

Limehills School Newsletter

20th September 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

We are very very proud of our young scientists. Last week, Limehills students scooped 12 prizes at the NZAS Southland Science Fair. Special congratulations must go to Josh Cairns, who won the year 5/6 section and received the 'Excellence in Science' award. The judges gave us glowing feedback about all our students, including how actively involved they were in meaningful science projects, how well they could articulate their own learning and the level of sophistication of their thinking. Well done everyone.

Also congratulations to Keely Anderson-Kereti, who delivered an amazing speech about 'How to Annoy Your Parents' at the Venture Southland Speech Finals on Friday night. Keely just missed out on a placing in a very close competition, but we are very proud of her achievement. Well done Keely.

Finally, the Home and School Committee's Annual Spring Muster is underway. This is our major fundraiser for the year and provides a much needed boost to our school funds. The Spring Muster is for every person in our community, not just the farming families. Please support it if you can. Details are on pages 3 and 4.

FANTASIC SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS!

Well done to all our prize winners in this year's New Zealand Aluminium Smelters Science and Technology Fair.

- Josh Cairns - NZAS Excellence in Science Year 5 & 6 "Gestation Sensation"
- Josh Cairns - Gold Science and Technology Award "Gestation Sensation"
- Bayden Cooper & Ben Cairns - Bronze Science and Technology Award "The Fertility Factor"
- Cameron Scully - Bronze Science and Technology Award "Bouncing Balls"
- Lucas Gill - Bronze Science and Technology Award "The Phosphate Factory"
- Maisie Smith - NZAS Special Award for Effort "Science of the Lambs 2"
- Lucas Gill - Fonterra Future Leaders Awards "The Phosphate Factory"
- Oliver Gill & Daniel Munro - Fonterra Future Leaders Awards "Seed Power"
- Milly Turrell - Award of Commendation "Eat What's On Your Plate!"
- Oliver Gill & Daniel Munro - Award of Commendation "Seed Power"
- Nicholas Hammond - Award of Commendation "Making Your Journey Safer"
- Josh Spedding - Award of Commendation "Distracted Driving"



What's On Diary

September

20	Rm 3&4 Swim/Ice skating trip
21	Y4-6 REAP Robotics Day 4
22	Dress Like A Pirate Day
22	Mark Oster visits Farm Group
25	Talent Quest Heat 1
26	Talent Quest Heat 2
27	Talent Quest Heat 3
27	SMAC Maths Competition
28	Talent Quest Final
29	End of Term 3
30	Limehills Pool opens

October

16	Start of Term 4
16-19	Room 7 Arrowtown Camp
19	BOT meeting 7pm
23	Labour Day (No School)
25	Share the Road Roadshow "Tour of Southland"
25	Central Tennis Champs
26	Y7-8 REAP Robotics Day 1
27	Putangitangi
30	Pet Day

November

1	Southland Tennis Champs
2	Y7-8 REAP Robotics Day 2
6	John Parsons, ICT Safety Expert visit
7	Y3 SMAG Art
8	Y5/6 SMAG Art
9	Enviroschools Hui - Curio Bay
9	Western Zone Golf Tournament
9	Y7-8 REAP Robotics Day 3
9	Y7/8 SMAG Art
13-17	Swimsafe
16	Science Roadshow - Winton
16	Y7-8 REAP Robotics Day 4
20-24	Swimsafe
21	HPV (Year 8)
22	Room 3&4 Trip
22-23	Room 4 Camp
26	Whanau overnight at Marae
27	Rm 5&6 overnight at Marae

December

4	BOT Meeting
5	Y3 SMAG Art
5-6	Room 6 Camp Kepler
6	Y4/5 SMAG Art
7	Y7-8 Surfing & Sailing
7	Y7/8 SMAG Art
8	Y5-6 Surfing (tbc)
14	Last day of term (Years 0-7)
14	School Prizegiving
15	Last day of term (Year 8)

February 2018

7	First day of term
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**Home & School Meeting
Tues 26th September**

FROM THE BOARDROOM

Hi all. Last year we had a Board report, following our Board meetings, in the newsletter. We think this is a great idea as the communication between us all is important, so here I am back writing again.

Congratulations to all who were involved in this year's Science Fair. The time and effort put in to designing the experiment, collecting data and then presenting it in the way you did is a credit to all. Wow, what a fantastic job and the results reflected that.

In our August meeting we approved 4 exciting camps. It's always great to see our kids learning outside the classroom where they can challenge themselves in a different way than they are used to.

The Board has been discussing succession and what that could look like for the school. It concerns the Board that in the normal election cycle all Board members are up for re-election at the same time. This can be an issue with the continuity of the Board. To remove this risk, there is an option to hold 'Staggered Mid-Term Elections'. This means elections every 18 months and only half the Board go up for re-election and then serve out their 3 year term. If you would like to learn more about this, please come along and help us discuss this option at our next Board meeting at school on the 19th October, 7pm. You have the right to attend any meeting, or talk to myself or any of the other Board members, as all feedback is welcome.

