

01 November 2018

Tēnā koutou, talofa lava, bula vinaka, namaste, malo e lelei, kia orana, ni hoa, sōbaai-di, magandang umaga, xin chao, salam, sour sdey, kumusta, alaicom salam, greetings

Swimming

Children have just completed instructional swimming at the Canterbury Swim School. The school pool is now operational and children need to bring togs and towel daily. Please note that swimming is a **compulsory** part of the school curriculum, it is **not optional**. Swimming instruction is no different to mathematics, reading or writing. We don't have notes from parents excusing their child from writing or reading instruction, swimming is no different.

“It is expected that all students will have had opportunities to learn basic aquatic skills by the end of year 6 ...”

The New Zealand Curriculum (p 22)

New Zealand is an island with easy access to the ocean, and many local rivers and lakes nearby. It is crucial that all children have basic swimming and survival skills in order to keep themselves safe in and around water.

EOTC

Thank you to those families in the senior school who have paid the \$65 for EOTC, or have begun instalments. Please speak with Kersten in the office about payment options.

NZEI Strike Day

A reminder that the date for the Christchurch region is Wednesday 14 November. The Employment Relations Authority (ERA) has been contracted to mediate between the Ministry of Education and the NZEI (teachers' union). Let's hope some common ground can be found and a settlement reached before 14 November.

Learn Create Share

We are now in our 4th year implementing The Manaiaakalani Programme (TMP). In order to justify the programme, we send our student achievement data to the Woolf Fisher Research Centre (WFRC) in terms 1 and 4 for analysis. WFRC also observe children and teachers in digital classrooms which allows them to make some conclusions about Learn Create Share and the use of chromebooks.

Below are some of the conclusions WFRC have published in their latest evaluation report

*“... **the most effective teachers** (judged by high rates of progress and levels of achievement) use the **Learn-Create-Share pedagogy**, designing challenging, relevant, thought-provoking and open-ended tasks, to promote students’ choice (agency and self-regulation) and collaboration. Importantly, they use the affordances of the digital environment to prepare a range of learning resources and opportunities to stimulate learning which is connected across the curriculum content. **Their use of class sites to make learning and teaching visible further supported students’ agency** but importantly freed up teacher time which they used to engage adaptively with individual and groups.*

(Professor Stuart McNaughton, New Zealand’s first Chief Education Scientific Advisor)

TMP is making a positive difference to our children’s learning, and the way they now view themselves as learners - this is great news!

