading. Mason enjoys writing stories about his experiences. He can write many words quickly and uses his word card to find others. He is starting to join sentences using words such as 'because' and this has added great detail to his stories. Mason is a focused mathematician. He shows resilience, although his answers may not always be correct he listens to the feedback given and continues to practise the new skills. Mason is a true team member and always looks out for others. Congratulations on this well deserved award, Mason!

## Diary 2017

**31 Jan 17- Term 1 Begins**  
**20 Mar** – Book Sale starts  
**27 Mar** – Canterbury Duathlon  
**06 Apr** – Bake Sale  
**07 Apr** – Indian for lunch?  
**7 Apr** - Junior School 'Tryathlon' years 0-4.  
**11 – 13 Apr** – Year 7 camp  
**13 Apr** – End of Term 1  
**14 Apr** – Good Friday





## BAKE SALE

**WHEN:** Thursday 06 April

**WHERE:** OUTSIDE Room 1

**TIME:** Morning Tea and LUNCH

**WHAT:** bring \$1.00 and \$2.00 coins

**FOR:** Year 7 High Country Camp

**Merino Wool for School**— Pre order/pay now to arrive in time for term 2. \$80 each check out the [www.merino wool for school.co.nz](http://www.merino wool for school.co.nz) for sizes, we do have a sample in the office. Order before next Wednesday 22 March

## 2017 Great Kiwi Science, English and Mathematics Competitions



Dear Parents and Caregivers

The University of Canterbury is offering your child the opportunity to participate in the Great KIWI English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students based on the New Zealand curriculum.

The competitions are administered by the Centre for Evaluation and Monitoring (CEM) which is a not-for-profit Centre at the University of Canterbury. The competitions are open to all Year 5-10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can enter in one or more subjects. It provides teachers, parents and students with an independent, comprehensive record of a student's performance. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 2 weeks of Term 2.

Distinction	Top 1% of Year Level	Certificates will be sent to all participating students and prizes will be awarded to top students.
Excellence	Next 10%	
Merit	Next 20%	
Achieved	Next 25%	
Participation	Remainder	

Entries are administered by the school. For further information, please consult the CEM website [www.cem.canterbury.ac.nz](http://www.cem.canterbury.ac.nz)



Please return THIS section to the school office by Friday 28th April 2017. No late entries will be accepted.

I give permission for my child: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
to participate in the 2017 KIWI competitions.

Please select the subjects you would like your child to enter.

Subject	Year Level	Entry (inc GST)	Fees enclosed
English		\$8.50	
Mathematics		\$8.50	
Science		\$8.50	
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>

Name of parent /caregiver: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

For those of you interested in entering your children in the **ICAS** (International competitions in Technology, Science, Spelling, Writing, English and Maths, entry forms are available at the office. ICAS assesses higher order thinking and problem-solving skills.

Test available for year 3:- English, Maths, Science, Spelling and from Year 4:- English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling, Digital Technologies. There is a cost for these tests. Please check with your teacher if these tests would be of benefit to your child. Also available are test papers from previous years for practice at home if you wish. The cost of a practice booklet and answer sheet will be \$4.00 (we only get one copy and need to photocopy these) Alternatively, you can visit this website for hints and tips, sample questions, both on-line and for download and for practice on-line. (Our children sit the paper tests at this stage)

[www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/preparation](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/preparation)

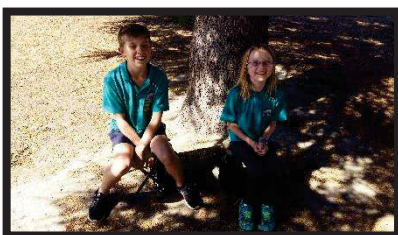
**DATES FOR 2017 CLOSING DATE FOR ALL ENTRIES Friday 24th MARCH**

Digital Technologies	Assessment date 23 May
Science	Assessment date 30 May
Writing	Assessment date 12 – 16 June
Spelling	Assessment date 14 June
English	Assessment date 01 August
Mathematics	Assessment date 15 August

## Friends of Weedons

For sale - our first fundraiser of the year.

Camping backpack seat.



Big enough to carry a change of clothes, food or drink.

Great for concerts, picnics, camping, fishing, watching sport etc.

Although photos show on a child they are also suitable for adults, I just couldn't find a model!

I will leave one in the office for you to view and I will be at the friends shed selling them Thursday & Friday after school this week. If you would like to buy but are unable to make either of these days please let either Claire or the office know.

