

# Christ the King Catholic School

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# Newsletter 2010

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**Term 1 Week 7 – 18 March 2010**

## COMING EVENTS:

Fri 19 Mar – Mufti Day *Bring an Easter Chocolate item*

Sun 21 Mar – Middle School Mass 9.00am

Wed 24 Mar – Rice Day shared meal

Tues 30 Mar – School Photos

Wed 31 Mar – Stations of the Cross

Thurs 1 April – Holy Thursday – Last day of Term 1

Mon 19 April – 1<sup>st</sup> Day Term 2

20-23 April Wellington Camp Room 9

26-29 April Wellington Camp Room 10

27-30 April Wellington Camp Room 8

Fri 2 July – Last day Term 2

Mon 19 July – 1<sup>st</sup> day Term 3

Fri 24 Sept – Last day Term 3

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Parents/Guardians, Friends of the School,

The first stage of our four part reporting process has been completed. All four reporting times (two interviews and two portfolios) are important, but this first interview is crucial in that the child, parent and teacher are all aware of the areas for development for the coming school year. This interview also enables you to have any questions or queries answered. Thank you for the wonderful response to these interviews.

If you need to discuss your child's progress with a teacher, a planned meeting is far more productive than a quick chat on the run. This allows you to discuss your queries in an environment where teachers can provide information and work that supports their judgements.

All students from Yrs 5 to 8 will go on camp this year. Years 5 and 6 will attend Woodend, while the Yr 7 and 8 students are extremely excited about going to Wellington early next term. Schools are faced with the dilemma of providing Education Outside the Classroom, which comes at a considerable cost to the parents, yet provides some wonderful learning experiences for the children.

The school is well aware that paying for these camps can put considerable financial strain on families, so we would like to bring to your attention that these camps can be paid for over time, leading up to and after the actual camp. All we need to know is that you intend to pay this way, so we can pay our accounts safe in the knowledge that we will be reimbursed during the year. Just contact Adrienne in the office, or you can come and see me if you wish. The school wants all children to have the opportunity to attend camp.

We have had a lot of sporting events on this term including touch, triathlon, duathlon and swimming that have required a considerable amount of parent input with organization and supervision. All staff, in particular Jared

our head of sport, would like to offer their thanks for your help with these sports and giving the children the opportunity to participate in these events.

Please remember there is a Middle School Mass on Sunday and as part of our special character commitment, we do expect children to attend.

Have a great week.

Mike Bonisch  
Principal

**PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS:** Amber O'Farrell, Nicolo Fronda, Rose Marie Deimetrey, Zachary Brixton, Alex Kinder, Ashley McEwan, Hannah Ferris, Flynn Everest, Bailey Everest, Gemma Doocey, Allanah McGuinness, Adam Reid.



**SOLIDARITY DAY (Rice Day):** Next Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March we are celebrating Solidarity Day. This is the day when the children and staff are asked to show solidarity with those people in the world who are in need. On this day we do not bring morning tea or lunch to school. A fantastic group of parents will provide cooked rice for lunch. **The children need to bring a named bowl and a spoon.**

They are also asked to bring along a donation. The money will be sent to Caritas for use in projects here and overseas. When your child is deciding on their donation, we would like them to keep in mind that Lent is 40 days; for example, if your child donated 10c for every day of Lent, that would be \$4.00. They may decide to donate some of their pocket money, or earn the money by doing some extra chores.

There will be a combined reconciliation/Solidarity Day liturgy in the hall at 9.10am. We will all sit together to eat our rice at 12.30pm

This day has always been very successful, promoting a wonderful feeling of community in our school, giving the children a real sense of achievement and helping them and indeed the staff to develop some empathy for people who live in real poverty.

We would love to see you at our liturgy and we thank you for your support of this important part of our curriculum.

**TOWEL ROSTER:** Bronwyn McNulty, Sharon O'Farrell

**UMBRELLAS:** Any donations of umbrellas would be gratefully accepted.

**2010 SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS**

Strong leaders make strong schools

Elections are held for the elected representatives and staff representative every three years.

