

# Dunsandel School Newsletter

PRIDE Participation Respect Initiative Determination Excellence



Tuesday 7 February 2012

## From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers  
It was great to see all our children back at school last week ready to get into new classes and work with their teachers. It's always an exciting time as the new school year gets underway. Gauging from the atmosphere, energy and enthusiasm of the first week it's going to be a great year for our school.

All our children were presented with their 2012 PRIDE tee shirts at a special assembly on Friday morning. Staff spoke about what PRIDE means to them and each child was presented with their tee shirt. We thank the PTA for providing the funds to purchase the tee shirts this year – very much appreciated. We keep these tee shirts at school in class sets so please have your child/ren return their tee shirts to their class teacher ready for the next time we need them.

Our school wide topics for 2012 are:-

*Term One* Canterbury Famous  
*Term Two* New Zealand Famous  
*Term Three* Sporting Famous  
*Term Four* World Famous

All classes at some stage of the term will be working on these topics.

Included with this newsletter is information and a permission slip for our swimming sports on Thursday 16 February at Southbridge Pool. The permission slip needs to be returned by Thursday please

Thank-you to everyone who has returned their Emergency Contacts form to the school office – a reminder that if this information changes during the school year please let Felicity know in the office. Teachers are still collecting the child information sheets as well.

A reminder to sign up for our text alert service – instructions on how to sign up for this was in last week's newsletter and are also on the school website

We will have an assembly this Friday starting at 230pm – all parents and caregivers welcome.

Have a great week  
Kind Regards  
Dave Robinson

## Important Dates

### **7 February**

PTA Meeting

### **9/10 February**

Room 6 Camp

### **16 February**

Swimming Sports @ Southbridge

### **21 February**

PTA AGM

### **23 February**

School Sleepover (NB change of date)

### **8 March**

Ellesmere Zone Swimming Sports

### **14-16 March**

Life Education Truck @ School

### **29 March**

Canterbury Swimming Sports

### **30 March**

School Cross Country

### **4 April**

Ellesmere Zone Padder Tennis

### **5 April**

Last day of Term One

## To be returned to School

\*Emergency Contacts Form 2012

\*Information about your child form – to your child's teacher

\*Swimming Sports Permission Slip

\*PRIDE tee shirts

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## PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



All classes on Friday 3 February

Clockwise from top left – Room 1, Room 2, Room 4, Room 6, Room 5 and Room 3.

# PRIDE AWARDS



## **PRIDE Awards presented at Assembly last Friday**

**Room One Mason** – I am proud of you for an awesome start to the school year. You are a super boy to have in Room One and we love your gorgeous smile.

**Room Two Rosa** – I am so proud of how you have shown PRIDE as our 1<sup>st</sup> class leader in Room 2 this year. You have been kind and helpful to everyone – as well as working hard and finishing your work. You are a REAL sweetheart!

**Room Three Rainer** – I am so proud of you! What an outstanding role model you are Rainer! You have started the year with so much PRIDE in all that you do. Keep it up!

**Room Four Ben** – Wow, what a start you have had. You ask great questions and have worked quickly and quietly. I enjoy listening to you and am proud of you.

**Room Five Mikayla** – I am so proud of you for having the best start to the school year. You are focused, and always on task. You have set your books up to a great standard. Keep it up!

**Room Six Shania** – I am so proud of you making the most wonderful start and outstanding first impression at Dunsandel School. I feel so super lucky to have such a fantastic student in Room 6!!

## School Swimming Sports 2012

Our School Swimming Sports are scheduled for Thursday 16 February at Southbridge Pool. Please ensure all children have warm clothes to put on between events and that all children bring a good lunch and drink bottle to have on the day. School hats will be worn and sunscreen will be taken.

All parents, friends and family are most welcome to come along and support their children at the sports.

Our Programme for the Sports is:-

- 10:30am Width Races
- 11:30am Junior Swimming Demonstrations
- 12:30pm Lunchtime including the 3rd Annual Parent/Staff Biggest Splash competition and the Parent relay race.
- After lunch Length Races and House Relays

We will be doing our best to keep the programme moving and to keep to the times mentioned.

All children will travel to Southbridge by bus. Buses will be coming back to school and the after school bus service will be the same. If you are taking your children at the end of the sports please ensure you sign them out so staff know they have gone.

We encourage as many parents as possible to enter the Biggest Splash competition and Parent Relay Race—the children are already looking forward to these events!!

Southbridge Pool is in the main street of Southbridge and is sign posted

If you have any questions about the swimming sports please see your child's teacher.



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## Dunsandel School Swimming Sports Friday 18 February



Family Name.....

.....I/we give permission for our child/ren to travel to (and from) Southbridge Pool by bus.

.....I/We will collect my/our children from the Southbridge Pool after the sports.

