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Kia ora whānau,

Sadly it has been a less than positive week here at school having suffered three burglaries. We have been alerted to the fact that once again many schools in our area have been targeted resulting in the loss of computers and other IT equipment. If you have any reliable information regarding these events we would love to hear from you.

Following the burglaries was the news that WordPress, the web software we use to develop our website, was hacked worldwide. Upon hearing this we acted immediately and took the site off line while we organised repair. We have employed Stace Hema from Cautio Ltd to work through the site and handle its security moving forward. Please be assured that our website is not attached in any way to our Ministry of Education approved student management systems, meaning children's private information is secure.

Let's move to celebrating learning with a report from Tuahine Hireke.

Last week Te Tikanga Rua Reo held a Whānau Day to build whanaungatanga. Our fantastic whānau gave up their day to run workshops. We took part in yoga, and learnt softball and soccer skills. Our parents taught the tauira to cook mouth watering fried bread, weave beautiful putiputi and learn the techniques of painting with acrylics. Whaea Debbie created a herb planter box. Matua Brizzy built pencil holders from wood with the children. Thank you to all whānau for their tautoko.











Three of our students: Henry T, Jonty and Samson alerted an adult to a potentially very harmful house fire after hearing an alarm going off. What a wonderful example of values in action.



Have a wonderful long weekend! Nga mihi, Ginnie and the team

SCHOOL NOTICES



Dav Pilkey Event - Last Friday a group of very excited children got to meet the author of Captain Underpants - Dav Pilkey. He talked about how he struggled at school due to learning and behaviour problems, but also how despite difficulties such as ADHD and Dyslexia, he worked with his strengths at drawing and story telling to become a popular author. His books have started many children off on a reading journey

with their quirky illustrations, memorable characters, crazy story lines and of course; the flip-o-rama. At the end of the event, we got to meet Dav and he signed books for the children. *Nikki De Vries*

Book Week – Help Needed - Calling out for helpers to run our Scholastic Book Fair during Book Week from 22-26 June. The fair will run in the hall all week before and after school. Please contact Kim Scadden at kim.scadden@stalbans.school.nz if you are able to help on any days.

Student Accounts - Thank you to those that have already made payment to their account following the mail out of statements last week. We would appreciate your attention to any outstanding amounts.

Weekly Sports Results & Player of the Day

Rugby: St Albans 7 Linwood 6 Keegan Richardson-Miller

Football A: St Albans 9 Linwood Ave 1 Fintan Maher Football B: St Albans 8 Linwood Ave 0 Tom Hearn

Netball A: Won by default Te Ao Marama Hema

Netball B: St Albans 20 Linwood 5 Ngaru Hepi
Hockey A: St Albans 25 Oaklands 0 Niamh McKenzie
Hockey B: St Albans 2 Elmwood 9 Harriet Speedy

Important notice: Official apology to Football A for publishing incorrect information last week. Mrs Fowley takes full responsibility. They WON against Cotswold 9 - 1. Sorry for any unnecessary pain caused to Mr Williams and all players, in particular Tatsumi Konshi, who was player of the day.

Gymnastics Schools Competition - Any parents that would like their child to be entered in the Artistic and/or Rhythmic competition for Canterbury Primary Schools. Please contact Mrs Fowley for more information dionne.fowley@stalbans.school.nz. Entries Close 11 June.

Titiro, whakarongo, kōrero.

Look, listen, then speak.

Zone Cross Country - On Tuesday twenty-four children represented St Albans School at the North East Zone's Cross Country, held at Halswell Quarry. Despite a cold start to the morning, it was one of the driest courses in years. The children ran exceptionally well and it was a great team effort by all. Special congratulations go to the twelve children who qualified for the Canterbury finals by coming in the top six places in their race. These are due to be held on Wednesday 10th June at Halswell Quarry. Many thanks go to all the parents who helped with transport and turned up to support the children on the day. Julie Worthington

Results:

Year 5 Girls

1st Lucy Haller, 2nd Lucy Ralph, 6th Sydney Marsh. 11th Miriama Brislane, 12th Lucy Campbell, 13th Phoebe Spear

Year 5 Bovs

5th Hapene Kumeroa, 10th Tatsumi Konishi, 11th Tana Davies. 12th Fintan Maher, 15th Jack McCabe

Year 6 Girls

2nd Niamh McKenzie, 4th Niamh Byrne, 5th Leia Baylis, 6th Elena Krauze, 8th Ella Cross, 15th Estella Wallace

Year 6 Boys

1st Angus Hill, 2nd Ben Cox, 5th Jake Dickey, 6th Harry Mayo, 11th Keegan Richardson-Miller, 15th Nikau Pouaka-Grego









PTA NEWS

- The PTA are selling tickets to the **Andrew Newton Show**, Andrew is an International Hypnotist. The show is on Saturday 13th June at 7.30pm at the Isaac Theatre Royal. Tickets are priced at \$20.00 and a portion of the ticket sales go back to the school. Get a group together young and old as it is a fun filled, family oriented show which is suitable for all ages. Tickets can be bought at the school office.
- Next Friday is **Sausage Sizzle** for lunch. A notice will come home on Wednesday and if your child would like a Sausage, \$2.00 can be paid in the classroom on Thursday for Friday lunchtime delivery.
- ☼ Entertainment Books Orders need to be placed by this Friday 29 May. Orders for both the hard copy book or the digital version can be made either by following this link www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/134943x or for the book option only, by dropping your order form into the school office. Support our school fundraiser and buy a book today!!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

House for Rent - Three bedroom, modern house for rent in St Albans. Available at the end of June. Phone Melanie on 021 150 1029 or 366 1177.



Halswell School Winter Carnival and Open Day – Monday 1 June 11am-3pm As the first school to go through a complete post earthquake rebuild (while the school continued to operate on the same site) we are opening our amenities to

the public of Christchurch. This is an opportunity for school communities, which may be about to embark on building MLE's to visit a completed rebuild. Teaching staff and children will be available to explain how things now work at Halswell.

As part of Halswell School's 150th Sesquicentennial Celebrations, taking place over the Queen's Birthday weekend, 31 May – 1 June, the school is hosting a Winter Carnival and Open Day on Monday 1st June. The Carnival will be largely held indoors or under cover and feature entertainment, games, craft stalls, food, raffles with great prizes as well as the usual stalls such as the White Elephant, Books, Toy and Games and Cakes. The Carnival will also act as an Open Day, so that members of the wider Christchurch community can view the new school and modern learning environments and have questions answered by members of the school staff. Location: Halswell School, School Road, Halswell, Christchurch. The entrance to the Carnival will be through the main school gates on School Road. Parking is available on the surrounding streets but please be aware that this is a residential area so be mindful of obstructing access for residents.

The Wonky Donkey Man (a.k.a Craig Smith) needs your help!

Craig is self-publishing his new book. For more information check out https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jWTVP-G1SmY and to support Craig go to https://www.pledgeme.co.nz/projects/3546

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