For further information, contact the Board Chairperson, Rebecca

Methven on 342-6299 or Mike Bonisch.  
All parents eligible to vote should have received nomination forms in the mail. If you have not received these, please contact the school office.

**LOST PROPERTY:** Among other things, there are currently 15 pairs of black shoes in Lost Property. There is also a pink scooter in the school office that was left at school one day last week.

**PARENT COUNCIL NEWS:**

**Mufti Day Friday:** Please bring a chocolate item for the Easter Hamper.

**Raffle Tickets** are due back by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March. There are more books available for selling, if you are able to help.

**Entertainment Books** The new 2010/2011 books are worth their weight in gold. Purchase your new book now. \$13 from each book sold contributes greatly to our fundraising. Thank you.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS:**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Please note that children are asked to wear **CORRECT SUMMER UNIFORM.**

Boys: Grey summer shorts and shirts, Regulation brown or black school shoes, Grey ankle socks

Girls: White short sleeved blouse underneath their pinafore, Regulation brown or black school shoes, Plain white ankle socks, Maroon or navy hair ties, One plain stud per ear if wearing earrings.

Hair longer than collar length is to be tied back

No jewellery, make up or nail polish

N.B. Sports photos will be taken in Term 3.

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**FAMILY PHOTO BOOKING:**

I wish to have a family photo of my children

FAMILY NAME:

NAME: ROOM:

NAME: ROOM:

NAME: ROOM:

NAME: ROOM:

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**SECOND HAND UNIFORMS:** There are a large number of boys long sleeved shirts, winter shorts, navy skivvies and navy trackpants available for \$5 each.

**COMMUNITY NEWS:**

**Rose of Tralee 2010:** Saturday 8 May Bailies Bar, 50 Cathedral Squ are. Do you know anyone single, of Irish Heritage and aged 18-28? Contact Laoise Condon 981-5402 or visit [www.roseoftralee.net.nz](http://www.roseoftralee.net.nz).

**School holiday workshop – 3D Animation and games design** at Bubbledome phone 0800-438-282 or visit [www.bubbledome.co.nz](http://www.bubbledome.co.nz)

**Quail Island Easter Egg Hunt:** 15 minutes by ferry from Lyttleton 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> April. Leaving Lyttleton 10.20am and 12.20pm, returning from Quail Island 12.30pm and 3.30pm. \$20 per adult \$10 per child (5-15 years)

**Surf Kids Children’s Surfing Programme** Learn the skills of Surfing and Bodyboarding in a fun, safe environment. Sundays 10am - 12pm until May. April school holidays 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> April. Scarborough Beach, Sumner, cnr Stoke St and Esplanade. Visit [www.surfcoach.co.nz](http://www.surfcoach.co.nz) or phone Aaron 0800 80 SURF (78 73).

**Home Safety Expo:** Essential information on keeping you and your home safe. Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April 12noon - 3pm at Jellie Park. Come along and check out a range of interactive displays and activities, including NZ Police, NZ Fire Service, St John’s, various home security products, Canterbury Neighbourhood Support, Civil Defence, CCC Graffiti Office, Activities for children and teenagers, Self-defence demonstrations and food stalls.

**Children’s Technology Zone:** Term 2 registration is open now for Technology workshop for kids age 5-7, starting on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April. Please visit [www.ctzone.co.nz](http://www.ctzone.co.nz) for more information.

**Farm Day - Where does your milk come from?** Sunday, 28 March 10am-3pm Lincoln University Dairy Farm, Shands Road, Lincoln. All welcome, sausage sizzle available. For more information visit [www.farmday.co.nz/page919.html](http://www.farmday.co.nz/page919.html)

**Waimak River Adventures School Holiday Riding Programme:** April 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> (1 or more days available) 9am to 3.30pm each day (after program care available at \$5 dollars per hour up to 6pm only) Children from 8 to 16 years. Qualified Instructors. Max number 10 children per day. Keeps children physically and mentally active, and having great fun. \$60 per day or \$55 per day for 5 days or more. Book now or for further information ph: 323 9064.

**PRAYER CORNER:**

Dear God, please bless all the families in countries affected by recent storms and earthquakes. Please help aid to get to them quickly, and may they have enough to eat and somewhere to live. Amen.