



APARIMA MATTERS

E ngā mātāwaka o Aparima, tēnā koutou katoa

Well, here we are in Week 7 of a very busy term. We have plenty going on with Athletics, Outdoor Rec tramps, Leadership courses, Electives, John Parsons visiting the school to discuss cyber safety, and a fair amount of schoolwork getting chucked in the middle there too.

We held a community meeting on Monday night at the Senior Citizens Centre - many thanks to those who turned up, and we will be having another next Monday out in Colac Bay at 230 Colac Foreshore Road at 7:00 pm. It is a chance for any interested people to come and talk to myself and Leon Black our BOT Chair about the direction of the college over the next few years.

A couple of reminders for the community from me – we are having a bit of blitz on our Senior boys with the lack of pride they are showing in their uniform at the moment, with shirts hanging out, not wearing Blazers at all and being generally a wee bit too scruffy. Please remind your sons of the importance of having pride in their uniform and appearance – then they will be getting the message in stereo!

Also – please remember to send a note through to the school, either with your child, or by email to the office (office@aparima.school.nz) to let us know if students need to leave the school grounds at any stage. We have had far too many kids turn up at the office to say they have an appointment, and without proper notification from parents, we are asking them to remain at school, as per the legal requirements. If you could help us out with this, it would be greatly appreciated and save any unnecessary conflicts with students.

Parent Teacher Interviews

As noted in a previous newsletter and on our website, we are trialling a new system this year for our Parent Teacher interviews. For too many years we have had a very low turnout and have struggled to make contact with the families of those students who we are more eager to catch up about. This year, on Monday 1st April (Yes, it is really happening!) the school will be closed from 1pm to enable the staff to collate all the relevant information about where the kids are at and develop lists of students who are on track and doing well, meeting expectations, having some troubles, or genuinely at risk of not succeeding. From there, this information will be gathered by our Pastoral Team who will be making contact with families to either discuss over the phone what is happening at school or, where necessary, requesting a meeting. If your child is currently on track and we have no genuine concerns about their achievement or behaviour than you won't hear from us in the first instance and it means we are very happy with what is happening here at school with your child.

If, for any reason, you would like to discuss something with us, we obviously still encourage you to make contact with the school, but we will not be holding a traditional Parent teacher interview evening this year. We will be open to feedback from the community about how that goes, but we are confident that it will be a more useful and relevant process for all involved.

Nāku noa nā

Cameron Davis
Principal

Western Swimming Results

Our swimmers competed in the Western Southland Primary School Swimming Championships in Riverton. Some great results, well done to you all.

Archie Willis – 3rd place for Backstroke, Breaststroke and Freestyle

Tahlee Allen – Made it to the finals

Taylor Elder – 2nd Breaststroke and Freestyle, Aparima Girls 11yrs and above, Freestyle Relay team – 3rd place

Caleb Diprose – 3rd place Freestyle, Aparima Boys 11yrs and above, Freestyle Relay team – 2nd

William Berkers – made it to finals for backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle, Aparima Boys 11yrs and above, Freestyle Relay team – 2nd

Neosha Grimwood – made it to finals for backstroke and freestyle, Aparima Girls 11yrs and above, Freestyle Relay team – 3rd place

Bridget Adams – 3rd place backstroke, 2nd place breaststroke, made it to the finals for freestyle, Aparima Girls 11yrs and above, Freestyle Relay team – 3rd place

Mali Grimwood – Made it to finals for backstroke, Aparima Freestyle Relay team place 2nd

Madisyn Wills – 2nd place for backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle, Aparima Girls 11yrs and above, Freestyle Relay team – 3rd place



Congratulations to our Athletic Champions for 2019

Senior Girls - Teagan Ashley
Senior Boys - Henry Wallace
Under 16 Girls - Trixie Bull
Under 16 Boys - Sam Johnstone
Under 15 Girls - Genna Woodward and Rose Winders
Under 15 Boys - Kalani Grimwood
Under 14 Girls - Alice Smith
Under 14 Boys - Logan Murdoch
Under 13 Girls - Neosha Grimwood
Under 13 Boys - Caleb Diprose
Under 12 Girls - Kiara Cleaver
Under 12 Boys - William Berkers

Swimming Reminder

A reminder to our Year 7 – 10 students you will be starting your aquatics module on **Monday March 18**. Information has been sent home to students. Remember your goggles and togs and of course a towel.

