

*Please check out the dates/events that are displayed on our website under calendar
There is also an electronic copy of this newsletter if others wish to view it.*

These 4 day weeks go past too quickly!! The 'team' have settled back into school and each classroom that I have visited has been working hard and engaged in their set tasks. There are a few things being sorted at the moment (mainly sports teams) for events/competitions in the near future. Keep communicating with your child /teachers/Kerry/me to ensure there are no surprises.

General Notices

Communication

Another reminder: Please ensure you read our newsletter each week, check our website calendar for events, register for our text service (Vodafone and Telecom users) by texting **follow sbksch** to 8987, talk to your children or your child's teacher and read any class newsletters to ensure you keep up with the many 'happenings' that will be taking place this term.

Lost Property

If your child accidentally brings home any items – such as swimming goggles that they have wrapped in their towels, books, rulers, etc, could you please return them asap so we can get them back to their owners. Yesterday a pair of goggles were taken from the girls swimming changing rooms (white with aqua straps and they have mirror lenses). If you could help with this I would appreciate it.

Swimming Sports

Our Middle and Senior Swimming Sports will be held on Tuesday 28 Feb at Dudley Pool. The event will start at 10am.

New Entrant Parent Meeting

We are hosting another New Entrant / Potential Enrolment information session tomorrow (9 February) at 9am in **the staffroom**. Please feel free to attend or invite someone who may be thinking of enrolling their up-coming 5 year old at Southbrook School in the near future.

Touch Rugby

The touch rugby competition is on today. The draw is:

Team	Time	Ground
Year 4&5 – Scramblers	5.10pm	9A
Year 4&5 – Scooters	5.10pm	9B
Year 6&7 – Superstars	5.10pm	4
Year 6&7 - Slingshots	5.10pm	5
Year 6&7 - Serpents	5.45pm	10
Year 8 – Sprinters	5.45pm	5
Year 8 - Stingers	5.45pm	7

School Triathlon

Our Middle and Senior School triathlon will be taking place on Tuesday March 6 from 11am-12.30pm. The event takes place in and around our school. Further details regarding ages, distances, race structure, etc will be published in coming weeks.

School Assembly

Our first full school assembly is this Friday in the hall starting at 11am. Please feel free to come along.

Twilight Football and Friday Night Basketball

Twilight Football notices and payment re due back to school tomorrow.

Friday Night Basketball notices and payment are due back to school on Friday.

I will sort teams after I have received the notices and send out information on when the competitions start and also what is required to take part.

Administration

Board of Trustees Meeting

The next Board of Trustees meeting is on Thursday 23 March in our staffroom. The meeting will commence at 7.30pm.

Quote for the week:

Week 2: I've learnt that everyone wants to live on the top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you are climbing it'
Anonymous

*This is something we all strive to do everyday here at school!
Have a great week.
Shane*

Dates: Some up-coming events:

Thurs 9 Feb	New Entrant Info Session - 9am
Thurs 23 Feb	Middle School Swimming Carnival (Dudley Pool)
Tues 28 Feb	Middle and Senior Swimming Sports – (Dudley Pool) 10am
Tues 13 / Thurs 15 Mar	Term 1 Learning Conferences

We are losing too many young people through drowning incidents.
We need your help!



NZ statistics are horrific when we have so many water based activities, and so many opportunities to access water. Everyone needs to be water-wise and be able to swim. Drowning is a horrible way to die, when water activities are meant to be so much fun.

Starting with our little Juniors, right up to our Seniors, kids need to be able to swim with confidence, and a reasonable amount of skill. We can't let our kids drown or have someone else drown trying to save them, because they couldn't save themselves. We all need do something.

Here at school we can help by making it possible for our students to attend a swimming course. **Please help us find a sponsor** for transport to keep the costs down and to make the organisation less time consuming . Last year Mainpower did sponsor two year levels. That left another six levels having to find transport.

If you think you may know of a group or company who would help sponsor transport for swimming lessons for part or all of the classes intending to do swimming at Dudley, could you contact the school ASAP, so we can get onto it before the swimming courses begin. Likewise, if you want to know what sort of cost is involved in the transport, for how many classes.

Thank-you.

SCHOOL NEWS

Road Patrol

Let's help out our wonderful road patrollers by slowing down when approaching the patrolled crossing on Southbrook Road to allow our patrollers safe opportunities to stop the traffic.

If there are any parents that would be interested in helping on the crossing on a roster system (2.50pm-3.30pm) please see Miss Bergs or Kerry in the office.

SWIMMING POOL NOTE!

The swimming pool will be closed this Sunday (12th February) from 12.00 – 5.00pm for a private function.

PTA NEWS

PTA Meeting

Our first meeting for this year will be Monday the 13th at 2.00pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Second hand uniform sale

The sale will be on Thursday 9th of February in the staffroom from 2.30 - 3pm. Most items are \$2. We have plenty of second hand uniform available and all money raised goes back to the school. If you have any uniform you would like to donate please bring to the office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

JULIA EVANS-BRANT SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Qualifications: BA (HONS), LLCM (TD), ALCM, AIRMT, Dip Teach (Sec) (Graduated in Cambridge, England)

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NCEA Assistance Music : Phone: 03 312 0904 Mobile: 027 251 0123

Rangiora Netball Club - Registration Day

Future Fern (year 4 &5), Primary(years 6,7,8) & Grade Players

Sunday 12 February 2012 - 10am to 11am

North Canterbury Netball Centre Pavillion, Dudley Park

A \$40 non-refundable Registration Fee is to be paid on the day. This will be deducted from subs.

Primary Trials: Sunday 19 February 2012 - COURT 5 - 4pm)

Sunday 26 February 2012 - COURT 5 - 10am) at Dudley Courts

Coaches, Umpires and Committee Members urgently needed. New members very welcome.

Any Queries please contact Mel Calvert phone 313-2090.