

NEWSLETTER

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Thursday 22nd November, 2018

Ma tini ma mano ka rapa te whai.
Many hands make light work. Unity is strength.

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Kia ora e te whanau

It is hard to believe that we now have less than four weeks left of the 2018 school year! It has just flown by this year – it seems that we are no sooner settled into our learning programmes when it is time to start planning for the next year. We fill the glass to the very brim with learning activities, opportunities, events and ideas – but I am mindful that sometimes we need to slow down and enjoy the small moments, for our students, families and staff. Something to work on in 2019...

Thank you to everyone for your kind words and encouragement last week, for the teachers' strike day. Going on strike does not sit well with us – we would prefer to be at school, focussing on the teaching of our students. We know what a big inconvenience the strike days are for our working parents too. So much has already been said about the strikes and the teachers' collective agreement claims – in the news and on social media; I don't have a great deal to add. *For me this is about making the teaching profession an attractive occupation so that many of our best young people will aspire to train to become fantastic teachers. That is going to take better conditions: better remuneration; a manageable workload; extra supports for those learners who need it; respect and collaboration.* Let's hope we can reach agreement and a satisfactory outcome as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow, if you get a chance to pop in and see our Expo Day.

"Change is inevitable, growth is optional."

Hei konā mai
Kim Alexander
Principal, Tumuaki
kima@prebbleton.school.nz



Value of the Term

Coming Events:

19th to 23rd November

Friday 23 November

Monday 26 November

Tuesday 27 November

Wednesday 28 November

Friday 30 November

Monday 3 December

Tuesday 4 December

Wednesday 5 December

Thursday 6 December

Friday 7 December

Monday 10 December

Tuesday 11 December

Wednesday 12 December

Thursday 13 December

Friday 14 December

Monday 17 December

'Create Think Grow' Week

Expo Day!

Science Roadshow, Board of Trustees meeting 7.00pm

Years 1-4 Junior Athletics Day (Thursday 29th pp day)

New Entrants' Parent Info session 3.30pm

Reports Sent Home

Whanau Group Day

PTA Meeting 7.30pm

Canterbury Athletics, Road Patrol Training

Y7&8 Visit to UC, Y5&6 Sports Carnival

Assembly 9.05am, Y5&6 Trip to Wainui, Subway Lunch, Disco!

Y8 at LHS, Y7 Sailing, Y3&4 Trip Day 1

Y3&4 Trip Day 2, Y1&2 Big Day Out, Super Rugby trophy at school

Y7&8 Big Day Out

Prize-givings at Lincoln Events Centre: Y1-4 @ 5pm, Y5-8 @ 7pm

Y7&8 Movie reward trip, Christmas Singing 1.30pm in hall

Final Day, school closes 1.00pm

Prize-giving Times and Venue

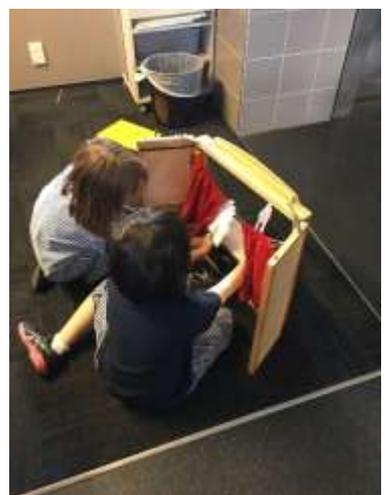
This year for the first time, we are planning to hold both our Junior and Senior prize-givings at Lincoln Events Centre on Thursday 13 December. The junior one has been a tight squeeze in our own hall in the last couple of years.

So, we will have the juniors (Years 1-4) on at 5.00pm, and the seniors (Years 5-8) on at 7.00pm. All students are expected to attend the one for their year level, and can also attend the other if that is easier for any families.

Create Think Grow Week

Our inaugural theme week is going very well. Having the children in vertical level groups for 3 hours each day has been interesting. Many of the children are thriving in this environment, where they have a big say in the direction of their learning for the week. Teachers are adapting as we go along; we're learning too! Our natural instinct is often to lead the learning in a specified direction, whereas this requires us to support the learner and help them to question and plan their own outcome. The environment lends itself to mostly working in groups so there is also a focus on them developing relationship, leadership and social skills. Much of the learning takes place in the process, rather than in the final product. Some of their ideas are rather ambitious!





CREATETHINKGROW

Timetable for Tomorrow's Expo Day

We would love for parents to come and see what we have been up to tomorrow; our very first Expo Day! Here is what the morning will look like, you are very welcome to pop into school any time between 9:00am-1:30pm.

8:30-9:00am - If you, your child and/or your pre-schooler would like to pre-order a sausage for lunch, please do so at the hall kitchen between 8:30-9:00am. Sausages are \$2 each (gf available). There will be ice blocks for sale from 12:30-1:30pm also, these will be \$1 each and do not need to be pre-ordered.

