

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4

Welcome to Term 4. We hope everyone has had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday and looking forward to the new term. A huge thank you to the many parents who assisted us in Term 3 with syndicate trips, sports events, electives, transporting students and helping in the classrooms. A very big thank you to Mr Preston and Mr Holmes who have given so much time to train our rugby and football teams. Your enthusiasm, commitment and expertise is greatly appreciated and assists us with the success of our team.

Topics for Term 4:

Oral Language

Debating

Integrated Unit

Health

Keeping Ourselves Safe

Physical Education

Athletics, small ball skills

Mr Rankin our technology specialist will work with all senior classes for two days this term covering cooking and Robotics.

Celebrating Success

Congratulations to our 2017 speech winners:

English – Madison Richards

Mandarin – Cecilia Ma

Hindi – Samar Brar

Korean – David Park

Congratulations to the many students who were involved in the speech, choirs, dance, football, netball, cross-country, rugby, gymnastics, hockey, E Pro technology challenge and chess competitions.

It is wonderful to see so many of our students taking advantage of the many opportunities provided.



Gymnastics

Congratulations to the gym team who again achieved many placings in the area and Auckland competitions. The Year 5 boys' team finished 2nd equal at the Auckland Championships.

Congratulations to Raymond Quot, Jack Edgar-Banks, Anton Smith and Keegan O'Reilly. Matthew Arck finished 5th equal in the year 6 boys' competition.

A big thank you to Mrs Laburn, Miss Lankow and to the parents, who have trained the gymnastics team.



Thank you to all the teachers in the senior school for managing extra curricular activities.

Our students are very fortunate to experience such a wide range of learning activities.

Term 4 Dates

Waterwise each Wednesday

Senior school athletics
26 October

Grandparents' day 3 November

Art Exhibition 7-9 November

Somerville visit 11:00 - 12:15
23 November

Interschool athletics
14 November

APPA Music Festival
22 November

Year 5 Waterwise swim test
5 December

Year 6 Disco 8 December

Swimming sports 8 December

Senior Prize Giving
12 December 7:00pm

Market Day
14 December

Graduation Assembly
19 December



Table Tennis Tournament

We will hold our annual table tennis tournament this term.

If any parent is available to umpire games please contact Anthony Wright.

Electives

Electives proved to be hugely popular as students were able to select from a wide range of learning experiences.

Many thanks to the senior school teachers, Mrs McIlvridge, and to our parents Mrs Edmondson, Mrs Stewart, Mrs Kneale, Mrs Lim, Mrs O'Reilly, Mrs Lindsay and Mrs Curlett for teaching an elective.

There were many opportunities to show how very creative our teachers, parents and students are.

Waterwise

We are struggling to have enough parent helpers to continue our Waterwise programme.

Please consider offering your help when your child is involved. If we do not have the required number of parents, Waterwise will be cancelled.

Otago Problem Solving

This year we entered 30 students in the National mathematics problem solving challenge for Intermediate level students. The questions are prepared by Otago University and throughout the year the students answered five sets of questions.

The following students achieved a standard of Excellence:

Emily Yin, Jacob Lowe, Jason Zhou, Gisele Lau, Depali Lamba, Daniel Lowe, Thomas Blakeman, Selina Li, Nicole Lin and Benjamin Kee. Congratulations to these students for an outstanding achievement.



Mathex Competition

Congratulations to Emily Yin, Jacob Lowe, Jason Zhou and Thomas Blakeman who were the winners of the Howick / Pakuranga Schools' Mathex Competition held at Sunnyhills School. There were twenty-three schools competing.

Outstanding effort!

Assemblies

The senior syndicate will have an assembly on Friday 24 November and 15 December.

Full school assemblies are on Fridays of odd weeks. Please join us at 9:00am in the hall.

Senior School Athletics

If any parent can assist with the training of our athletes for the interschool event please contact Lisa Firth by email at l.firth@pointview.school.nz

Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Uniform

All students are expected to dress in the correct school uniform. Shoes are to be either standard black school shoes or summer sandals in black. Sports shoes are not to be worn when coming to or going home from school. Sunhats are to be worn this term.

Trees for Survival

Thank you to Mrs Coomes, Mrs Gibson and the students from Rooms 20 and 18 who are caring for the 1200 seedlings. These will be planted out in the community in 2018.

Kapa Haka

We have a very strong and enthusiastic Kapa Haka group trained by Wepiha, Ms Bower, and Miss O'Brien. They have worked very hard and performed recently at the Koanga Festival held at Somerville Intermediate School. Their performance was very polished and professional. We are very appreciative of having the expertise of Wepiha, Karyn and Johanna.

Looking forward to a very enjoyable and productive term.

The Senior Syndicate

Nicky Bates, Karyn Bower, Kylie Coomes, Lisa Firth, Claire Galvin, Penny Gibson, Robyn Hibberd, Julie Low, Johanna O'Brien, Christie Orr, Kimberley Rivett and Ali Yates.