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Newsletter

Thursday 14 March 2019

Tena koutou katoa

Relay for Life—Well done to all students who participated in the annual Cancer Society Relay for Life Fundraiser held last weekend. Craighead students have always supported this particular event, mindful of the fact that cancer affects all families at some stage during a person's life. We raised over \$700 for the event, which is a good effort for a small school community.

South Island Secondary Schools Rowing Championships—This was a very successful regatta and the last chance for intense racing in the build up to the Aon Maadi Cup being held at Lake Karapiro in two weeks' time. Congratulations to all our crews for their performances on the water, which show that we are still on the improve. Full results are detailed on the next page. Huge thanks to our team of wonderful rowing parents and rowing management, supported by family members from the wider South Canterbury region. Most of the Timaru schools performed extremely well over the weekend, which saw a number of crews gain South Island titles.

Administration—Further to my newsletter article last week about the process for applying for leave of absence from School, can we please remind parents that they must come to the School office and sign in before trying to locate a daughter's whereabouts during regular school hours. This is a health and safety requirement—we must know who is on (or off) the School campus at any given time. If you wish to drop something off for your daughter, please come to the front office where our friendly office staff will assist you.



Regarding communications outside normal school hours, in these technological times the main form of communication is probably via email. Some students make contact with their subject teachers in the evenings, often quite late, and sometimes requesting school work to be provided at short notice if they are going to be absent from classes. While many teaching staff are happy to be contacted in the evening by email, they also have their own lives and families to consider. Staff will respond to requests in a timely manner which best suits their particular situation.

School Strike 4 Climate Change, Friday 15 March—Our Global Citizens have responded to the call for school-age students to join in peaceful protest about inaction on global climate change. Inspired by Swedish teenager Greta Thunberg who spoke at the United Nations Climate Conference last December as a 15 year-old, the Global Citizens Committee are organising for a group of Craighead students to catch the bus from Highfield, travel to the Timaru District Council offices, and challenge local body politicians to act on climate change. Students who show a commitment to this cause are asked to get prior written permission from their families by the end of today, Thursday, before joining the action. Our students will be accompanied there and back, and supported by some teachers. We encourage this proactive approach by committed individuals, but it should not be used as an excuse to get out of classes!

The Ordination of Craighead Chaplain Reverend Lucy Flatt will take place this Sunday at St John's Church, Highfield, beginning at 5pm. We are very excited for Lucy and her family, as she will be ordained by the new Bishop of Christchurch, Bishop Dr Peter Carrell. All are welcome to attend.

God Bless—Lindy Graham, Principal

YEAR 10 LEARNING CONFERENCES

On Friday 22 March we will be running our Year 10 Learning Conferences. This is your chance as a Year 10 parent to come along and meet those teachers taking your daughter's classes this year. This meeting will run instead of the more traditional Parent/Teacher Interviews, which will be held in Term 2. An email outlining this more fully has been sent to all Year 10 parents. We look forward to meeting you all in the Turley Auditorium next Friday at 3.45pm.

DIARY DATES...

MARCH

Mon 18-Fri 22 Y7 Camp, Queenstown Tue 19—Thu 21 Y13 History Trip, Arrowtown

Sat 23-Sun 24

NZSS Rowing, Maadi Cup Regatta, Lake Karapiro Sun 24-Sat 30

Mon 25 Y7&8 Cricket 9.30-3.30pm Thu 28 SISS Athletics, Nelson TGHS Social 7-9pm

APRIL

Easter Chapel Services, compulsory attendance Sun 7

required, 5pm, Turley Auditorium

Fri 12 TEACHER-ONLY DAY, LAST DAY TERM ONE

SHOOTING SUCCESS...



Meet Emma Peckitt-Deputy Sacristan 2019

I still remember arriving at Craighead in 2013 and being in complete awe of the school which provides so many opportunities that my little Year 7 brain could struggled to handle. At first, I joined every group I could, including Junior Choir and several sports teams. I have always

been proud to call myself a Craighead girl and loved representing Craighead at sports exchanges and local events. Craighead has taught me to push myself beyond my comfort zone. In Year 9, I become a Boarder this was one of the best decisions that I have made. Being surrounded by similar strong-minded girls made me feel at home, and over the years we have become very close. I have formed many great memories with these friends which I will treasure forever.

Every year, I try to challenge myself to participate in new experiences. One of the main things that interested me about Craighead was the Special Character of the school and when I was appointed to the role of Deputy Sacristan, I was excited to be serving my community—a very humbling experience. Everyday I am seeing new aspects of Chapel life and loving every minute of it. This year, Craighead has the honour of hosting the Anglican Schools' Conference, and I am excited to meet new people who can educate me further, and to make new friends.

Never did I think that pushing myself out of my comfort zone would be so rewarding, and I am looking forward to what the rest of the year will bring. I am incredibly thankful to Reverend Lucy for letting me explore a part of Craighead in which I have always been interested. I would also like to thank Jessica Townshend, Head Sacristan and one of my first friends at Craighead, for taking me under her wing and supporting me in my role. I am really enjoying working alongside her.







