



# Korero

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Area School

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## Principal's Comment

Kia Ora

The school is getting ready for a huge influx of people (at least 350) over the weekend celebrating the 125th Reunion of schools in the district. The official welcome ceremony is on Saturday at 10am. Our Yr 7/8 students (in their new Kapa Haka outfits) will perform the haka especially written by them for this event. We would welcome all students to attend this if they can. Any help with the morning tea at 11am would be appreciated.

There will be no school for students on Tuesday 7 June as this is a Teacher Only Day.

An excellent Kiwi Sport day was held in Whataroa on Tuesday. Our students looked stunning in their new tracksuits. The staff said there were lots of smiles and fun all day. Please look after these tracksuits. They have cost us \$130 each. Please read the instructions when washing them and preferably do them separately. We still need to raise a bit more money to pay for them all so if you have any ideas please let us know.

Last Tuesday we sent a small team of cross country athletes to the Secondary West Coast Cross-Country Championships. The students had the best performance that I can remember. Katie Brennan (1st), Andrew Jones (1st), William Schmetz (3rd), Olivia Gibb (4th). Congratulations to these students as this is an outstanding display for our small school. Well done to Danny Philps, Meg & Hugh Cornish and Josh Miller who also attended. Thanks to Mr Costello who supervised them on the day and said their behaviour was excellent and that they all made a great effort in trying conditions. Thanks also to Mr & Mrs Cornish who provided their van for transport.

Mr Brockbank has had a successful Yr 12 Geography trip to Dunedin last week, thanks to Mrs Schmetz for accompanying them. Our Yr 11 students had a 3 day Barista Course run here at school by Tai Poutini Polytech.

School photos are back in record time and individual/family portraits have been sent home. Class photos are on display in the office foyer if you wish to view them before purchasing. Money or photo packs need to be returned to the office **no later than Monday 13 June**. Class photos will arrive within ten days thereafter to the office and will be distributed to students.

Angela Sloane



## LEADERSHIP GROUP FUNDRAISERS

Mufti day will be held for the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal on **Friday 17 June**. Students are required to wear **red** and **black** to support the event with a **gold coin donation**. During the lunch hour we will be selling **American Hotdogs** (\$3 each). Help us support Christchurch!

We will also be holding a Movie Night on the Friday evening (17 June). There will be a Junior and a Senior session. More details will be posted around the school and in the next Korero.

Leadership Committee



## POOL KEYS

There are a number of pool keys not yet returned. If you have a pool key dangling from a keychain somewhere, please bring it in before the end of this term for a refund.

## LOST PROPERTY

There are quite a few items in our lost property bin. If your child is missing any items, please get them to check our lost property. Thank you to those parents who have named their children's clothing, this makes for a prompt return of missing items.

We have had a bag of clothing delivered to the office, which was left at a local river. If you think this could be yours then please call into the office.



## ABSENCES & BUS NOTES

If your child is absent please remember to let the office know. You can call the office (7533160) and talk to one of our staff members (option 2), leave a message on our answering machine (option 1), send us a fax (7533037), have your child drop a note off at the office or even pop us an email (mainoffice@southwestlandarea.school.nz or ruthmartin@southwestlandarea.school.nz), leaving student details and a reason.

Thank you to those parents who regularly let us know, this makes checking on our students safety a quicker and more efficient process.

If your son/daughter will not be travelling on the bus as usual they will need to bring a note to the office to go in their bus roll. If it is a regular event e.g. rugby practice, Cubs/Keas then one notice per term is fine.

If your son/daughter is not a regular bus student and would like travel on the bus, please check with the office first to see if there is room on the bus, as they are quite full, then send along a note on the day.

Ruth Martin



## Coming Events:

- 3 June - 125th Reunion
- 6 June - Queen's Birthday
- 7 June - Teacher Only Day
- 6 July - School Production

*Remember to scroll down to look at the current calendar on our web page:*

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Do you have a preschool child who is looked after by a Grandparent, Au Pair, Nanny, Whanau member, or Friend?

Did you know that Footsteps - Poutama offers a fully funded early childhood education support service at home?

Pamphlets are available through school and more information is available through our help line 0800 footsteps (366 878) or website www.footsteps.co.nz.

Remember to mention "South Westland Area School" upon enrolment to support the school and our children.

Trish Roberts



## SCOUTING NOTICE REMINDER

Come along to the school gym and discover the fun!

**Keas** - Yr 1/2/3

Monday 3.15 - 4.15pm

Donnell Appleby 7533250

**Cubs** - Yr 4/5/6

Wednesday 3.15 - 4.15pm

Jane Glancy 7533023

We are hoping to start a scout group very soon.

Parent help welcome and if you would like to be a leader for any age group contact Linda Brake 7533142.



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