

1 July 2020

Week 12 / 12

Newsletter 6



RUSSLEY
SCHOOL
Te Parito Kōwhai



Coming Up...

Thur 2 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Whole school assembly 2.15pm• Tea & Talk (library) 3.15pm
Fri 3 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Student Awards 9.00am, new hall• Term ends 3.00pm
Mon 20 July	Term 3 commences
Tues 21 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bookings for interviews open 9am• Russley junior cross-country @ Crosbie Park
Wed 22 July	NW Zones x-country @ Jellie Park
Thur 23 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Otago Problem-solving test• UC Great Kiwi English exam
Fri 24 July	Winter sport (Years 5-8) begins
Tues 28 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• UC Great Kiwi Maths exam• Years 3-4 interschool x-country
Thur 30 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• UC Great Kiwi Science exam• NW Zone winter sport tournament• Assembly 2.15pm• Tea & Talk (library) 3.15pm
Fri 31 July	Sausage sizzle \$2—order at the new hall before school
Tues 4 Aug	Parent interviews 1.00pm—7.00pm (Note—classes finish 12.40pm)
Wed 5 Aug	Parent interviews 3.15pm—6.00pm
10-12 August	Moana at camp at Hanmer Springs
Tues 18 Aug	ICAS Science 9.00am
Thur 20 Aug	Otago Problem-solving test 9.00am
Tues 25 Aug	ICAS Digital Technologies exam
24-26 August	Awa Nui camp at Woodend
Thur 27 Aug	ICAS English exam

Feeling Unwell?

The usual winter coughs, colds and sore throats are circulating. In fairness to your child's classmates, we recommend that families keep unwell children away from school until they are no longer contagious. Particularly in these Covid-19 times, the following advice has never been more important.

The advice to anyone whose child is feeling unwell is:

- to keep them at home while they have symptoms
- follow basic hygiene measures
- remain symptom-free for 48 hours before going back to school

Cross Country

Event Postponed

Due to the City Council closing sports grounds this week, we had to call off today's cross country. The grounds closures also meant our postponement date tomorrow was no use.



Therefore we have rescheduled the junior cross country for Year 1-4 pupils to take place after the holidays, on Tuesday 21 July.

For the seniors, weather permitting we will reschedule a Year 5-8 event this Friday, possibly in and around our school fields. Wear your house colours!

Trophies

Please return cross-country trophies from last year so that we can be ready to engrave this year's placegetters. Please return your 2019 trophy to the office.



Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa. Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura tuatahi Te Parito Kōwhai o Russley School.

As we near the end of the term, it is time to reflect on what has been a historic and unprecedented period for everyone. Collectively, I think we have done a wonderful job of adapting and responding to such unusual times. I know that each family will have dealt with different circumstances and there are probably more challenges to come in the months ahead. If your personal situation changes, it is important that we know so we can understand how to support you. Please let your child's teacher know or talk with Jane Rush or me. In the meantime, thank you for your continued support of our school.

Mid-year reporting

As indicated in the last newsletter, we are modifying our mid-year reporting process to account for the impact of the Covid-19 lockdown. Reports will be available by the end of Week 2 next term. Student interviews are to be held Week 3 next term; **Tuesday 4 August, 1.00–7.00pm** and **Wednesday 5 August, 3.15–6.00pm**. School will close for instruction at 12.40pm on Tuesday 4 August. After-school programme provider, MASH Kids, will open early from 12.40pm for those who wish to book a space for that afternoon.

Interview booking details will be available on the first day of term 3. Teachers ask parents to prioritise time for an interview, as there is even more focus on the content of the interview this time due to the disruption to learning this year.

'Keep it local' - Russley School business directory

A further shout-out to businesses owned or operated by Russley School parents and community to advertise your business or service on our website. After the lockdown, we decided to do our bit to 'keep it local' and we encourage the Russley community to make positive decisions about approaching local businesses first. If you are a business owner or operator associated with Russley School, please send us your details so you can advertise free of charge for the rest of this year.

Assembly this Thursday

Tomorrow, Thursday at 2.15pm, we will hold our first full school assembly, post-lockdown. We invite parents and grandparents to come along.

New enrolments for Russley School

We know that in busy and unusual times, the small things sometimes get missed. If you have pre-schoolers who are due to start at Russley School later this year or next year, please ensure you have enrolled them. Likewise, if you know families who are planning to attend our school, be a good friend and ask them if they have filled out the enrolment paperwork!

Have a safe and relaxed holiday.
Ngā mihi

Greg Lewis
Tumuaki

Kōwhai Awards

Awards Focus: Hauora—Healthy



Team Awards

Room 1	Phoenix Tauakume, Lily Hunter
Room 2	Alan Hodder, Ruby Jones-Johnston
Room 3	Emerson Bianchet, Reuben Veenstra
Room 4	Kadeyn Hand, Dhiren Kulathunga
Room 5	Beau Twidle, Evrin Moses-Taylor
Room 6	Sousuke Feng, May Ito
Room 7	Oliver Peters, Aria Nairn
Room 8	Madeline Jones, Jessica Wu
Room 9	Mason Cox, Hayley Chen
Room 10	Layla El Sarraf, Cooper Burgess
Room 11	Lukas De Wit, Sia Veenstra
Room 12	Lili Notoa, Tjala James
Room 13	Benjamin Pryor, Amelia Stainger
Room 14	Alfie Forster, Miguel da Silva
Te Kohanga	Agatha Huang, Alexandru Maxted
Room 18	Mason Oliver, Haylee Greene
Room 19	Nikan Bastani, Camo Cruden

Kōwhai Award Finalists:

Waka: Joshua Mears

Roto: Adeleyn Wade

Awa Nui: Jessica Zhang

Moana: Hollie Anderson

Te Tohu Kōwhai winner will be announced and all award winners will be acknowledged at an assembly on **Thursday 2 July, 2.15pm** and at a presentation in the new hall on **Friday 3 July, 9.00am**.

