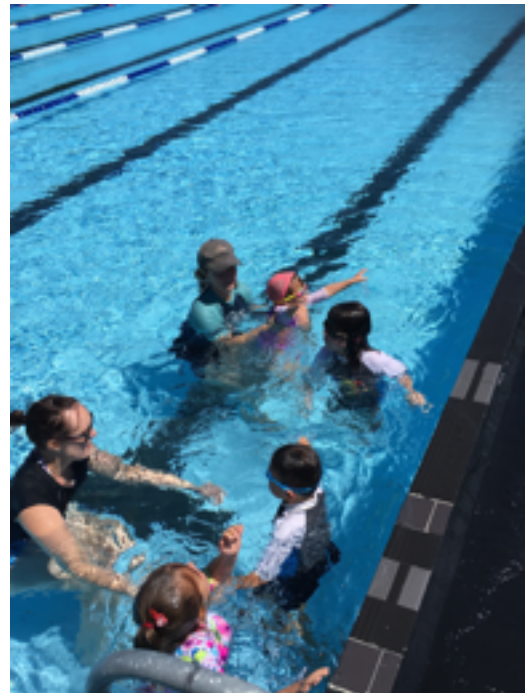


Te Kura o Tiori - Burnham School

'Standing Tall, Aiming High'

Quality education in a fun, safe and friendly environment, promoting opportunities and challenges for children while preparing them for the future.



Wednesday 15th February 2017

w: www.burnham.school.nz/calendar
e: admin@burnham.school.nz t: 03 347 6851



Kia ora koutou te whānau ō Burnham,

What a busy two weeks! Our swimming programme is well underway. I would like to thank our awesome team of parents who are kindly assisting with swimming and to our wider parent community for ensuring your child/ren have their togs at school.

Please remember to name all togs, towels and rash tops. We already have two full sets of unnamed swimming gear in the lost property. If items are lost and are named they can be returned. Thanks to NZDF for allowing us to use the pool for our swimming programme. This is greatly appreciated.

Our Cycle Safety Programme was very successful with our children learning how to wear their helmets correctly and use hand signals when turning and stopping. Officer Rick was very impressed with our children's behaviour and determination to improve their riding skills. Our Year 5-8 children went for a ride on the road, while our Year 4 children practised their new skills on the school grounds.

Tomorrow night is our Meet the Teacher and our Top Town Evening. This is a fantastic opportunity to come along and meet our staff and to participate in a fun family event together - Top Town. This event is being run by Sport Canterbury. There is also an opportunity to visit your child's classroom, to spend time with their teacher and to find out about your child's teacher's expectations, routines and organisation. Bring along a family picnic. Feel free to bring along the whole family pre-schoolers, babies, grandparents, big brothers and sisters, uncles and aunts. The programme will be sent home with this newsletter today and is available on-line. It was e-mailed home earlier in the week.

During the evening there are a number of information sessions you may wish to attend, one is on finding out information about becoming a BOT member, another is on helping your child to learn to read and another on keeping your children safe on the internet.

We are keen to find out as much as we can about your child/ren. Research shows that the quality of relationships between students and teachers results in increased learning. Please help your child's teacher get to know your child better by completing this quick survey.

<https://goo.gl/forms/NKBbKWI7LSO7sikK2>

If completing this on your phone you will need to make sure you have downloaded google forms prior to filling out the survey. This is a free app.

We ask that all parents complete this for each of their children. Thanks for your support.

See you tomorrow night!

Kind regards

Sandra

PTA News

The PTA decided at their last meeting to reduce the cost of school camps by \$17 for every child in the school.

The PTA will also pay for a trip later in the year for all our junior school students in Year 1-3.

This is very generous and only made possible due to the hard work of our PTA and your support of their fundraising ventures!

**Camp
Year 7 & 8
8th -10th of March**

All Year 7 & 8 students should have returned their camp permission slips etc. We still require one more parent helper and additional transport. Thanks so much to the parents who have already offered to assist on camp.