9:00-10:50am - *Lamb entries will be able to be viewed on the field near the reserve*

9:00am - Children will go to their home classes for roll-check

9:10am - Enviro-school tree planting event (near Rakau classrooms)

9:25am - Children will go to their Celebration groups, feel free to join them as they either host other groups or visit to look around the various groups

10:05am (approx. depending on whether there are groups who need to share) - Whole school to hall for performances / presentations. Parents welcome

10:30-10:50am - Playtime

10:50am - Children will go to their Celebration groups

11:00am - Feel free to join the children as they host other groups or visit to look around the various groups

11:40am (approx. depending on how many groups need to share) - Whole school to hall for performances / presentations. Parents welcome

12:30-1:30pm - LUNCHTIME- *Children and parents who have pre-ordered their sausages can collect. Whole school picnic on the field. Parents welcome.*

1:30pm - Parents and whanau leave. After roll-check in classes, the children will be choosing and joining in games, arts & crafts, and other activities being held around the school.

2:45pm - Children will be packing up and returning to their home classes for 3:00pm home-time

This plan is 'subject to change'. Please bear with us as we try something that may be a bit fluid and we will adapt as we go along 😊.

Policy Review

The policies for review by parents this term are: **Religious Instruction**, and **Improving Educational Outcomes for Māori Students**. If you would like to participate in the policy reviews, please follow these simple steps:

- Follow the link <http://prebbleton.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
- Username is: prebbleton, Password is: village
- Click on the 'Current Review' tab.
- Click on the relevant policy.
- Read the policy.
- Click the red Policy Review icon at the right-hand top corner of the page. A new screen will appear.
- Select your role (parent) from the drop-down list.
- Enter your name (optional).
- Submit your ratings and comments.



Principal Awards

Congratulations to these fabulous students who were presented with a Principal's Award at our recent whole school assembly on the 9th November – tino pai!

Isabella Owens - Being a hard-working, self-motivated student who exceeds expectations with the quality of her work.

Max Morris - Standing up and speaking out about issues that affect himself and others around him.

Alice O'Dea - Displays the school values and has a fantastic attitude towards her learning. She is a kind, caring and positive member of Prebbleton School.

Emily Fitzsimmons - Always tries her best, never gives up and can tackle brilliantly at bull rush!

Bella Ruri - Bella has made huge progress this year and has a great work ethic.

Saga Chan - Always displays the school values and has a great attitude towards his learning.

Hannah Hamilton – Showing resilience; keeping going and not giving up, resulting in showing she can achieve her goals.

Aaron Coll, Dylan Grey and Sam Richards – Showing inquiring minds during science learning.

Many thanks to Duane Aarts, a fellow parent at our school and our local Mortgage Adviser. If you're interested in purchasing a home, wanting to build, or looking to invest; speak with Duane and support our school!



PTA News

Fancy doing some cooking or sharing some recipes? The **Prebbleton School Recipe Book Fundraiser** team is in planning mode. If you or anyone you know can help with the organisation of this (early 2019) please email prebbleton.pta@gmail.com

Expo Day- Friday 23rd November- The PTA will be offering a sausage sizzle on this day. If you are coming along to Expo Day, and would like to order a sausage for yourself or for pre-schoolers, please send the money with your child and ask them to order for you between 8:30-9am at the hall kitchen; they will get extra stamps on their hands. We are running this more like a regular sausage sizzle with pre ordering in the morning before school; this will ensure we cook the right number of sausages. There will also be ice blocks for sale on the day for \$1, available at lunchtime.

Check out the fundraising thermometer. We can't wait to get started on the turf! More information to come!

Dates to remember:

Subway lunch- 7 December. Order forms will be sent home closer to the time

School disco - Friday 7 December. Juniors (NE-Yr4) 6-7:30pm, Seniors (Yr 5-8) 7:30-9pm. If you are interested in helping out for either of these discos please email prebbleton.pta@gmail.com. More information to come.



News from the Intermediate Hub

Summer Tournament

The Hub enjoyed their recent tournament at Hagley Park, with all students participating in either cricket, slowpitch, Kiwi league tag or orienteering. Congratulations to the girls' cricket team who placed second, and to the orienteering teams who came away with four firsts, a second and a third.



2019 Leadership Positions

Year 7 students have begun the process of applying for next year's leadership positions, including; Head Student, Sports Captain, Tech Leader, Enviro Leader, Positivity Leader, Cultural/Whanau Leader and House Captain. Students shortlisted for a Head Student position will present a speech to Year 5-7 students on Thursday 29th November, with House meetings scheduled for Friday 30th so that all members can help decide who they want to lead them in 2019. Good luck to everyone who is putting themselves forward for selection!