South Canterbury Primary Schools' Triathlon teams:

Honour Andrews Charlotte Blake Faith Coffin Abbie Donaldson Emily Goldsbury Brylee Payne Kate Ritchie Poppy Slater Alice Taylor Ella Turnbull

FROM THE BOARDING HOUSE

Weekend activities...

Friday 15 March Saturday 16 March Sunday 17 March DVD night Caroline Bay Rock & Hop Jacks Point Lighthouse walk and Aigantighe Art Gallery



Mrs Tracy Dockrill— Acting Director of Boarding email <u>dockrilltr@craighead.school.nz</u>

Left: Year 9 students Nikita Baynes, Eden Winterburn and Kaitlyn Murray during the Boarders' visit to Lake Tekapo last Saturday.

CAREERS

DEFENCE FORCE OPPORTUNITY FOR YEAR 12 AND YEAR 13 STUDENTS

The NZ Defence Forces are running a

Defence Careers Experience (DCE) at Burnham Military Camp from 14-18 April. They are looking for smart, active and team-minded candidates who are interested in joining the NZDF once they leave school. While ideally suited to Year 12 students, Year 13 students can also apply. Applications close 20 March, and can be made online through the NZDF Careers Facebook page. Please contact Mrs Vicky Campbell if this is of interest to your daughter: campbellvi@craighead.school.nz

Measles update...

Currently there are no cases of Measles in South Canterbury, however, it is good to be aware and take the opportunity to immunise for Measles via the MMR immunisation.



This can be organised through your General Practice (Doctor and Practice Nurse). Canterbury is currently under the direction of Dr Ramon Pink, Medical Officer of Health, and there have been no guidelines for us in South Canterbury yet. I will notify the School community if there are any guidelines put in place for the South Canterbury DHB.

In summary, measles is not of concern in South Canterbury at present, but being prepared and taking the opportunity to immunise is useful.

Nicole Kennedy—Public Health Nurse, RN, South Canterbury District Health Roard.



Our first Parents' & Friends' Association meeting for 2019 will be held tomorrow,

FRIDAY 15 MARCH

1.00pm, in the Turley Auditorium.

Please consider attending this meeting and showing your support to this long running

association with a strong history of building relationships and supporting the school, its staff and pupils. Please contact **Tracy McLeod** if you would like further information regarding Craighead Parents & Friends: **phone 027 609 0656 or email <u>dtamcleod@outlook.com</u>**

Please forward brief details of student news and achievements to Katie.mackenzie@craighead.school.nz

South Island Secondary Schools' Rowing Championships

Congratulations to the Craighead Rowing squad on some fantastic results at last weekend's SISS Rowing championships held at Lake Ruataniwha, Twizel, where our crews won an impressive eight medals, including three Gold and five Bronze. This is their last regatta before they head to NZSS Maadi Cup regatta at Lake Karapiro at the end of next week.

Phoebe Trolove, Gold—U18 Single Sculls

Isabelle Bartlett and Emma Jarvie, Gold—U18 Coxless Pair

Phoebe Trolove, Nikita Clemens, Isabelle Bartlett, Emma Jarvie and cox Bailey Smith, Gold—U18 Coxed Quad Sculls

Phoebe Trolove and Nikita Clemens, Bronze—U18 Double Sculls
Phoebe Trolove, Nikita Clemens, Amy Taggart, Isabelle Bartlett and cox
Bailey Smith, Bronze—U18 Coxed Four

Amanda Shallard and Kate Crawford, Bronze—U18 Novice Double Sculls
Alexandra Williamson and Kate Crawford, Bronze—U15 Double Sculls
Mia Parker, Alexandra Hopa-Parke, Ava Young, Rosa Izard and cox
Zoliekah Judd, Bronze—U16 Coxed Four.



Craighead
Sports Portal

Sports Permission Forms and General Information

Please use the following link: https://www.sporty.co.nz/craighead

Or go to www.craighead.school.nz and click on Craighead Sports Portal

Otherwise, there is an App that parents/students can download to phones:

- 1. Go to App store or Google Play
- 2. Search for Sporty NZ, download and open
- 3. Click onto App and type in Craighead

SINGING - GUITAR - UKULELE



Would your daughter like to learn an instrument this year?

Sheryl and Al Bradley have limited spaces available for lessons held at Craighead during school hours. If you would like more information please contact them:

Email: enquiries@starboundstudios.co.nz

or phone: 021 426 690

CRAIGHEAD UNIFORM SHOP—for new uniform only

Opening every Friday—3.30-4.30pm—EFTPOS available
Contact Angela Fairbrother, baz.ange@xtra.co.nz or 027 223 2503
if you have any queries.

CRAIGHEAD SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Dates coming up...

Tomorrow, Friday 22 March, 5 April and 3 May—3.30-4.30pm Cash or cheque only at Second Hand Shop



ROWING FUNDRAISER

Fundraiser for Craighead Rowing squad to attend NZ Secondary Schools Maadi Cup Regatta at Lake Karapiro

Craighead Green polar fleece blanket, ideal for winter sport—\$50
Please order by 22 March 2019—email rowing@craighead.school.nz
or phone Michelle Smith, 021 044 2172