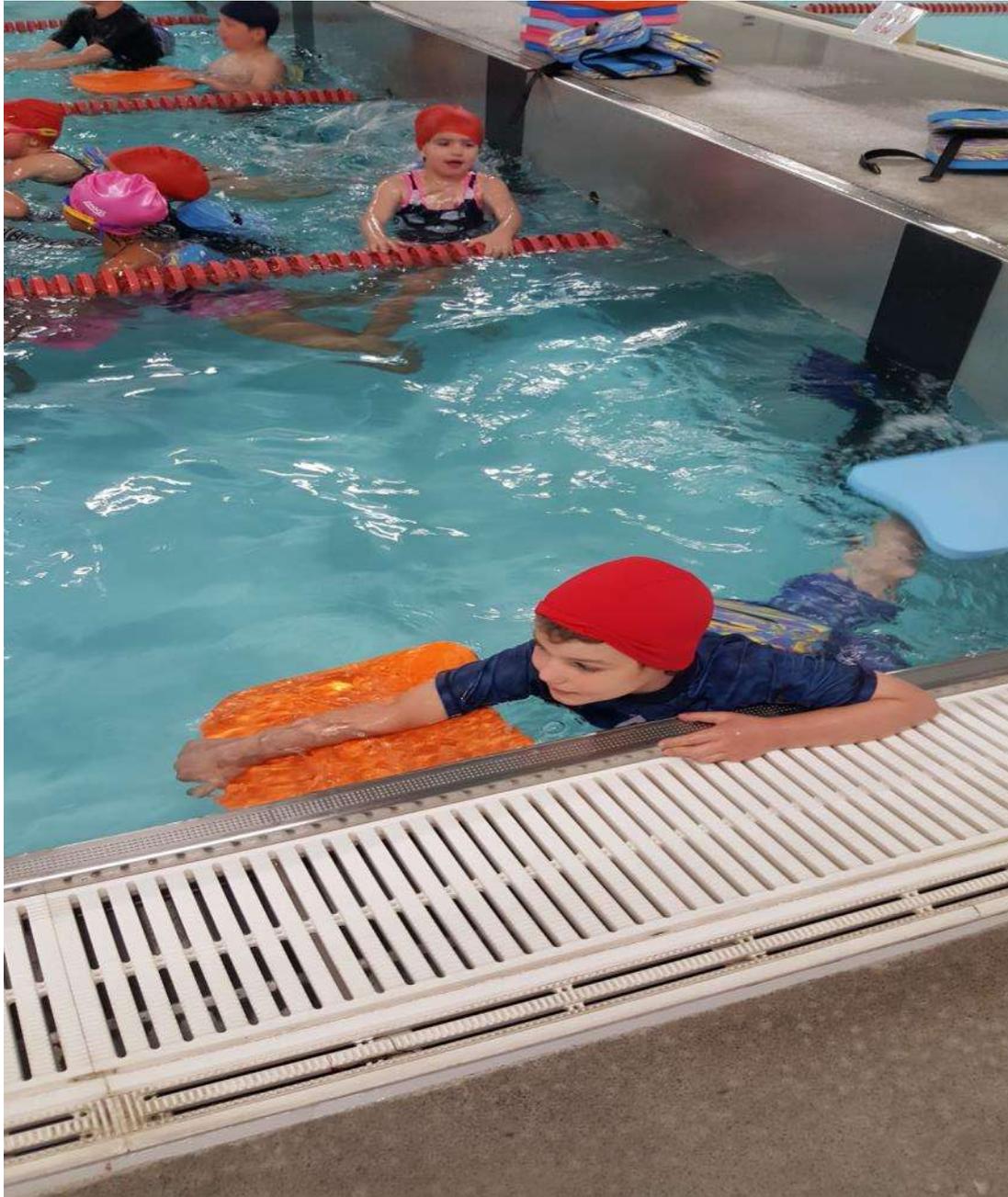
Filipino Family Day

Please return attendance slips to classroom teacher.

Room 9

The children have been fully involved in swimming for the last 2 weeks at the Canterbury Swim School, and with Athletics training for the Yr 4-6. It has been good to see how much the children that persevere have improved with their swimming, and to see many of them take on the ‘challenge’ down the deep end of the pool. Thanks to the great coaches at Canterbury Swim School.

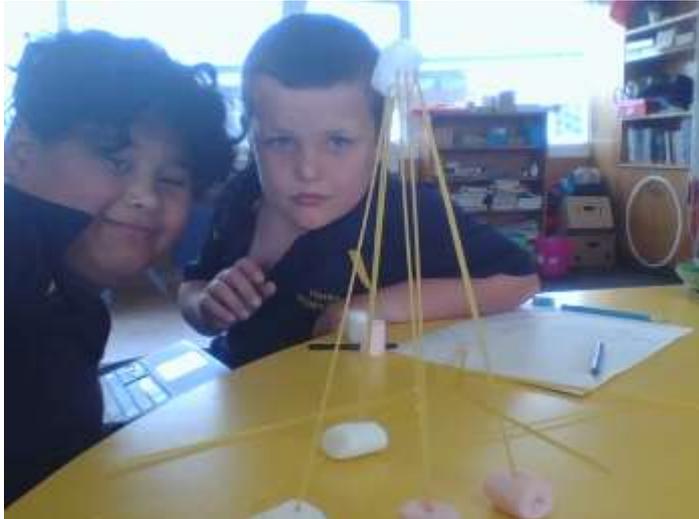
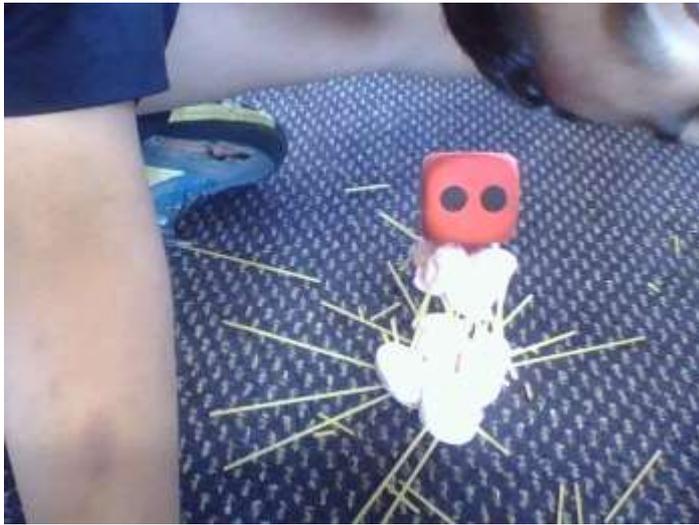




