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THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO OUR LOVELY COMMUNITY,
FOR SUCH A WONDERFUL FAIR

The class 5 mihi whakatau and official opening by the students, the organisation, the entertainment, the stalls, food, games, busking, more food, white elephant, not to mention the hundreds of people, made the day a joyful and happy event. Thanks to the class 4 organising team who spent months preparing, to the people at the gates, the person who put flowers in the toilets, the person who ran all the sound, those who spent hours on Friday night setting up (and cleaning up) – and all the other bits I didn't see that helped make the fair such a success. A reunion of past pupils, their whānau, old friends, and new faces - our school shone as the cultural and the fiscal worked so well together. A special thanks needs to go to Tina and Paul.

The year continues to be great fun, and very busy! Class 3 are on camp at Henderson farm this week, class 5 are off to the Steiner Olympics next week. Yesterday, class 9 were on a Port hills geology trip, the South zone athletics were run in Hansen Park and class 10 sat their NCEA level 1 English exam. Class 6 performed an hilarious and raucous (mostly the parents in the audience) Robin Hood play last Thursday, and class 8 have started a drama mainlesson with Emma. Life is pretty fab in the Steiner school at the moment.

I hope you love the lower school staffing decisions – we do, and next week (sorry) we'll announce our upper school staffing. What I can say is that we are **doubling the amount of computer lessons** in class 8 and 9 to honour our agreement with the Ministry with regard to digital technology, and that Al Te Moananui is returning to take PE and Māori. A big haere mai Al and sadly, we say haere ra to Annabelle who stood in for Al so well this year.

We watched the orchestra perform at the Fair with great pleasure – and what a fantastic thing for our young tamariki. Unfortunately, this can only continue with your contributions that enable the music tutors to teach. We are many thousands down, so please, please look at how you can assist before the end of the year. Thanks.

Watch out for, and put into your calendar the **Class 12 project presentations** that we are running on the weekend of December 2 and 3. A programme will be published next newsletter.

Thomas Proctor

CALENDAR Wātake

Tue 14 Nov - Thu 16 Nov	Class 3 Camp
Thu 16 Nov	Class 2 Play
Fri 17 Nov	Show Day, School Closed
Tue 21 - 24 Nov	Class 5 Olympics Camp
Mon 27 Nov - 1 Dec	Class 10 Surveying Camp, Okains Bay
Mon 4 - 8 Dec	Class 7 Camp
Wed 6 Dec	Canterbury Athletic Champs, Ashburton Domain, 8am-5pm
Mon 11 Dec	Carols Evening
Tue 12 Dec	Class 12 Graduation Evening
Wed 13 Dec	Kindergarten & Nursery Advent Festival (last day of term) 11.45am
Wed 13 Dec	Class 12 Farewell/US Final Assembly (Term 4 Ends, US)
Thur 14 Dec	Term 4 Ends, Lower School
Mon 29 Jan 2018	Term 1 Starts

MAKE A DIFFERENCE. BECOME A SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

Nominate yourself or someone you know today. Learn more at trustee-election.co.nz

Being a school trustee is an important role that needs people with a range of skills and experiences, who will make a positive difference to our children's learning.

Please note: As shown in your nomination pack the national closing date for nominations is Friday 17th Nov. However as this is Show Day in Canterbury, postal nominations and hand delivered nominations to school must be received by **Thursday 16th November**.

Email nominations close noon on the 17th November. carey.a.carey@gmail.com

Returning Officer: Carey Carey (021 1500 930)

NCEA DERIVED GRADE GUIDELINES

The overriding principles for the derived grade are:

- Fairness to the applicant and to all other candidates. The derived grade is based upon authentic pre-existing standard-specific evidence that has been quality assured.

Applications must refer to events of a medical or non-medical nature that:

- Have clearly had an effect on the candidate during the examination, prevented the candidate from attending the examination.
- Candidates suffering a temporary illness, trauma or other serious event should be encouraged to sit the examination where ever possible.
- **Independent professional evidence** is required confirming the temporary illness, trauma or other serious event that impaired preparation, performance or attendance on the day of the examination, was beyond the candidate's control, and/or made it impossible for them to sit the examination.
- For events occurring in the period immediately prior to the examination. The applicant must clearly demonstrate that effective preparation was not possible in the **week** before the examinations and provide evidence that they were under continuous and well-documented care by a registered professional. Schools should discuss this with their School Relationship Manager, if necessary.
- The temporary illness, trauma or other serious event must be of a significant nature.

If you feel your child requires a derived grade please pick up an application form from the School Office. This includes a medical form which must be filled in by a doctor or hospital on the day of the NCEA examination. Please be aware that there are strict criteria that apply to derived grades and that the student's Practice exam result must be moderated to qualify for a derived grade.

If you have further questions please contact Maxine Ude Shankar (Principal Nominee) via the office. 03 337 0514.

BOT Meetings 2017

Next meeting: **THUR 16 NOV**
Board of Trustees meet at 6pm in the
music room. All welcome.