**Camp
Years 4-6 at Woodend
10th -12th of April**

Planning is underway for this camp. Please let your class teacher know if you are able to help on this camp.

ITINERANT MUSIC LESSONS FOR 2017

Dear Parents, We have already had a great response from a lot of students and parents to have guitar, ukulele, vocal, drum and piano lessons. We are very fortunate to have excellent tutors who are qualified and experienced and we have totally affordable rates. Piano lessons are run on Mondays, drums on Wednesdays and my lessons: guitar Uke and vocal lessons are run on Thursday. PLEASE txt tutors if you know your child will be absent on day of lessons.

Many thanks Liz.

Applications for lessons are available from the office and you can contact the tutors direct on the following contacts:

Liz Nichol (guitar, use vocals) 0211454652 or 3254262 liznichol007@gmail.com

Saba Charles (piano) 0274777254

sabpolchar@gmail.com

Steve Howden (drums) 0274206921

s.howden@live.com



Congratulations

Raikyn's team, the U13 Boys Albion Indians won their Canterbury Softball tournament at Mizuno Park on Sunday 12th February 2017. The final was played on Skin diamond 1, very exciting as they have never played on the skin diamond before. In the final they played RKS. Down 6-1 going in to the last innings, luckily they got into overtime to complete the next full innings. In that very hot and long day, the boys pulled their heads up, played like a super team and put pressure on RKS. It worked as they finished their batting and added seven runs to the scoreboard. RKS then had their final bat to complete, and the next 3 players up were struck out – 3 up - 3 down. It was a very exciting, and yet very tense game for those playing and of course the parents and supporters watching. They played 4 games, won 4 games. Congratulations to Raikyn and all his team coming away with an awesome WIN Albion 8 – RKS 6.

Respect - Whaikoha

Confidence - Māia

Te Kura o Tiori - Burnham School Learning Conferences 2017

Tues 28th February and Thurs 2nd March (Week 5)

It is that time of the year again – Learning Conferences. All children must attend with at least one parent or caregiver. Please book on-line as soon as possible.

Please go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/home.view You need to put the school code of: **u4uaj** into the system, then follow the prompts. Conference slots are 15 minutes long. We have conferences from 3.15 till 7.15pm on Tues 28th February and from 3.15pm till 5.00pm on Thurs 2nd March. Rooms 1, 2 and 6 will start interviews at 2.15pm on the Thursday. Children will be supervised on the Thursday in the hall till 3pm.

Please ensure you have also completed the Buzz on your child's learning survey: <https://goo.gl/forms/NKBbKWI7LSO7sikK2>

You need to have this completed by 9pm Sunday 26th February. If you do not book a time your child's class teacher will need to call you. This is very time-consuming.

If you do not have access to a computer please call Trish or pop into the office before 3.30pm on Friday 24th of February and she will make a booking for you.

Cornerstone Christian Club

Running every THURSDAY during the school term, starting February 9 2017
3:30- 4:30pm

All primary age children welcome.
Rolleston Community Centre Lounge, 94 Rolleston Dr
FREE Programme includes: Afternoon Tea, Games & Stories
Contact: Michele 347 2471

Term Dates

2017

Term 1 - 31st January - 13th April

Term 1 - 1st May - 7th July

Term 1 - 24th July - 29th September

Term 1 - 16th October - TBC

Coming up:

Term 1

February

Thurs 16th

Fri 17th

Thurs 23rd

Sun 26th

Tues 28th

March

Wed 1st

Thurs 2nd

Fri 3rd

Week 3 - Senior Swimming

Meet the teacher and top town event
4.45pm - 7pm

Celebration Assembly 2.15pm - 3pm

- Ruma Kēreru & Ruma Pūkeko

Week 4 - Senior Swimming

Subway lunch order via Luncheonline

Bot Meeting 7pm

Weetbix triathlon

Week 5 - Junior swimming

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Celebration Assembly 2.15pm - 3pm

- Ruma Teina & Ruma Tuakana

Responsibility - Takohanga