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## Newsletter

11 June  
2014

### A very special welcome to our new pupils:

*Jake Eden, Charlie Rich, Tayla Goudge and Kyle van Wyk*



Dear Parents/Caregivers

**Learning Conferences:** As the end of this term rapidly approaches, the Staff are gearing up for the mid-year Reporting and Conference cycle. Staff are writing Reports (Years 4-8) which will go home on Friday, 27 June. Learning Conferences will be held on Tuesday, 1 July and Thursday, 3 July. Please note School will finish at **2.00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, 1 July** for the **whole school** so the Conferences can begin at 2.15 p.m. You will have received a notice last week informing you of the process how to book a time for your Learning Conference. Visit [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) enter the school code **RRAP2** and click on go. Bookings close at 12 noon Friday, 27/6.

If your child is in a **Year 1, 2 or 3 class** their normal Anniversary Report cycle applies and your child's Teacher will have informed you when this is due.

**Congratulations to:** Sade Kaminski, Trinity Mackley, Tegan Johnson, Kendal White and Summer Fail who attended a Student Leadership Workshop for Jump Jam on Tuesday, 20 May. The workshop was held at Paparoa Street School and schools from throughout Christchurch attended.



At this workshop students were taught how to lead Jump Jam sessions in their school. The girls learnt how to give verbal



and visual cues when leading a routine. They realised the importance of being confident when instructing others and to do this they need to know the routine well, and make each of their movements big and strong. Hopefully we will see these girls leading Jump Jam at Belfast School!

**Kaipoi Schools Music Festival:** The School's Choir will be performing at the Kaipoi Schools Music Festival on the nights of 23 and 24 June at the Kaipoi Borough School's auditorium. Tickets can be purchased from the School Office next week. Our Kapahaka group will also be opening the Festival on both nights. We wish both groups all the very best for their performances.

**Update:** A very quick update on the two men who have been sleeping in Sheldon Park. Last week the Police trespassed one of them from Sheldon Park and the School grounds. The other person has not been sighted since.

**Peter Simpson**  
**Principal**



**Easy Lunchbox Snacks:** Try cutting the bread into different shapes, like small triangles, squares or 'soldiers'. Use a shape cutter. Or cut off all the crusts, add the filling and roll up, for something extra you can cut the rolls up to make 'sushi sandwiches'. *Don't forget WFW - Wrapper Free Wednesdays!*



**Sickness/Illnesses:** In the past week some of the children have been unwell with a stomach bug causing vomiting. Our recommendation is that you do not send your child back to school until they have been 'vomit free' for 24 hours.

**School Photos:** The photo proofs and order forms have been sent home with your child. Orders are to be handed into the school Office by 9.00 a.m. Wednesday, 25 June. Please note that the payments are made to Heritage Productions and that Eftpos will not be available.

**Your help is URGENTLY required!** The local Foodbank at the Salvation Army is virtually empty. If you are able to donate a can of food that is current i.e. best before it's use by date, to help those in need, please bring into the school Office. If you have already made a donation, thank you very much.



### Winter Sports Results - Friday, 6 June

Y5/6 Rugby	vs Bromley	Won 35-15
Y7/8 Rugby	vs Avonhead	Lost 57-31
Y5/6 Football	vs Ilam	Won 12-0
Y7/8 Football	Did not play	
Y5/6 Hockey	vs St Martins	Lost 4-2
Y7/8 Hockey	vs Yaldhurst	Lost 6-4
Y5/6 Netball "A" team	vs Oaklands	Won 34-0
Y5/6 Netball "B" team	vs Elmwood	Lost 6-2
Y7/8 Netball "A" team	vs Halswell	Won 38-3
Y7/8 Netball "B" team	vs Aidanfield	Won 15-13

### Home & School Update

- ♦ **Home & School Meeting:** Tonight, Wednesday 11 June at 7.00 p.m. in the Staffroom. Come along and hear about our fundraising activities.
- ♦ Children who ordered **Pies** will be having them for lunch on Friday, 13 June.
- ♦ **Ladies Night Out:** Thursday, 26 June. Tickets on sale now, \$10.00. Be in quick. First 150 tickets sold get a goodie bag on the night.

### Belfast Community Network - Calendar of Events

**Simply Lunch:** 12 noon-2pm Thursdays at the BCN Community Building by the pool at Sheldon Park. Gold coin donation. We encourage you to bring along food to share.

**Arts & Crafts Group:** Bring along your own materials. 10am-12 noon Thursdays at the BCN Community Building. \$4.00 for Hall and Coffee/Tea. For more information please phone 323 9731.