TERM DATES 2017 / 2018

Term 4: Ends Wed 13 Dec (US & Kinder/Nursery)
Ends **Thur 14 Dec (LS)**

2018:

Term 1: Begins Mon 29 Jan - Fri 13 Apr



***Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi Engari,
he toa takitini – Success is not the work of
one, but the work of many.***

Hi Steiner school community,

A **big thank you** for all the hard work you put in to create an amazing fair day 2017! The funds we raised together will be put to good use by the Community Association for teacher aides, school projects etc. Here's a few shout-outs that we know of – let's add to the list, if you know of someone who went the extra mile let us know!! Email faircoordinators@gmail.com. We are also taking feedback that we'll hand on to Class 4, 2018. Thanks for contributions:

- Zero waste t-shirts from Global Culture
- Prizes given away by Harley on our facebook page
- Trestles from Cassels
- Staff from Westpac in the office
- Refrigeration trailer from New World, & reusable bags
- Calico bags
- BBQ trailer

Thanks go out to the following busy bees:

- Your stall coordinators/class secretaries that got things going: Debs, Michelle T, Anna H, Camilla, Jeannie, Kara, Ruby, Don, Marcela, Sonia, Sarah, Roslynn, Wendy, Kristen, Tracy, Ann-Charlotte, Richard, Sara, Daisy, Fleur, Cara, Kirsten (for two amazing felted raffle prizes), Chris M, and others...
- School staff that worked the day – Hugo, Pip, Sam, Lesley, Thomas, Tim (making quoits etc) and others...
- Resident artists that painted the beautiful stall signs: Michelle T, Zoe, Debby, Heidi, Lucy, Wendy, Heidi G
- Gary, Sonia, Annah, Don, Wendy, and Paul K in the Community Association for getting heaps of bookings done and working hard through their respective classes.

Class 3 would like to thank and acknowledge those in the school community and the following businesses that kindly and generously donated to our plant stall:

- Arcadia Plants
- Bunnings
- Castle Rock Cactus Company
- Fern Factor
- Mitre 10 Colombo & Mitre 10 Ferrymead
- Oderings
- Pearsons Landscaping Supplies
- Portstone Garden Centre
- Southern Woods Nursery
- Trees for Canterbury
- The Little Big Tree Company

Your support is greatly appreciated!

Crêpe stall thank you:

A big thank you to everyone who supported our stall by donating lemons and eggs, and buying crêpes. Thank you also to St Martins New World and Meadow Mushrooms for their support. - Tracy Chollet

Big thanks from the class 4 organising committee – Paul K, Michelle T, Denise, Sally, Jeremy, Richard, Alistair, Cyn, Tina, Hannah B, Hannah F and the class 4 support crew.

FROM THE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Well Done and Congratulations to Tina, Paul and the Fair Organising Team for another WONDERFUL Job in bringing this year's School Spring Fair together. Once again a great day and so wonderful to see our school campus come alive with the sights and sounds of our very unique School Fair. Such a wonderful and vibrant buzz around the whole campus as people enjoyed the many varied and numerous stalls and treats to be had.

If anyone has any outstanding reimbursement requests please fill out the reimbursement form, which can be found in the CA tray in the office and remember, YOU MUST staple the original receipts to the form, no receipts, no reimbursement. Please have these in to us by Weds 22nd November - Don't forget to provide a bank acc# on the form for us to be able to direct credit the reimbursement to you. WE NO LONGER DEAL WITH CHEQUES. Thanks.



GARDEN NEWS:

Most joyous to see delicious fruit ripen on the trees but a reminder to our keen children that Patience is a virtue: Plums have the best flavour when left to ripen on the tree. You can tell when plums are ripe by applying gentle pressure with your fingers. If the skin of the fruit feels soft, then it is ready to be picked. Plums should come off the tree easily with just a slight twist of the fruit. The taste of a ripe plum will be sweet and juicy-hmmm. Wonderful as is and let us also think ahead to plum jam, plum sauce, stewed plums...May our harvest be bountiful!

PS – All those parents with Green Fingers, I would very much love to chat with you; come find me in the garden Tuesdays and Fridays. Ngā mihi, Georgina.

COMMUNITY Hapori

Thorrington School Kids Market.

Community Bootmarket

Saturday 25th November, 10am-2pm

Come along and join in the fantastic fun and entertainment at Thorrington School, 22a Colombo St. There will be live music, a huge variety of stalls, games and activities, food, coffee and much, much more! If you would like to book a \$25 bootmarket site please email: bootmarket@thorrington.ac.nz

He ora te Whakapiri, He mate te whakatariri.

There is strength in unity,
defeat in anger.



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KIDS

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

**CHCH BOYS HIGH, ROLLESTON,
LINCOLN, PAPANUI, WESTBURN**

- For ages five to 13 - junior & senior groups
- Sport and physical activity based
- Structured, safe and affordable
- Enthusiastic, fully trained staff
- All activities and excursions included in cost
- OSCAR approved; WINZ subsidies available
- 8am starts & single day bookings now available

P 03 373 5060

E activekids@sportcanterbury.org.nz

www.sportcanterbury.org.nz



Class 3 -Balance Board- Fundraiser

\$120

Currently used in our Kindergartens and lower school

Open ended play and creativity

Body and Brain development

Balance and Coordination

The possibilities are endless!

Contact Carlene to order 0210758405



Fermented Foods Workshop

Are you interested in learning about the health benefits of fermented foods and how easily they can be made using only natural ingredients?

I'm offering a 2 1/2 hour workshop, in which I will demonstrate how to successfully make your own wholesome yoghurt as well as other probiotic products such as sour cream, cream cheese, sauerkraut, sourdough bread and fermented beverages like beet kvass and kombucha.

Saturday 25 November from 11am-1.30pm

at 24 Ombersley Tce. Cost: \$35

(Prepayments to confirm your place are required)

Please bring 4 glass jars for your cultures to take home in.

For enquiries and reservations call Insa York on 981 4939

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