



# St Andrews School

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## Newsletter

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## Tēnā koutou katoa. Nga mihi ki a koutou.

### New Student

A huge welcome to Cameron we hope you enjoy your time at St Andrews School.



### Skills For Life Assembly Update

Our Skills for Life Assembly has now changed to 9.15am from 2.15pm on April 11th and will be held in the Hall. This will be a extra special assembly with this being Steve Fennessy's last day with St Andrews School. The Nature Group will also be unveiling the new Envirogroup sign before assembly begins so please meet outside the Library.

### Road Safety

There has been some concern with some students road safety from the community. Please ensure students understand the importance of road safety and are taking care when crossing roads. Please ensure all bus students are wearing bus vests that have been allocated at all times when travelling by our school bus facilities. Student safety is our priority.



### Rural School Swimming

**James:** *It was a good experience to swim with other good swimmers. It was good to come first in some races. I came first in 50m freestyle.*

**Jess:** *It was a really good experience to have. I have not been to one of these events before. I got 4th in my freestyle and made new friends. I really enjoyed it. I liked the opportunity to have a good swim.*

**Sophee:** *It was really fun. There were a lot of fast swimmers. I enjoyed seeing all my friends from other schools. I was nervous at the start of the race, but once I started swimming I went for it.*

### SC Swimming

Congratulations to James S, Taye G, Hannah C, Jamie R, Murphy P and Jonty P who are representing the Rural Schools at the South Canterbury Swimming Sports.

### Thai students school visit

This week we welcomed students from Thailand to the school. The students were welcomed in assembly and then had a chance to visit classes and see what primary school is like in New Zealand.





## University of Canterbury

Once again this year University of Canterbury is delighted to offer The Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science competitions for Primary, Intermediate and Secondary schools. The Kiwi competitions are written by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students and based on the New Zealand curriculum. The online competitions will be run in the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3. All participating students will be awarded a certificate and prizes will be awarded to top students in each year group. The cost for a student to participate is from \$9.00 per competition entered.

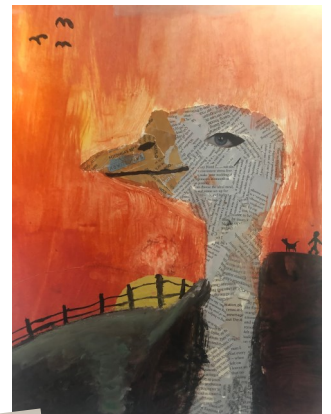
## ICAS / Kiwi Exams

If you are interested in participating in either the ICAS or the Kiwi exams, these forms are available from the school office and need to be returned by Friday 5th April.

## Room 4 Flax Weaving



## Room 5 Art



## Room 2 Bee Writing

*Bees are amazing and the queen's stinger doesn't come out.* - Issy

*When you get stung by a bee you pull the stomach out of the bee. When the queen bee stings you the stinger doesn't come out.* - Lottie

*Drone bees stay at the hive and help the queen bee look after baby bees.*  
- Austin

There is a queen bee. The Worker Bees feed the baby bees. - Caitlyn



## Nature Team News

We are excited to have our Enviroschool's sign up. The sign is showing how our school has won two awards, silver and bronze. We are the first school to receive these awards in one year. The Nature group would like to thank Steve Flynn for donating his time to put the Enviroschool school sign up and building the frame. We think it looks great! We would also like to thank Bruce for building the frame for the garden to be planted around the Enviro sign. - By Jamie and Taylah





## Mufti Day - Gumboot Friday

Gumboot Friday will be held on Friday 5th April. Gumboot Friday is an initiative being led by Mike King and The Key To Life Charitable Trust. The purpose of Gumboot Friday is to raise awareness around the impact of depression on our children and young people. Ultimately, Mike and KTL would like to be able to provide free counselling to any child in New Zealand who may need it. To celebrate Gumboot Day, as well as raising funds with a mufti day, we're going to have a Bling Up Your Boots competition judged by Steve and Vaughan. We want to see how amazing your children can make their boring old gumboots look. The only rule is they need to be able to wear their decorated boots. It's probably a good idea to pack a spare pair of shoes so they can change out of their boots if needed. Please get behind Gumboot Day and The Key To Life Charitable Trust by making a gold coin donation.

## PTA NEWS

**Steve's Send Off** - We will be meeting at Makikihi Country Hotel on April 5th from 7.30pm to farewell Steve. Everyone is welcome to come along. Please note this is a adults only event.

### **Crusaders v Highlanders – 7.35pm, Friday 12 April 2019 at Christchurch Stadium**

#### **Ticket Link & Sales & Promotion**

1 – The link to our ticketing page is here: <https://www.ticketrocket.co.nz/event/details/187376/crusaders-v-highlanders>

2 – Your **Promo Code** is below, and you enter this code in the top right corner of the TicketRocket site: **St Andrews**

\*promo codes are **not** case sensitive.

#### **Game-night**

1 - Each child who comes as part of the fundraiser ticket will receive a free Hellers Take A Kid To Footy Goodie Bag (this is on arrival). This is a collectable boot bag, which the kids can keep. Inside the bag is a 400ml Pump bottle, a bag of Heartland Chips and a sweet treat, plus a giveaway from Hellers.

2 – Each child will also get access to the Mobil Smiles Fun Zone at Christchurch Stadium. This is a new and exciting inflatable area behind the West Stand.

\*We have been allocated Parking Tickets to sell which are be available from the School Office for \$5.00



### **Upcoming Term Dates - 2019**

- 11th Apr. - Skills for Life Assembly 9.15am
- 11th Apr. - Last Day Term 1



**Some important dates to note down coming up this year. These are not all of the dates but some of the significant ones to assist with your planning of the year.**

29 April	First Day T2	23 Sep	SC Anniversary Day
03 Jun	Queens Birthday	27 Sep	Last Day T3
05 Jul	Last Day T2	14 Oct	First Day T4
22 Jul	First Day T3	28 Oct	Labour Day
9 Aug	Ski/Skate Day	13 Dec	Last Day T4
12 Aug	Ski/Skate Day p.p.		



*Steve Fennessy*