Finally I must take this opportunity to thank our wonderful staff for a great year so far, you all go the extra mile and I'm sure I can speak for the rest of the school community and say thank you, we appreciate it.

Pete Hammond, BOT Chair

DON'T FORGET:
Dress Like A Pirate Day
Friday September 22nd



Our Worm Farm Needs Your Help!

The worm farm group are wondering if anyone has an old bathtub that we could use to house our worms. We are also looking for some dried leaves.

If you can help supply any of those things, please contact alfiec@limehills.school.nz, lukash@limehills.school.nz or contact the school office.

Term Dates for 2018

Term 1 7 Feb - 13 April

Term 2 30 April - 6 July

Term 3 23 July - 28 September

Term 4 15 October - 20 December

(apologies for incorrect dates last week)

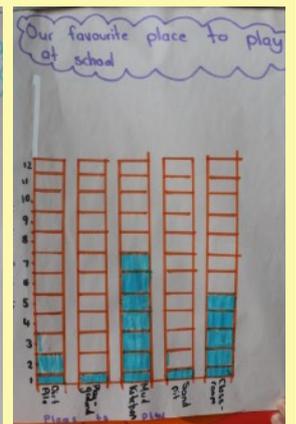
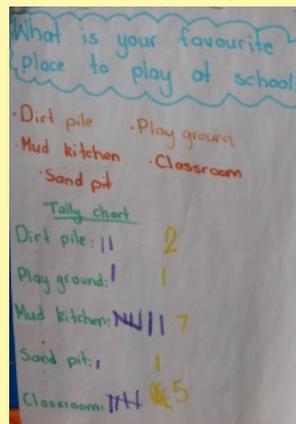
Citizenship Ceremony

"My family is going to take the final step to becoming New Zealand citizens! Myself and my brother Franciz won't be at school on Wednesday 20th September 2017. We will be at the Winton Memorial Hall on Meldrum Street for a ceremony called the Citizenship Ceremony. The Mayor, Gary Tong, will lead the ceremony. Franciz and I are wearing shirts that are blue. My Dad is wearing a purplish shirt. Mum and Franzine are wear blue dresses with shoulder guards."

By Frinz Catli, Room 5

Statistical Investigation

Room 2 has been busy learning about numbers, statistics and how to collect data and show results. Flynn Roskam said, "It was fun and exciting to find out our favourite places to play." He also said, "The mud kitchen was the most popular place to play and the least popular was the playground. We learnt about numbers and colouring in the bar graphs. It is easy to see the results on the bar graph".



TERM 4 TOUCH

Yes, it's that time of year again. Central Touch module starts in term four so we need to get the mixed teams sorted and entered online asap. Touch is played on Fridays between 4pm - 5pm at Moores Reserve, Price Rd, Winton.

Starts 20th October and runs to 1st December with 8th December reserved as a catch up day if required.

This year, the cost will be \$14 per child. This is an optional activity and the charge will be placed on your child's school account.

We will enter the same teams as Term 1. Please confirm if your child is playing or not. Also new players are welcome and encouraged.

We need managers (on and off field) and/or referees for each team. Again we are reliant on parent help and team entries will be subject to availability of managers. Can you or perhaps your high school children help?

Please complete and return the form below, or email office@limehills.school.nz by **Friday 22nd September**.

I do / do not give permission for the following children to play touch on Friday afternoons in Term 4 2017.

Year 1/2: _____

Year 3/4: _____

Year 5/6: _____

Year 7/8: _____

Sorry / Yes, we can help by managing / refereeing. Name of helper(s): _____

Parent/Caregiver: _____

Signed: _____

Limehills Community Pool

Our fantastic community pool is opening on 30 September and keys are now available for purchase by either emailing limehillspool@gmail.com for documents and posting them to the Key Coordinator or calling into the Limehills School office.

2017/18 Season Key Charges

- **First Time Key Holder:** \$120 (need signed Key Holders agreement)
- **Annual Renewal:** \$110 with key returned
- **Annual Renewal:** \$130 with key not returned
- **Foundation/Life Member:** \$60 suggested donation if key returned
- **Lost Key:** \$20.00 replacement fee.

Lessons

H2O Dreams are running lessons at the pool on Monday and Thursday afternoons and bookings are now open via their website (h2odreams.co.nz) by clicking on the pink learn to swim button.

The costs are:

- Preschool Groups \$95.00 per child for 10x25 minute lessons
- Guppies, Turtles, Stingrays, Crocodiles, Dolphins \$112.00 per child for the term for 10x25 minute lessons
- Barracudas is \$119 for 10x45 minute lessons per child.

Sessions are filling fast and the Monday Barracuda session is already full. Progress reports from last year can be resent if requested.

Limehills School Spring Muster

We'd like to thank you for pledging to support our Limehills Home and School Committee by donating a calf or lamb this year.

