


11 September 2024

Week 8 Term 3

Newsletter 14



Coming Up...

Mon 16 Sept 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Te Kākano (Years 0-3) swimming lessons next 2 weeks - Board meeting 6.00pm
Wed 18 Sept	Term 1 2025 enrolment ballot applications close
Mon 23 Sept	Sexuality Education — parent evening 6pm
Wed 25 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jump Start 2.00pm - Assembly 2.15pm
Fri 27 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sausage sizzle \$2 - Colour Run 2.15pm - Term ends 3pm
Tues 15 Oct	Russley Music Night 7.00pm
Fri 25 Oct	Teacher-only day CLOSED
Mon 28 Oct	Labour Day public holiday
Mon 14 Oct	Term 4 begins

Our parent gathering this week focuses on the junior school. Over a cuppa, we'll chat about structured literacy, maths, science and fitness, and teachers will take parents on a tour of the junior classrooms. All welcome.

Coffee Chats

Huihui Mai — Come Together

Thursday 12 September 3.10pm, hall foyer



Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou katoa. Nau mai haere mai ki te kura Te Parito Kōwhai Russley.

Others matter = We succeed together

At this stage of the term, tolerances can become a little stretched. The constant and intense relationships, that are part of having 465 students bouncing around together, create lots of energy but can also wear relationships thin too.

We can demonstrate that 'others matter' in a myriad of ways. Being kind and considerate shows that you care and that the other person matters. It is unrealistic to expect everyone to be 'friends' with everyone; what we can expect from each other is that we can respect people, as people. In its simplest form, this starts with us not disrespecting or hurting each other. We look for ways to acknowledge and support others, rather than make comments that are designed to bring people down.

At school, we set high expectations for how people treat each other. How we talk to each other is one of the easiest ways to check in with how we are all going. If this isn't happening for your child, then please talk with your child's teacher about what is going on. By valuing and seeing that others matter, we can then succeed together.

Winter sport coaches

I take this opportunity to thank the parents who contributed to our winter sport programme. Your commitment greatly added to the student experience. We appreciate

your time and support. Basketball coaches, in particular, started way back in term 2 and as the season draws to a close, we acknowledge the additional time and expertise.

Getting ready for 2025

The staff has begun planning for 2025. If parents know their child/ren will not be attending Te Parito Kōwhai Russley School next year, please email details to the office reception@russley.school.nz.

A couple of general reminders...

- Uniform - please support your child/ren to look their best in our school uniform. Some second-hand uniform items are available at the office for \$5.
- An early reminder that sunhats are required by all students in Term 4.
- Traffic on Cutts Rd - please view Cutts Rd as a 'no turn-around' road. Increasing instances of dangerous driving are of concern. Please use the roundabout at Woodbury St if you need to change direction. U-turns or using neighbours' driveways to turn around simply blocks the traffic and creates risk. To avoid the need for double parking and blocking the busy street, children can walk a short distance to get to the school entrance.

Ngā mihi

Greg Lewis
Tumuaki | Principal
principal@russley.school.nz

Kōwhai Awards

Focus: Auahatanga

Te Kākano (Years 0-3)

Yuto Sasaki, Clark Aliwate, Izzy Rouse, Amna Dawood, Phoebe Oliver, Logan Roestorf, Izabella Evenden-Champion, Nivaya-Jaide Larkin-Samuel, Nathaniel Greaves, Zach Croton, Veera Sandheep, Mason Butler, Leo Le, Xavier O'Connell, Alysiah Manson, Finn Gillespie

Te Tohu Kōwhai Winner—Te Kākano
Lylah Palmer

Te Māhuri (Years 4-6)

Florence Gilmer-Potter, Lucas Meireles, Vinuthi Hewa Lunuwilage, Beau James Fihaki, Haylee Greene, Harper Turner, Senadi Gedara, Emily Saleh Barsoum, Mason Oliver, Tasha Perera, George Turnbull, Ruby-Grace Yellowlees

Te Tohu Kōwhai Winner—Te Māhuri
Connor Weir

Te Kōhure (Years 7-8)

Billy Bateman, Ashton Adams, Duo Xu, Willow Rentoul, Aria Nairn, Vyella 'Asi, Jakob Roberts, Blake Weir

Te Tohu Kōwhai Winner—Te Kōhure
Angus Li

Christchurch Schools' Music Festival

Russley School's choir will perform at the Christchurch Town Hall on Thursday 24 October. Tickets for sale at [Ticketek](https://www.ticketek.co.nz). Russley's choir will be seated on the left-hand-side of the auditorium, so spectators should select right-hand-side seats, for best view of the Russley kids.