The school pool is ready to go, so children should bring their togs every day, even if it doesn't look too good weather-wise in the morning. There is always the chance of a lunchtime swim on a hot day.

Congratulations to the children selected for the Zones Athletics on Tuesday 13 November. We have had some great representatives from the school in the past.

In Room 9 this term we are looking at Technology for our Topic work. This involves the processes of Planning, Trialing, Testing, and Redesigning. It also involves learning how to work in groups, which was interesting to watch as they tried to build the tallest tower using spaghetti and marshmallows. The children will be working on more challenges throughout the term. They will be taking photographs and sharing their work on their blogs.



Upcoming Events

Friday 2 November	9.05am Rooms 1 & 2 assembly- all welcome
Week 4 Junior Games Day	
Tuesday 13 November	Zone sports
Wednesday 14 November	School closed- teacher strike
Friday 16 November	School closed – Christchurch Show Day
Saturday 24 Nov	10-1pm Hornby High Filipino Family Community Day
Thursday 6 Dec	11.15am Helpers’ Morning Tea
Thursday 13 Dec	6 pm Year 6 Leavers’ Dinner in gym
Friday 14 Dec	9.15am Awards assembly
Tuesday 18 Dec	12.30pm finish - Last day of term
2019 term dates	
Start: Monday 4 February	Finish: Wednesday 18 Dec

This fortnight's Personal Best Certificate recipients are:

Room 1

Sophia Being courteous and showing good manners in the classroom
Taurae Being an active learner throughout the school day. Ka pai!

Room 2

Marvin Always setting a good example for his peers
Yeleinah Always being a wonderful, positive classroom member in Room 2

Room 3

Jackson Demonstrating great perseverance during swimming lessons. Taukē!
Mikaylah Demonstrating kindness and kaha during the kapahaka performance. Ka wani kē!

Room 4

Narteiau Showing great self management on the mat. You are a great role model for your friends!
Savannah Kie te kaha haere tō reo Māori! You are getting so much better at speaking reo Māori!

Room 5

Ilahah Cooperation and perseverance skills in the classroom
Kate Working to her personal best in Room 5 and making great progress in reading

Room 6

Alonzo Wonderful swimming progress – going under water to pick up objects
Maria Amazing reading progress

Room 7

Felice Your confidence and positive attitude in our classroom. Ka pai!
Natui Fantastic co-operation and participation skills in Room 7. Ka pai!

Room 8

Lhady Your enthusiasm and confidence at swimming this term
Zeinab Having a great attitude towards all learning tasks

Room 9

Connor S Better focus in class and very good progress in swimming
Issac A good attitude to learning, completing class work to his personal best

Room 10

Corbyn Always being motivated and focused when completing his spelling words
Ken Working cooperatively with others and always trying his best in reading

Ako Ngātahi

Blessing Proactive and thoughtful blogging. Oe manaia!

Christina	Consistently using her manners and caring for others in the classroom.
Nuu'uli	Demonstrating active thinking and sharing his ideas clearly
Susie	Being an enthusiastic and involved new member of Ako Ngātahi