CALF DONATIONS The Home & School Committee will provide a yellow numbered ear tag for your calf. As we are not NAIT registered and the donated stock don't set foot at the school we are unable to provide EID tags. Could you please tag your calf with your own EID tag. We will wend the calves at pickup time, record the EID numbers and arrange the NAIT transfer after pickup. Pickup/drop off (with TB docket please) will be in November (exact date will be confirmed at a later date) To enable us to form a tidy line of calves for sale, if at all possible we would ideally love a fresian (5 white points) or a beef bull calf but any breed would be gratefully received.

LAMB DONATIONS Limehills School are Alliance account holders. If your farm supplies lambs to Alliance you can advise Alliance of your donation and they can deposit your lamb income directly to the Limehills School account. If you supply another company could you please deliver your lamb to the school and it can be sent from there. Could you please advise Janine on 021 435 385 if you are planning to send your lamb via the school.

If you would like to support our fundraiser please see overleaf for more details. Thanks again for your support, any questions please contact Janine Chrystall on 021 435 385.

Limehills Tennis Club

Is your child interested in playing Saturday tennis for the Limehills Club? Games are held in the Central Southland Area on Saturdays mornings 9:30am till 11:30am. The competition is for Novice players and Open players up to year 10. We are looking at maybe having three grades this year. The season will start mid October and run till the end of March 2017. Please confirm your interest by 27th September - contact Debbie Munro - mobile 0211873190 or email limehillstennis@gmail.com.

Limehills Tennis Club AGM

Limehills Tennis Club AGM will be held at the Winton Top Pub 6pm, Thursday 21st September. All welcome. Any apologies to limehillstennis@gmail.com.

Winton Cricket Club

Wednesdays at Moore's Reserve, Winton.
Superstar Cricket Academy (8-aside junior development programme) 4pm, \$20 per player, starts 1st November
Y5/6 and Y7/8 club team practices 4pm, starts 28th October.
Contact Hunter Murray 0274147653 or Malcolm Walker 0278196903 if you are interested in either of the above.

Winton Athletics Club 2017/18 Season Opening Night

Tuesday 17th October 2017 at 5:15pm at the CSC grounds.
All new and existing athletes welcome!

Winton Library

Reminder to all parents to visit this wonderful resource over the holidays. It doesn't take long to sign up to borrow books and it will also help the kids to borrow when their class visits the mobile book library during school term too.

Cash for Communities

Cash for Communities is a joint partnership between PGG Wrightson and Ballance. Purchase Ballance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser this spring to raise funds for our local community. \$1 is donated to the school for every tonne you buy! Nominate our school by visiting cashforcommunities.co.nz.

Central Primary Schools Sports Activator Holiday Programme

2nd-5th October, 9am - 3pm daily at Winton Indoor Courts, John St.
Years 0-8, \$20 per child.
Spaces are limited, email activator@winton.school.nz to register.

Central Southland Swimming Club

Central Southland Swimming Club have new swimming coaches & registrations are being taken now for Term 4.
If you would like more info or to get your kids registered contact us on centeralsouthlandswimming@gmail.com on Facebook or call 02102559398.

Winton Football 5 aside Summer League

Playing days: Thursdays starting 19 Oct and finishing 14 Dec.
Playing times: seniors 2 x games each night 6.30pm and 7.00pm starts; juniors 2 x games each night 5.30pm and 6.00pm starts.
Costs: seniors (year 9 – adult) \$100 per team; juniors Div 1 (yr 6-8), Div 2 (yr 1-5) \$10 per player.
Team entries and enquiries can be sent to 5aside.wintonfootball@gmail.com and an entry form will be sent out along with rules. Entries close on 29 September.

Southern REAP "Cooking 4 KIDS" with Angela Richardson

10 – 13 year olds, come along and have a fun day learning various cooking and baking methods. Practice safety in the kitchen with utensils, good hygiene practices... and produce some yummy treats!
Thursday 12 OCTOBER or Friday 13 OCTOBER - \$40 at C.S.C WINTON. Phone Southern REAP on 03 236 6008 or email enquiries@reap.co.nz to enrol.

It's that time of the year again, we've passed the shortest day of the year.... yippeeeeeeee!

Limehills School Spring Muster 2017

Firstly we'd like to do a huge shout out to the amazing families that donated a calf/lamb or their hard earned cash to our spring muster last year. Because of your generous support we raised \$9,000 for our Limehills Home and School Committee. This money was spent on the modern learning environment/classroom redevelopment.

The 2017 Spring Muster is to raise funds for:

-  ICT equipment (digital technology, laptops/ipads etc
-  Outdoor furniture



If you would like to support our Spring Muster this year there are 3 different ways you could donate:



Donating a bull calf in Nov @ 100kg+



Donating a finished lamb in Jan/Feb



Donating any cash amount \$.....

\$10, \$20, \$50?? Any amount would be gratefully received.

Bank Acc 12-3184-0008616-51

Name.....

Email Address

Calf pickup address

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Ph no

(If you are able to donate could you please return this section to the school office)