Parents and whānau are welcome to attend one or both of these events.

ICAS Examinations 2020 – Years 4-8 only

If your child wishes to register for ICAS exams, please copy-and-paste the form (below) into an email and send to feedback@russley.school.nz by Wednesday 29 July. Please pay your entry fee via internet banking.

ICAS Registration 2020

Due by Wednesday 29 July—NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Student Name:

Year Level: Room:

Please select the tests this child is to sit:

- Digital Technologies \$15.00
- Science \$15.00
- Spelling \$15.00
- English \$15.00
- Mathematics \$15.00
- I have paid \$____ by internet deposit to

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(incl. **student name** and **ICAS** as reference)

Dental Care in the Holidays

The Community Dental Service will provide dental care during the upcoming school holidays, offering treatment and relief of pain sessions by appointment only. Please call/email our Contact Centre between the hours of 8am and 4.30pm, Monday to Friday. Nearby clinics open during these school holidays are at **96A Memorial Ave, Burnside** and at **2 Hei Hei Rd, Hornby**. The clinics will offer appointments between 8.15am and 4.45pm for school-age and preschool children requiring treatment. To book, please call **0800 846 983** or email commdental@cdhb.health.nz



Russley School Dates 2020

Term 2, 2020 Wed 15 April to Fri 3 July
Term 3, 2020 Mon 20 July to Fri 25 Sept
Term 4, 2020 Mon 12 Oct to Tues 15 Dec

Closed on:

Labour Day Mon 26 October
Cant. Show Day Fri 13 November



A THIEF IN TIME

THE LEGEND OF FOREVER

13-14 October 2020
Isaac Theatre Royal

Tickets \$20-\$25 www.ticketek.co.nz
A Russley School Production | www.russley.school.nz

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To some lovely people who have 'paid it forward' by purchasing a spare show ticket for Russley School to distribute to families doing it tough at the moment. Thank you for your kindness.



Community Notices

MASH Kids Programme

Before-and-after school, and holiday programmes, onsite in the school hall.

www.mashkids.co.nz

Avonhead Community Trust Holiday Programme

Mon 6th–Fri 10th July, 8.30am-3pm. \$150 a week or \$35 per day / per child. Based at Avonhead Baptist Church, 102 Avonhead Rd.

<http://actrust.org.nz/>

FREE Martial Arts Taekwon-Do Holiday Programme

Monday 13th to Friday 17th July 2020 [http://](http://www.riccarton.itkd.co.nz/)

www.riccarton.itkd.co.nz/

Craft Holiday Programme

The Craft Room based in Harewood runs craft classes for adults and children. We have a great school holiday programme during term break. Ph Keren Waite 027 250 4478 or book online www.thecraftroom.nz

Riccarton High School

Applications for 2021 close Friday 31 July. <https://www.riccarton.school.nz/enrol/>

St Thomas of Canterbury College

Enrolments for 2021 close Friday 31 July.

www.stc.school.nz

Burnside High School

Enrolment applications for 2021 close 31 July 2020.

<https://www.burnside.school.nz/enrolment/>

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Tues 4 August 1pm-7pm

Wed 5 August 3.15pm-6pm

Booking info available early next term.

Does your child love to sing?

At the Christchurch School of Music we have an all-comers Children's Choir for 8-12 year olds.

Saturday morning 9.00am- 9.45am

Linwood College

180 Avonside Drive

SING FOR JOY!

SING FOR WELL BEING!

SING TO LEARN!

CHRISTCHURCH CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Call us on 03-366-1711 or email office@esm.org.nz

Enrol at www.esm.org.nz/enrol



Rewi Alley Chinese School

We are a Chinese school (bilingual staff and teachers) based in Christchurch since 1998. We provide a range of programmes for Chinese children as well as other children interested in the Chinese language, culture, and arts.

- Holiday programme – both online (ClassIn) and on-site at 32 Matipo Street, Riccarton.
- OSCAR after-school care during the school term for Chinese children of working parents.
- Saturday programme – online and on-site classes in Chinese language, Art, Maths and Computing.
- Online homework support groups

www.rewialley.school.nz

UC Speech Language Study Seeks Late-talking 3 Year Olds

Speech-Language students are running a brainwaves research study and are looking for 3-year-olds who are later talkers, to join them in the research lab for a 'space adventure'. During this adventure, they will have to name some pictures while we measure their brainwaves. They also get to take home a present! We need late talkers and children with typical language development to participate in the study. You will receive a \$30 voucher as appreciation for your time. Email Doreen Hansmann doreen.hansmann@canterbury.ac.nz or Sarah Hinchey shi75@uclive.ac.nz for more information, or if you wish to refer a child.

Entertainment Book

Keep the whole family entertained these holidays with the Entertainment Book App – discounts at local restaurants, cafes, retail outlets, accommodation, car rental and tourist attractions. The multi-city option is perfect for travelling around NZ and is great value at \$119.99. It gives you access to every edition of the Entertainment Book across NZ, Australia & Bali and gives the school \$26 towards our fundraising goal. Your digital membership can be accessed from up to four different devices so it's perfect for sharing with friends/family. With 2 extra months on your membership, a bonus Countdown gift card, and the chance to win one of five \$1000 JB Hi Fi vouchers, now is a great time to buy. 20% of the sale price goes back to the school, so purchase online today: <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/134172d>