

3 June 2010

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK.....

Greetings everyone. We've had a fairly busy week here at Woodlands School – plenty to tell you about and it's good to be busy.

On Monday our Year 6-8 students spent a day training to be Physical Activity Leaders (PALs) under the tuition of Jim Watson (Sport Southland). This will be an excellent leadership opportunity for those chosen to be our first PALs. Their main task is to lead games in the playground during lunchtimes.

A very special welcome goes to Mrs Carol McKenzie who has joined our staff to teach Reading Recovery as Mrs Rankin is ill. We're just delighted to have such an experienced, highly skilled teacher living right here in Woodlands.

Congratulations to Laura and Logan Dennis who got 1st and 3rd respectively in the poster competition advertising Southern Zone Music Festival. A superb effort! The Music Festival tickets will be going on sale at the Invercargill City Council booking office and on www.ticketdirect.co.nz from June 10th onwards. The Festival is on Thursday, June 24th – something to look forward to, especially for our Year 5-8 students in the choir.

The Southspell competition was held last night – a chance for our spelling whizzes to test their skills against many other Southland schools. Some of the questions even challenged adults in the audience! Congratulations to our two teams for representing Woodlands School so well and even though we weren't 1st, 2nd or 3rd, this was a good extension opportunity for them. The teams were:

Yr 7/8 – Breann Craig, Ellen Foster, Millie Tomlinson & Emma Napper.

Up to Y6 – Melissa King, Ruby Fleming, Laura Dennis & Rebekah Crean.

We have another new student. Her name is Amber Melville. Amber is in Year 5 and comes from Brighton, near Dunedin. We welcome Amber and her parents Sheree and Guy, to the Woodlands School community. We're definitely expecting six more students over the next few days so I'll tell you about them next week.

This week I've travelled on one of our school buses to get to know the school area. I've also attended my first PTA meeting – what an amazing group of parents who are so committed to helping the children of this school with their fundraising ideas and practical help.

Don't forget – no school on Monday!

Fiona Murray

Upcoming Events.....

4 June	Parent Surveys due back Fun Ferns netball starts 4pm
7 June	Queens Birthday (school closed)
11 June	Burger Fridays begin Southland Cross Country at Dipton
14 June	BOT Meeting 7pm
15 June	Bookbus for Rm 1 students Health Nurse Visit
18 June	Pre School Preparation Programme 1.25 – 2.25
24 June	Southern Zone Music Festival for Y 5-8
29 June	Health Nurse Visit
2 July	End of Term 2
19 July	Start of Term 3

Sports Results

Hockey

Woodlands played Sacred Heart and won 2 – 1. Player of the Day was Simon Gray. Next Wednesday they will play St Theresa's at 4.45pm on Turf 2 Field 1.

Football

On Monday Woodlands played All Stars and won 2 - 1. Player of the Day was Jack Conroy. There is no game this coming Monday due to Queens Birthday.

Netball

On Tuesday, the Year 5 & 6 Future Ferns team played Tisbury Blue and lost 3 – 18. Player of the Day was Albie Small. Next Tuesday they will play Windsor Winners at 4:30pm on Court 6.

The Year 3 & 4 Future Ferns team played Rimu Black and lost 1 – 9. Player of the Day was Cilla Tomlinson. Next Tuesday they will play Waverley Park Wishes at 4pm on Court 9 (please note that courts 8-11 are in the Velodrome).

The Year 1 & 2 Fun Ferns will meet TODAY at 4pm on Court 6 for their first Skills Session. All welcome, you don't have to be previously registered.

Absences

Parents, please let the school know when your child is absent. When a child is not at school, and we don't know why, Nicky has to spend quite a bit of time ringing parents. This is a "must do" for the safety of your children. If ringing the school is not always the easiest option, you can email admin@woodlandsfp.co.nz or text us on the school mobile phone 027 758 1503.

School Banking

School banking is done every Tuesday morning at 8:50am through National Bank. If you would like an application form for a National Bank account for your child/ren, please ring the school office.

Weekly Awards

Certificates presented at assembly last week:

Maths	Charles Abalos
Reading	Emma Napper
Writing	Maggie Fleming
Spelling	Grace Cuttance

Certificates of the Week for Caring:

Room 1	Hamish Cochrane
Room 2	Claudia Baird
Room 3	Gabbie Shirley
Room 4	Bradley Hedges

Extra Awards for Helping Out presented by Emma & Ellen, Spirit of Southland student representatives:
Jordan Hedges, Ruby Fleming

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Thank you to those families who returned the survey form on Reporting to Parents.
To enable us to get as much feedback as possible, you have until tomorrow morning to send in your form if you have not yet done so. I have enclosed a copy if you no longer have the form sent out last week. Please take 5 minutes to complete the form – it is important to get as many replies as possible!

Room 4

Cross Country Recounts

On Wednesday we did cross country at Donovan Park. My mum & dad were watching me. I got 21st.
By Kate Brand

I got second in the race and I got a certificate and I nearly got the trophy and my mum and dad were watching me.
By Tessa Baird

I went to the cross country and my mum and dad were there. I got 10th.
By Maia Murdoch

I ran fast and got third and my mum and dad were there to cheer me on at the cross country.
By Maggie Fleming

I came second in my race and my mum and Jack were cheering me on in the race & after I got some chips.
By Cole Geddes/Ward

I came 28th. I like the running. I saw Deniz. It was at the cross country.
By Scott Henderson

I AM RUNNING IN THE CONES FOR THE RACE.
BY SEAN IRWIN

Yesterday I went to cross country. My mum was there and my sister was there.
By Deniz te Lindert

At cross country we are going to run 500 meters. I was last because I was resting. I lost.
By Christian Sotto

I am going to cross country. I am running the race.
By James Hill

At cross country I wanted to win because I wanted to get the trophy.
By Jack Hurley

I was running by myself. Mum was watching me. I like my mum.
By Jack Conroy

I was at cross country and I didn't win. My mum cheered me on. I ran really fast but didn't win.
By Tamzin Tomlinson

I am a winner. I won cross country. It was fun. Mum and dad came.
By James Hamilton

I am ready for the race. All the other coloured teams are there too.
By Godwin Abalos

I played with my toys in my toy area. I didn't go to cross country because I was very sick.
By Bradley Hedges

I am at the cafe. I ate sausage rolls. Mum, Nan and Gabbie were with me.
By Nikolas Shirley

CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMPS 2010

CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMPS IS AN ORGANISATION THAT WAS FORMED IN 1963, WHICH RUNS KIDS CAMPS WITH A CHRISTIAN FLAVOUR FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

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