Russley Music Night

Tues 15 October 7.00pm

NEW
DATE!

This event is rescheduled to Term 4. The following groups will perform: Ukulele Orchestra, Rock Band, Brass Band, North West Choir and Percussion Group.

School Journal Author



Congratulations to Ethan whose poem, *A Lounge of Little Lizards*, was published in the June issue of the iconic School Journal. Such a fabulous achievement to have student writing published alongside works by celebrated adult writers from Aotearoa NZ.

Head lice are on the move at Russley School. We ask parents to please check their children's hair and treat any infestation immediately to limit its spread. Infestations of head lice should be dealt with long before it becomes either highly visible or irritating. Treatment must be thorough, regular and carried out over a period of weeks. We appreciate parent support regarding this.



Sexuality Education—parent evening

In the first two weeks of Term 4, Russley teachers will be presenting to all students an education unit on relationships and sexuality.

Navigating the Journey is a comprehensive, age-appropriate programme developed by Family Planning for delivery in primary and secondary schools. It aligns with Ministry of Education guidelines on relationship and sexuality education.

A parent and whānau information evening will be held on **Monday 23 September at 6.00pm** in Te Ura 3&4 classrooms. We welcome your attendance. Please note—this meeting is not suitable for children.



Entries
close 18
Sept

RUSSLEY'S GOT TALENT

CAN YOU SING?
DANCE? MIME? JUGGLE?
WHY NOT AUDITION FOR
RUSSLEY'S GOT TALENT ?

**ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE IN ROOM 78
REGISTER BY WED 18 SEPTEMBER**

CATEGORIES:

JUNIOR (YEARS 0-3)

SENIOR (YEARS 4-8)

SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCES

**ATTENTION GROWN-UPS — IF YOU
ARE AN ENTERTAINER OR KNOW OF A
COMMUNITY GROUP THAT MIGHT
PERFORM, PLEASE EMAIL**

SOPHIE.LENNON@RUSSLEY.SCHOOL.NZ

FINAL WILL BE HELD ON

FRIDAY 8 NOVEMBER

Dance



Te Parito Kōwhai Russley School entered 3 soloists into the Dance NZ Made event held recently at the Aurora Centre. The dancers performed solos choreographed by past-pupil Amelia Nicholls. Results: Mia—Year 6 winner, Harper—Year 5 runner-up, Aimee—Year 5 second runner-up. We are proud of their success.

Hockey



Russley's Year 7/8 hockey team competed last week at Centrals Winter Sport Tournament, representing the NW Zone. The team played well and reached the quarter finals, eventually finishing 8th. An impressive performance considering the squad is made up entirely of Year 7's!

Duathlon



Russley had twelve Year 7/8's and seven Year 5/6's competing in the Primary Sport Canterbury duathlon at Ruapuna on Monday. Everyone did exceptionally well to finish such a taxing bike/run event. We are proud of our Russley sportspeople.













BB's Holiday Programme

Term 3 2024

Full Day 7:00am – 6:00pm: \$68.00
School Hours 8:30am – 3:00pm: \$58.00

*Additional Costs Apply for Excursions and Incursion Days (see below)

