



Friday 17 February 2017

GLENTUNNEL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tena koutou katoa parents and caregivers,

Dates to remember ...

Thursday 23 February
Top Team event

Saturday 18 March
Hanmer mountain bike race



There are still some forms to be returned. It is important we receive these forms so we can go on trips, ride in the school bus and use the internet and different devices at school. The forms are crucial for our health and safety regulations and students without permission will miss out on opportunities in and around school. Next week we will be sending home forms with students that have not yet returned them. If you have them at home please help us out and return them on Monday.

We have had four students register for the Hanmer 4hr team's mountain bike event. We would love to enter another team and can take more entries. I found out this week that we have until the 1st of March to enter the teams and we will get a 10% discount. So please discuss this with the family and let me know by the 1st of March if you are interested in committing to the event.



Kapahaka

Well done to all the children who attended the first Kapa Haka practice last Friday. There was a small number of children that were lucky to have Matua Anton all to themselves. This week we were joined by Sheffield and Hororata School and have more than doubled our numbers! This is a wonderful opportunity for our tamariki and places are still available if your child is interested. See Mr S at school if you would like to join in the fun.

Well done to Bede lee, Lewis Lee, Nikau Davies and Barnaby Maude for competing in the Malvern Schools Triathlon on Thursday this week. It was great to see them accepting the challenge and persevering to the very end. This is an annual event and held near the start of term 1 each year. Anyone interested in aiming for participating in the event next year talk to the above students about their experience so you can start preparing for the challenge.



TOP TEAM

We have the Malvern Top Team competition happening at Glentunnel School next Thursday morning. This is a wonderful event where the year 5 and 6 students from all the Malvern Primary Schools come together to experience co-operative team building challenges. We look forward to hosting the event and welcoming the other students to our beautiful school.

Kind regards
Dion Stechmann

Awards this week



Mya McDonnell - For amazing maths - terrific effort and encouragement of others.

Mikayla Eade - You are accepting challenge - amazing maths and swimming.

Caleb Sullivan - For challenging yourself with your swimming. What a great mindset you have!

Jahdel van Leeuwen - For providing great specific feedback to your peers about their learning.

Riley Ericksen - For showing persistence with your reading.

Olivia Kershaw - For amazing reading this week.

David Lamb - For saying kind comments to others.

Riley Te Waa - For listening carefully to instructions.

Bede Lee - For always having a growth mindset and completing the Malvern triathlon.

Kiana Joynes - For great reading and asking for help when you need it.

And the Star of the Week goes to - Tererehuia Lima-Wright - For bringing effort and persistence to your swimming.

Home and School news

Coalgate Tavern meat raffle roster -

Saturday 18th December Moore family

Saturday 25th February Russell family

Head Lice

We have had several cases of head lice reported at school recently. Can you please check your child's hair, and treat if necessary. The following is a useful website for information on head lice - <http://www.kidspot.co.nz/article+8248+40+Head-lice-and-nits:-the-facts.htm>

Community Notices

Glentunnel Playgroup - Operating in the Glentunnel School library, Thursday mornings 9.15 - 11.15 a.m. Activities often include playdough, bikes, trains, crafts, water play and outings. No costs. All welcome. Contact through Facebook "Glentunnel Playgroup" or email glentunnelplaygroup@gmail.com.

* Outing Term 1 - March 16th, "Ferrymead Historic Park Toddler Day", Parents - \$10, Pre-schoolers - no cost.

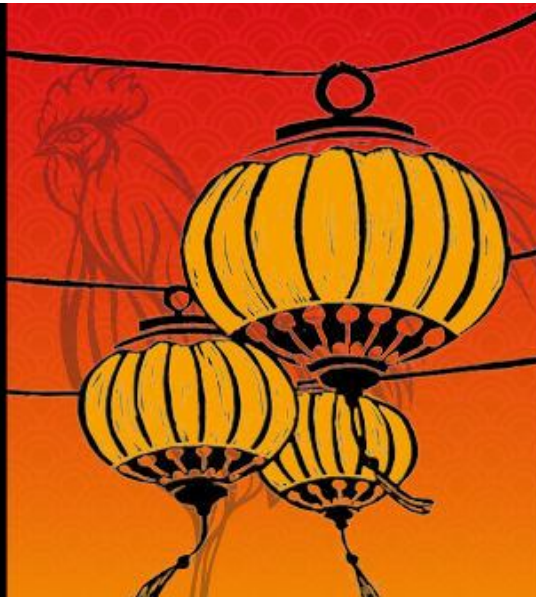
South Malvern Netball - Netball registrations will happen Saturday 18th March, with trials for teams as well. Any queries, please contact southmalvernetball@gmail.com.

Malvern A & P Show - Entries are now open for the Malvern A & P Show - there are lots of children's classes including painting, handwriting, drawing, construction, pet lamb, pet dog, wool, poultry, garden vegetables, cooking, homecraft, flowers and photography. For further information on entering these classes please refer to the schedule at www.showdayonline.com or telephone the secretary, Rebeca Stewart on 3183 105.

Photos from Kapa Haka today ...



**CHRISTCHURCH
LANTERN
FESTIVAL**
元宵燈節



**SAT 18 &
SUN 19 FEB
5PM-10.30PM
NORTH
HAGLEY PARK
FREE**

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Enjoy a day in the country exploring the private Middle Rock Farm, on the terraces of the Rakaia River.

HORORATA PARISH BIKE/RUN/WALK

5th OF MARCH 2017

1160 COLERIDGE RD, WINDWHISTLE



**\$20 ADULT, \$5 CHILD (UNDER 5 YEARS FREE)
FAMILY PRICE \$45 (2 ADULTS, UP TO 3 SCHOOL CHILDREN)**



With formed shingle 4WD tracks ranging in distance from 6km to 20km there is something for all ages and levels of fitness.

This is a recreational event where participants can bike, run or walk. Start anytime between 10am and 2pm, participants must be off the track by 4.00pm.

BBQ and refreshments will be for sale. Register on the day, cash only.

Please leave your dogs at home as this is a working farm. Held wet or fine.

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