LitQuiz Gore Intermediate

Caleb Diprose, William Berkers, Tahlee Allen and Ruby Anderson at the LitQuiz at Longford Intermediate in Gore last week.



Book review on The Pied Piper of Hamelin by Russell Brand

I really enjoyed this book for some light reading as it was humorous, well written, and most importantly, interesting.

Some of the pros of the book were the illustrations, because they must have taken YEARS to draw and they looked AMAZING, another was the plot, it had a twist at the end, and you got to know the character.

One of the very few things that the book lacked was character development, and that's ok, because it was great in most categories.

Sam was a great character, and I feel like he should have been seen more throughout the book as the author implied, he was the main character.

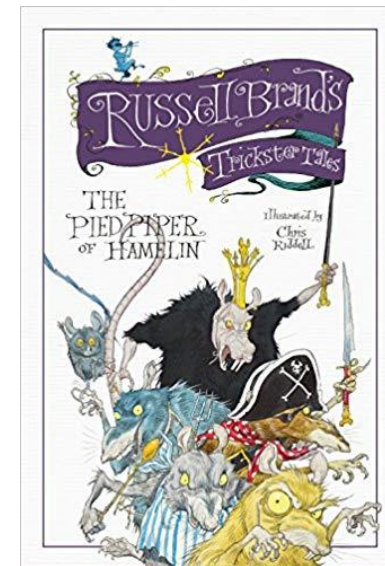
Fat Bob was a strange character, and he had an awful reputation or so I thought, but honestly, who would want an award for the slickest poop?

The rats too were hilarious and they did their job of absolutely annihilating that Town in the book.

I would recommend this to any audience that would want a good book to read because I thoroughly enjoyed this one.

I would rate it a 4 ½ star because it was almost flawless, and that ½ a star could have been fulfilled if we saw more of Sam and his gammy leg.

by *Riley Chapman*



Letter from David Attenborough

I wrote to David Attenborough because I want to be like him when I'm older, a wildlife photographer and naturalist. In my letter I wrote that I had watched most of his programmes and also have some of his books. He wrote a reply saying that he had really enjoyed reading my letter. I would really like to meet him one day.

by *Ruby Anderson, Year 7*



Congratulations

To our ex-student Amy Rule who has been awarded a Tania Dalton Foundation Scholarship through her rugby talents. Well done Amy this is very exciting, you certainly have put the hard work in.

Western Results

Congratulations to the following students who done well at Western Primary Athletics in Nightcaps on Tuesday.

William Berkers 1st 100m, 2nd 200m, 1st Shot Put, 2nd Discus

Saxon Heath-Tree 1st Long Jump, 2nd Shot Put, 1st Discus, 3rd High Jump and 2nd Nerf Throw

Jackson Hitchcock 2nd 100m, 1st 200m, 1st 800m, 1st High Jump

Carter Johnston-Wills 3rd 800m, 3rd 1500m

Shannon Cleaver 1st 100m, 1st 200m

Kiara Cleaver 2nd 100m, 2nd 200m, 1st 800m

Caleb Diprose 1st 800m, 1st 1500m, 3rd Long Jump, 2nd High Jump, 1st Shot Put and 2nd Discus

Byron Dewar 3rd Shot Put

Mali Grimwood 3rd Shot Put

Gabriel Robinson 2nd 800m, 3rd 1500m

Case Neylon 1st 100m, 1st 200m

Taylor Elder 3rd High Jump, 2nd Shot Put

Bailey Taitapanui 1st Discus, 3rd Shot-Put

Richiya Gillet 2nd Nerf Throw

Relay

11 Year girls – 1st

11 Year boys 1st

12 Year boys 1st

12 Year girls 4th

Those who were 1st and 2nd in their events qualify for Southland Primary Athletics held on Saturday 30 March.