Venue: Clearview, Lemonwood Grove and Russley

<p>Monday 30th September</p> <p>Up, Up & Away!</p> <p>Get swept up, up, and away today on an adventure at BBs! Come and make a peg airplane and help capture all our angry birds that have flown away! We'll even test our flying and landing skills in a venue challenge!</p>  <p>Sport: Volleyball</p>	<p>Tuesday 1st October</p> <p>Mexican Fiesta</p>  <p>Hola amigos! Join us today for a Mexican fiesta! You'll decorate a delicious sombrero cookie and make your own individual party piñata! We'll create cool masks and have a go at Mexican sock wrestling! There will even be a fun chilli pepper relay to spice up the day!</p> <p>Sport: Football</p>	<p>Wednesday 2nd October</p> <p>Animal Antics</p> <p>Join us for a totally wild day, all about awesome, adorable animals! We'll make a super cute pencil topper! We'll play lots of animal themed games, challenge ourselves with animal yoga and exercise... It'll be great!</p>  <p>Sport: Yoga</p>	<p>Thursday 3rd October</p> <p>Gala of Games</p> <p>Are you ready to get your game on? Come and join us today to make your very own Make Company Hockey Puck Game! We will fill the day with adventurous games and activities! Don't miss out!</p>  <p>Incursion Cost: \$15 Sport: Tennis</p>	<p>Friday 4th October</p> <p>Cosy Cove</p> <p>Cruise into BB's today with your comfiest</p>  <p>clothes on and get ready for some BB's fun with your friends! We'll make our very own tassel friends, get mesmerised by a glittery creation, play musical games, and make a cool milky drink to enjoy with a movie!</p> <p>Sport: Cricket</p>
<p>Monday 7th October</p> <p>Challenge Mania</p>  <p>Today is all about challenging ourselves and learning the real-life skills of earning and spending. We will compete in fun competitions, challenges and games to earn special BB dollars. Then we'll set up our own BB venue shop, where the children spend their hard-earned cash!</p> <p>Sport: Relays</p>	<p>Tuesday 8th October</p> <p>Sports Galore at Action Indoor</p> <p>Have a blast - join us for 2.5 hours of energy-burning fun at, the fan-favourite, Action Indoor Sports! Coaches will teach Basketball and Dodgeball skills and you'll have lots of bouncing fun on the awesome inflatables!</p>  <p>Excursion and Travel Cost: \$32 Sport: Basketball & Dodgeball</p>	<p>Wednesday 9th October</p> <p>Mermaids and Pirates</p> <p>Ahoy mateys! Today, we're mermaids and pirates and we will create some binoculars to help us navigate them high seas! We'll channel our inner Captain Hook by making a fearsome pirate hook and replenish our energy as mermen and mermaids with a mouth-watering clamshell cookie!</p>  <p>Sport: Skipping</p>	<p>Thursday 10th October</p> <p>Around the World</p> <p>Come and explore the world today! Get creative by making Korean Danseon Fans, and even create your own Henna design! Once we've finished our navigations around the nations, we'll take it back to kiwi basics with some Tabletop Rugby!</p>  <p>Sport: Touch Rugby</p>	<p>Friday 11th October</p> <p>Dr Seuss Day</p>  <p>Let's round off the holidays with a day full of Dr Seuss fun! You will make your own Truffula Tree gel pen, Thing 1 and Thing 2 will be creating mischief, and you might even find that you like to rattle off some rhymes with an afternoon movie and scrumptious popcorn!</p> <p>Sport: Netball</p>

For more information please call 03 347 3031
Email: admin@busybumbles.co.nz
Book now at www.busybumbles.co.nz

AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL PROGRAMME



Russley School

Year 1 – Year 6

Details

25 October – 6 December (Fridays)

6-week programme - School ground

\$48

No Football on 15th November

Years 1-2 - 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Years 3-6 - 3:00pm – 4:15pm



Information

For more information and registration please go to the link below:

fctwenty11.co.nz/football-in-schools/

Training Format

- Individual Skill Development
- 1 v 1 Challenges
- Fun Small Games



Come and join our coaches and learn FOOTBALL with your school friends

Community Notices

Out of School Care

Busy Bumbles for onsite, before-and-after school care
<https://www.busybumbles.co.nz/>

Karate At Russley

5 to 13 years — Thursdays
5pm - 6pm. Adults' class
Thursdays 6pm—7.30pm.
hayden@takecontrol.co.nz

Love Tennis Day

**Sunday 8 Sept 10am-2pm,
Riccarton Domain Tennis
Club, 92 Yaldhurst Rd**

Tennis NZ's annual event when tennis clubs around the country open their doors to the community. Bring the family and give tennis a go for FREE.

- Prizes, BBQ, games
- Coaching for all ages & abilities – no experience necessary plus on-the-day discounted offers to join the club
- When you come along, you'll go into a draw for a trip to the Australian Open!

Football Holiday Camps

Christchurch United FC will be hosting several weeks of football camps over the upcoming holidays at the United Sports Centre designed for young children (ages 4-13). These are great camps for kids who want to be active and enjoy playing and learning football. Participants can come for a day or the duration of these development camps.

- **FUNdamentals - First Skills Camp (ages 4-7)**
- **World Cup - Juniors Football Camp (ages 8-12)**

<https://cufc.co.nz/holiday-program>



BestStart
Riccarton Park

Join our centre whānau!

16 Grey Way Road, Russley
(03) 930 1780
riccartonpark@best-start.org

Children's Theatre Audition Announcement

Ahoy there, me hearties! Luminaires is seeking singers, dancers and actors for their next major show, "Pirates of the Curry Bean". For ages 8-25. No experience necessary.