### Every week you save, you could win your share of \$10,000

We want to help teach kids the value of saving each week. Every week that they deposit from as little as \$1 into their ASB Headstart account they'll go in the draw to win a \$20, \$50 or \$100 cash prize. This is sure to fast track their savings and get them closer to their goals. Whatever they may be. The competition runs from 5 May to 25 June. Deposits can be made through ASB's school savings programme, internet banking (or other electronic method) or at your local ASB branch. **To find out more, contact your school office. Terms and conditions apply. See [asb.co.nz/schoolbanking](http://asb.co.nz/schoolbanking) for details**

**ASB**



## Dog Safety and Bite Prevention Talk



**'If a dog's on his own leave it alone!'**

*In the past week the whole school has participated in a dog safety session. We learnt about dangerous dogs and how to act around them. We know to ask a dog's owner before we pat it and if they say 'no' it's for our own safety.*

*We asked some of our new entrants some questions and this is what the answers were:*

**Ali (rm 1)** *It was cool, not scary, but the dog looked naughty.*

**Kaleb (rm 2)** *It was weird how when I asked to pat the dog the owner said yes then no.*

*Thanks to the dog safety team and remember the key message...  
'If a dog's on his own leave it alone!'*



## Learning about Financial Literacy

Last week the whole school participated in a Financial Literacy workshop. We learned about chip and no chip cards and we played a game where we all split into groups and went to Hawaii. The workshop focused on...

- Learning where money comes from, why we have it and its value
- An introduction to the golden rules of saving, and why saving is so important
- Understanding how we earn money
- Developing skills to cope with everyday financial situations that are relevant right now, like counting money at the tuck shop or choices around earning, saving and spending pocket money
- Identifying the difference between 'wants' and 'needs'



We asked some senior students what they thought about it. Here's what they came up with...

**Selina Kaminski** - What was your favourite part of Financial Literacy?

"My favourite part of Financial Literacy was being able to have a say in the choices our team leader made in the game."

**Yngve Jordan** - Did you learn anything new in Financial Literacy?

"Yes I did, I learned that no chip cards are safer than chip cards because if you have a chip card and you drop it or lose it anyone who picks it up can use it without a PIN number for pay wave or internet purchasing."







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### Principal

Peter Simpson

### Board of Trustees Chairperson

David Cunliffe

## Important Dates - June

Wed. 11	Home & School meeting 7.00 p.m.
Mon. 16	Assembly in the Hall at 2.15 p.m. Board of Trustees meeting 7.00 pm
Tues. 17	Red & Black day to support the Crusaders (Notice home tomorrow)
Wed. 18	Centrals Cross Country at Halswell Quarry. Good luck!
Mon. 23 and Tues. 24	Kaiapoi Schools Music Festival in the evening

## Belfast Stars

### Assembly - 3 June

- ★ Rm 1 Millie Fairbairn
- ★ Rm 2 Stacy Holland
- ★ Rm 3 Taylah Blank
- ★ Rm 4 Jeremiah Pratt
- ★ Rm 5 Mikalah Cate
- ★ Rm 6 Braeden Yu
- ★ Rm 7 Devon Stuart
- ★ Rm 9 Edge Dickson
- ★ Rm10 Hayley Woods
- ★ Rm11 Brodie Lidgett
- ★ Rm12 Mackenzie Stewart
- ★ Rm13 Jack Reeves
- ★ Rm14 Olivia Hobbs
- ★ Rm15 Danielle Holland
- ★ Rm16 Brianna Yerby
- ★ Rm17 Daniel Knox
- ★ Rm21 Georgia Nicholls
- ★ Rm22 Hayley Turvey
- ★ Rm23 Jasmine Brown

## Community Notices

**Sport Canterbury Active Kids Holiday Programmes** are designed to provide opportunities for both fun and learning, through a variety of sports and activities in a safe, friendly environment. Visit our website for full details: [www.sportcanterbury.org.nz](http://www.sportcanterbury.org.nz) or phone 373 5060

**Harlequin Players presents "The Little Mermaid"** 13, 19, 20 July 11am-12.15pm and 14, 15, 17, 18 July 6.30-7.45pm Tickets: Child \$8, Adult \$12. Bookings [www.kidsfest.co.nz](http://www.kidsfest.co.nz) Venue: Cashmere High School Hall

**Belfast School could win \$2,000 Cash!** Cash Converters is a proud supporter of SNAP.org.nz or 'Serial Number Action Partnership' is to prevent burglary, and the trade of stolen property in New Zealand, by helping users to create and manage their own secure assist list online. If your property was to go missing it's easy to access these details at any time and forward this information on to the NZ Police and insurance companies. SNAP is 100% FREE and it's easy to sign up.

Cash Converters in conjunction with SNAP and **Bryan & Bobby**, are running a competition that could see Belfast School win \$2,000 cash. It's easy to get entries for our school. Create an asset list register online at [Snap.org.nz](http://Snap.org.nz) Enter the promo code **BFS1150** on your entry form for every item you register.



**win \$2,000!**

Not only will you be in the draw to win \$2,000 cash too, but your entries will count towards the school's tally. The school with the most promo codes registered before 31 July 2014 will win \$2,000 cash.

**Bouncy Castles for hire:** Prices range from \$150 to 200, no cancellation fees, indoor and outdoors. We deliver and pick up. Visit [www.go-jump.co.nz](http://www.go-jump.co.nz) to see the wonderful selection of castles. Contact Jeremy/Marie on 359 1956, 021 1884598, or 0508 465867.