Girls Active – Wahine Hohe Ambassadors Programme - Physical Activity Leader Workshop

During this past week there have been multiple sport related days. On Tuesday 12 March Southland Secondary Sports held a leadership course at the Stadium. This was a one-day workshop to help motivate and inspire a group of girls selected for their leadership potential to then inspire and influence other girls to be active. Team based activities were constructed by Fiona the Sports Director and her helpers, where we would have to use team work and communicate. Over all it was a great day, Rose, Kaitlin, Madisyn and I were happy of the new experiences and can't wait to show everyone else here at Aparima College.

by *Brooklyn Hitchcock*

Good Luck

To our students who will be competing in the Southland Primary School Athletics in Invercargill and to our students who will be travelling to Nelson to compete in the South Island Athletics.

UP AND COMING EVENTS

13 March 2019

SADD Workshop Invercargill 4:00 -5:30 pm

20 March 2019

Southland Youth Council Meeting 9:00am – 12:00 pm

21 March 2019

Forestry Careers Day

28 March 2019

Armed Forces Visit

29-31 March 2019

South Island Athletics in Nelson

3 April 2019

Otago University Liaison Visit

4 April 2019

Parent Interviews

1 April 2019

School Closing 1:00 pm

11 April 2019

ANZAC Assembly 2.30pm

SPORTS

13 – 15 March 2019

OREC Tramp

15 March 2019

Southland Athletics Invercargill

30 March 2019

Southland Primary School Athletics - Invercargill

31 March 2019

South Island Athletics Nelson

12 April 2019

School Swimming Sports

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Riverton Rugby Club - Kia Ora its Rugby Time

I hope you have had a wonderful off season. It is now time to register your awesome players. This year we are doing it online only to save double handling. The quicker this happens, the easier it will be to sort teams. The website is Sporty.co.nz/Rivertonrugby. We are still looking for Coaches B, D Grade, Managers B, C, D2. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Any questions please don't hesitate to contact Scott Wilson 021 0338 883.

Important A Grade must meet on 24 March at 10:00 am at Otautau Holt Park if they want to play.

"The Music Shed"

Welcomes Drum Tutor Wayne Muntz to the team, teaching both drumming and drum score reading. Enquiries for lessons with Wayne please contact Jenni a/h 03 234 8451 or ph/txt 0297708451. Band/group work and performance included twice yearly. Enquiries are also welcome for the Junior Ukulele Group with Judy McDowall and Summer Loncker who also takes littlies beginner (solo) guitar lessons.

KD Clean:

- Domestic Cleaning
- Carpet Cleaning
- Book a Batch
- Commercial Cleaning

New Services Available

- Gardening
- Laundry Service

Gift Vouchers available to purchase. For all enquiries or a free quote phone Debbie 027 334 9190



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Otago Spirit players!

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Contact warren.kearney@nzrugby.co.nz

Monday 15th April
St Kevin's College
OAMARU

Tuesday 16th April
Southern Rugby Club
DUNEDIN

Wednesday 17th April
Queenstown Events Centre
QUEENSTOWN

Thursday 18th April
Blues Rugby Club
INVERCARGILL

JUNIOR / PRIMARY GIRLS
Registration: 8.30am-9am
Camp: 9am-12pm

SECONDARY SCHOOL GIRLS
Registration: 12.30pm-1pm
Camp: 1pm-4pm



Aparima PTA Cabaret

Sports uniform fundraiser

Live local band with guest appearance

Cash Bar || Raffles || Auction || Supper

Aparima College Hall April 6th 7:30pm

R18 | Courtesy Coach | \$30

Tickets available from Aparima
College, Red Door or
Phone 027 4622 674

Patchwork with Angela Richardson at Aparima College

Beginners to Advance. Everyone Welcome. \$40 per day. 9:30am till 4:30pm.
Saturday 23 March 2019 and Saturday 27 April. For more information please ring
Kathleen Hancox 03 224 6209. Or register at Aparima College 03 2348 900.

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