For more info and registration:

<https://forms.gle/PaGDwAc7gNDMP49P7>

If you have any questions or would prefer to be involved behind the scenes then find us on social media or email us
luminairescharitabletrust@gmail.com

Christchurch Avon Junior Athletics Club

Well organised, friendly athletics club catering for children of all abilities 5—14years. Club nights Wednesdays 5pm-6.45pm at Burnside High School starting 16 October. Saturday inter-club at Nga Puna Wai all-weather track also available. Registration day for new members is **Monday 14 Oct 5.00-6.30pm at CHAV club rooms – Burnside High School** (access by Greers Rd tennis courts). \$122 per child. Further info, contact Marilyn Morrison (Junior Club Captain) by email at marilyn-morrison52@gmail.com

Canvas Bag Drama School

Is your child dramatic and loves acting out stories? Our Merivale classes promise to be joyful creative adventures for 5-17 year olds. Join us for Term 4 theatre fun. Classes begin 14 Oct, combining a structured fun-filled social environment with extensive use of improvisation and role-play. Try a class for FREE!
www.canvasbag.nz



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME
5-12 YEARS
30 SEPT TO 4 OCT
102 AVONHEAD ROAD
BOOK AT ACTRUST.ORG.NZ



girls SMASH

BURNSIDE BURNSIDE PARK
MONDAYS | 4.00 - 5.00PM
4TH NOVEMBER - 9TH DECEMBER

SCAN HERE TO REGISTER



VISIONARY PRODUCTIONS
PRODUCTION OF

Seussical JR.

Music by **STEPHEN FLAHERTY** Lyrics by **LYNN AHRENS**

Book by LYNN AHRENS and STEPHEN FLAHERTY
Co-Conceived by LYNN AHRENS, STEPHEN FLAHERTY and ERIC IDLE
Based on Works of DR. SEUSS
Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australia)
All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia

OCTOBER HOLIDAYS
9th & 10th
11:00am 1:00pm
Papa Hou

www.trybooking.com/NZ/TOD



PRIMARY YEARS 5-11

TOOL BOX

Build a great family team and have fun along the way!

Over six fun, practical and inspirational sessions, a trained facilitator will guide you through topics including:

- The importance of aroha and connection
- Different parenting styles
- Discipline and boundaries
- Understanding your child's big emotions
- And lots more!

Tuesday 17th September 7pm

Email chair@actrust.org.nz to book
6 week course for only \$35 subsidized
by the Avonhead Community Trust

Aimed at parents with children aged 5-10
Venue - Avonhead Baptist Church
102 Avonhead Road

ZONTA YELLOW ROSE RUN

AND WALK FOR FOSTER HOPE

13
OCTOBER
2024
9:00AM
REGISTRATION OPENS 8AM

NORTH HAGLEY PARK

JOIN THE FUN & HELP RAISE MONEY FOR FOSTER HOPE

All proceeds go to Foster Hope, a charity providing essential items and support to children in care throughout New Zealand.

\$15 ADULTS
\$10 STUDENTS
KIDS FREE UNDER 12
when accompanied by an adult

ZONTA
Building a better world
for women and girls

REGISTER ONLINE
zontarun.org.nz

Join us in celebrating International Day of the Girl

CALLING ALL GIRLS! GIVE CRICKET A GO!

PLAY CRICKET AT BURNSIDE THIS SEASON!

Have a go at playing cricket this summer!

North West Women's cricket offers skills sessions mixed in with the boys at the Burnside Friday night "Smash Play" and Kiwi Cricket program during Term 4 and Term 1 from 6pm to 7pm.

For our older players we provide Saturday morning team play, all girls junior teams from school year 4 playing Div 4 and Div 3 cricket, and all-girls Youth teams for school years Year 9 through to 13. For more information visit northwestwomenscricket.org.nz or email cricket@northwestwomenscricket.org.nz. You can also find us on Facebook, just search for North West Women's Cricket!

How to Register:
Register in person at one of our Registration Days at the Burnside Cricket Pavilion, 340 Avonhead Road, Burnside. The doors will be open from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon on each of the following days:
Saturday 14th, 21st and 28th of September.

Or register online by clicking here <https://bit.ly/4fW5tSz> or scanning this qr code.

Saturday morning CJCA cricket from Year 5 to Year 8. Come and make some new friends, play a team sport and learn new skills.

How to Register:
Register in person at one of our Registration Days at the Burnside Cricket Pavilion, 340 Avonhead Road, Burnside. The doors will be open from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon on each of the following days:
Saturday 14th, 21st and 28th of September.

Or register online by clicking here <https://bit.ly/4cCuj84> or scanning this qr code.

Our Friday Night "Smash Play" and Kiwi Cricket skills sessions are for girls and boys from school years 1-4

How to Register:
Register in person at one of our Registration Days as seen above.

Or register online by clicking here <https://bit.ly/4dXPSRX> or scanning this qr code.