Just \$25.00



**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS** Earlybird information was sent home last week, return your orders early and grab some extra discounts. Please feel free to contact me with any questions on 027 205 0958 or email [clarindasyme@hotmail.com](mailto:clarindasyme@hotmail.com)

**SILVER DOLLAR**  
BAR & RESTAURANT

Friends of Weedons wish to invite you to join us for some nibbles and a drink **on Saturday 25 March, 4pm at The Silver Dollar Rolleston**. \$20.00 for shared platters and a drink. To reserve your spot please text Francesca on 0223477655 or email [teamstevens.francesca@gmail.com](mailto:teamstevens.francesca@gmail.com)

Don't forget to like our Facebook page  
FOW (Friends of Weedons School)

Find us on 

# Community Notices



**Girl Guide Biscuits:-** These are now available to be ordered, if you would like to order some please see Kersty McKenzie around school or pop into the office to fill in the order form.

**'Try' is something we take really seriously.**

**Mikae Tuu'u**  
High Performance Sports Development

St Andrew's College is a great environment to test yourself against yourself. Yes, you're going to fall or fail from time to time. That's why we're here. To encourage you to get back up and give it another go. I look forward to meeting you. And challenging you.

**See you at our Open Day.**

**LIFE IS CO-ED**

## OPEN DAYS

### SECONDARY SCHOOL

Wednesday 5 April  
4.00pm–6.00pm

### BOARDING HOUSES

Wednesday 5 April  
3.00pm–4.00pm

### PREPARATORY SCHOOL AND PRE-SCHOOL

Thursday 6 April  
11.00am–12.30pm



St Andrew's College

For further information please visit our website [www.stac.school.nz](http://www.stac.school.nz) or contact our Registrar Lynn Smith on 03 940 2016 or email [enrol@stac.school.nz](mailto:enrol@stac.school.nz)



## APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY

### PROGRAMME

18<sup>TH</sup>, 19<sup>TH</sup>, 20<sup>TH</sup> & 21<sup>ST</sup>  
24<sup>TH</sup>, 26<sup>TH</sup>, 27<sup>TH</sup> & 28<sup>TH</sup>

Overviews are out and bookings are coming in already, so don't delay, get your child booked in today for some action packed, fun-filled days of holiday fun.



We have some **AWESOME** trips organised, and plenty of **FUN** activities, crafts & games planned at our venues.

So, jump onto our website to find out what your child will be up to these holidays!

[www.busybumbles.co.nz](http://www.busybumbles.co.nz)

Or feel free to contact Lisa

On 347-3031

Or at

[holidaycoordinator@busybumbles.co.nz](mailto:holidaycoordinator@busybumbles.co.nz)

## Kirwee Players Kids

Presents



8 & 9 April 2017

11am & 2pm

Tickets (\$10) online @



Music by Alan Menken, Lyrics by Howard Ashman & Glenn Slater, Book by Doug Wright  
Based on the Hans Christian Anderson story and the Disney Film  
Music Adapted and Arranged by David Weinstein

Director  
Kelsea Nelson–Cummins

Musical Director  
Caelan Thomas

Choreographer  
Olivia Gibson



HELEN O'GRADY  
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Helen O'Grady Drama Academy have kindly donated **one** Voucher for a term of **Drama Classes and Life Skills programme** (value \$165.00) expiry 29 September 2017. Please register your interest with the office before **next Wednesday** to receive this great offer

Disney's *The Little Mermaid Jr.* is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, 421 West 54<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10019. Script, music and all other materials © 2010 Theatre Broadway Junior and MTT's Broadway Junior Collection are trademarks of Music Theatre International. All rights reserved.

**FLIPS & TUMBLES PRESENTS**

# April

School Holiday Programme

West Rolleston School Gymnasium  
Monday 24th April - Friday 28th April 2012

5 DAYS	9am-5pm	9am-6pm
	<b>\$189.99</b>	<b>\$199.99</b>
4 DAYS	9am-5pm	9am-6pm
	<b>\$169.99</b>	<b>\$174.99</b>
ANY DAY	9am-1pm <b>\$49.99</b> per day	

**TUMBLING    BASKETBALL    SWIMMING**

**GAMES    ELGREGOE MAGIC    SOCCER**

Contact Jared Cooper  
C: 0278286760 E: jared\_extreme@yahoo.com

# The Break Down

**Monday - Friday**  
Athletes will be working through our badge system, learning new skills safely in tumbling. Learning ball and hand-eye coordination skills through basketball and soccer.

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**SPECIAL ACTS ON THE DAY**

**Wednesday**  
We are excited to announce a magic show from Elgregoe - a wonderful act for the kids, and they will learn a few tricks to take home with them too!!

**Thursday**  
Paper Plane Competition!  
They will create their own planes to win prizes! Judged on: style, time of flight and distance throw

**Friday**  
Finishing with swimming at Rolleston Swimming Centre. A bus will take them there and back for the last 2 hours of the programme.

### Monday Lunch Order Form

Name:	Room #	Lunch Order:	Amount:
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$</b>