*Please return to school by Thursday 9 February 2012*



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## **PTA News**

### **PTA MEETING TONIGHT 7.30PM**

In the meeting room beside room 6.

Every parent/caregiver is most welcome. Meetings usually last about an 1 hr. Come along for a coffee and catch up with other parents of the school.

It would be great to see some new face's. With the PTA, you can do as much or as little as you want, every little bit helps.

### **Agenda for Meeting - 7 Feb 2012**

#### Things to Discuss

- ✓ Parents Fundraising Ideas- tea towels, Zumba classes in hall
- ✓ Coffee Machine – to keep or not
- ✓ Rakaia Market 25th March - Cookbook Selling
- ✓ School lunches
- ✓ Creating a cookbook sub committee
- ✓ AGM 21st Feb and Email list

## **Community Notices**

### **Dunsandel / Irwell JAB Rugby Registration**

**WHERE:** Dunsandel Sports Centre

**WHEN:** Wednesday 15 February from 6:00-8:00 pm

**SUBS:** \$55 per player (Players will receive a pair of socks, a mouth guard and a team photo at the end of the season)

Registration is open to all new and returning players and we look forward to getting the season underway.

Note that all new players to the club will need to bring a copy of their birth certificate to registration please.

To give you an idea of grades, the following may be useful:

U7 Born on or after 1/01/2005 (Preferably school age)

U8½ Born on or between 1/07/2003 and 31/12/2004

U10 Born on or between 1/01/2002 and 30/06/2003

U11½ Born on or between 1/07/2000 and 31/12/2001

U13 Born on or between 1/01/1999 and 30/06/2000

U14½ Born on or between 1/07/1997 and 31/12/1998

Any questions to Gary Michael ph 3254 120

### **DIRFC JAB Rugby Fun Day**

The first Rugby Fun Day will be held on Sunday 19 February at the Dunsandel Domain from 1-3 pm. These days are designed to help JAB players develop their ball handling skills and team participation, leading into the rugby season. All JAB players are welcome – please bring a towel, and a change of clothes.

Any questions to Brendon Barns 027 4589 883

### **OSCAR CARE IN DUNSANDEL.**

An affordable option for afterschool for care is available with Selwyn Toddlers at the local Playcentre site. Selwyn Toddlers OSCAR is open from 3pm to 6pm each day afterschool for parents needing care. \$6.50 per hour, WINZ Subsidies are available! Please contact 347 9089 or [selwynthoddlers.co.nz](http://selwynthoddlers.co.nz) for more details

### **Athletics Training/Coaching**

Canterbury Athletics are going to host a “coaching/ competition program” in Rolleston @ Rolleston Primary School from the 13<sup>th</sup> of Feb, from 6-7 pm for 6 weeks. This event is for children of all ages to come along, find out what athletics is about and that all can have a go. There will be coaches on hand to give tips to others interested in coaching also.

The cost will be \$20.00 for 6 weeks or \$5.00 per session.

Can you please register by the 9<sup>th</sup> of Feb at [rach\\_lance@hotmail.com](mailto:rach_lance@hotmail.com) or phone 03 3774822 in the evening.

### **Rolleston Football Club Registration Day**

Sunday 12 February 2012 from 2pm - 4pm

Thursday 16 February 2012 from 5pm – 7.30pm

At Clearview School Hall, Broadlands Drive, Rolleston.

Visit our website for further information: [www.rollestonfootballclub.org.nz](http://www.rollestonfootballclub.org.nz)

### **BURNHAM CHEVALIERS JUNIOR**

#### **RUGBY LEAGUE 2012**

Burnham Chevaliers will be entering 3 junior rugby league teams in the Canterbury rugby league competition in 2012.

Under 8's – 7 years old as at 31 Dec 2011

Under 7's – 6 years old as at 31 Dec 2011

Under 6's – 5 years old as at 31 Dec 2011

Games are played on Saturday mornings with the season starting in April.

If your kids want to play tackle and you want to be part of a family orientated club then get in touch with one of our contact pers below.

Contact: Shelley Sanders – 027 2525531 [ben.shells@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ben.shells@xtra.co.nz)

Cilla Frew – 021 1190296 [Norton04@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:Norton04@slingshot.co.nz)

### **EASY SHOPPING – EASY FUNDRAISING**

Shop, save money, save time and raise funds for your school.

Step 1 – sit down & relax !

Step 2 – get someone to make your favourite coffee !

Step 3 - simply go to [www.yourfastshop.co.nz](http://www.yourfastshop.co.nz), select your school and start browsing.

- No queues, No parking problems, No aching feet !
- Save on petrol costs.
- Over 70 online stores to choose from including electronics at Apple, fashion at Ezibuy, books at The Nile, toys at Mighty Ape and you can even get FREE DVD rental at Fatso.
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