Archery

Like bowls and petanque, archery provides an opportunity to practise striking a stationary target in a less traditional 'PE' sport. Hub students had lots of fun last Tuesday with Maria from Archery New Zealand. She taught us the ins and outs of archery, such as stance, how to hold the bow, and safe practices when using the equipment.

Sports Science

Over the last term, the Hub has been working with Nick Draper from the University of Canterbury on a 'Curious Minds' sports science investigation. 'The Big Experiment' allows Year 7&8 students to collect, analyse and display data on 'how children change as they grow'. Hub students have been testing children in other classes to assess things like, reaction time, grip strength, flexibility, endurance and speed. It has been exciting for the Hub to learn about statistical investigations in a real-world context, using technology to create graphs to display and analyse data, and present our findings. We are putting the final touches on our display posters and look forward to spending a morning visiting the School of Health Sciences at Canterbury University on Thursday 6th December.



Recycled Garden Art

We started our term 4 art unit last week. Students have opted in to one of four groups; flower power, fence pail self-portraits, bring back the birds or magic milk. Keep a lookout to see the creative ways Hub students have worked to enhance our school environment using recycled materials



A big thank you to Richard Innes and Bayleys Real Estate for sponsoring our Vistab this year.

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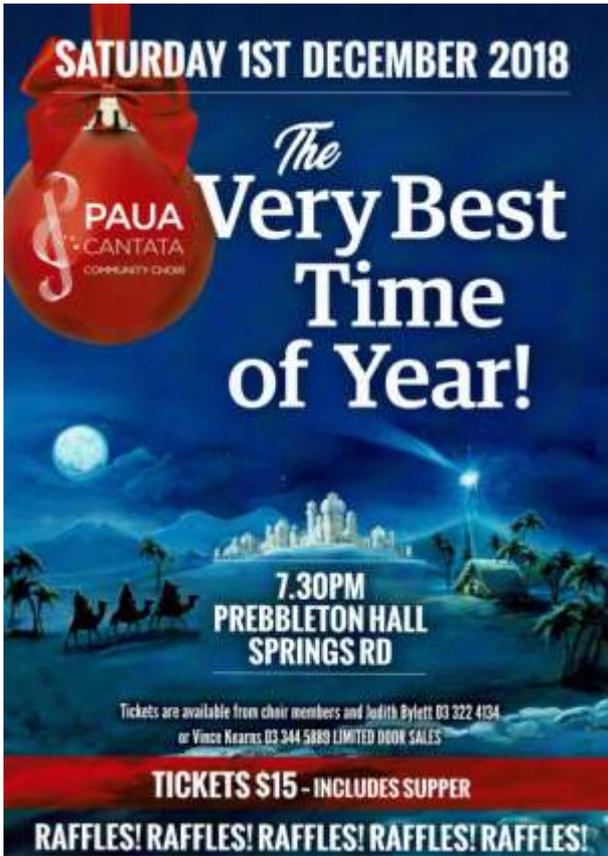
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Community Notices



SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2018

The Very Best Time of Year!

7.30PM
PREBBLETON HALL
SPRINGS RD

Tickets are available from choir members and Judith Bylett 03 322 4134
or Vince Kearns 03 344 5889 LIMITED DOOR SALES

TICKETS \$15 - INCLUDES SUPPER

RAFFLES! RAFFLES! RAFFLES! RAFFLES! RAFFLES!



Twilight Market

Thursday 20th December

🌿 **4pm to 7pm** 🌿

On the Green beside the Lincoln Library

Special appearance by the Selwyn Community Choir
Bring the children down and decorate a pine cone
Go in the draw to win a Christmas Hamper, drawn at 6.30pm and winner must be present to claim the prize.

Amazing craft and produce stalls including art, jewellery, handmade toys, plants, breads, cheeses, pies, cookies, flowers, children's clothes.



A Real Community Place to Shop



Good News to All in Selwyn!

Christmas Day Community Lunch

Lincoln Baptist Church
530 Birchs Rd

12:00 – 3:00 pm
Tuesday 25th December

All welcome. No cost.
Lunch provided.

RSVP essential by Tues. 18th Dec
Phone Desre ~ 3253396

This will be an alcohol-free event. Thank you.



ART ATTACK

SUMMER SERIES

LINCOLN MARKET

24TH NOV

8TH DEC

15TH DEC

22ND DEC

29TH DEC

12 JAN

Saturday Mornings
Childrens Activities with Kalulu Crafts
Gold Coin Donation

LADBROOKS SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS HAMS '18

We're selling premium, New Zealand ham in half or whole sizes, as our main school fundraiser this year. Your family and friends will love them and they are a great corporate gift for your team or workplace.

When you buy a ham from us you really help our school. Last year your ham purchase helped us to buy books, sporting equipment, classroom furniture and upgrade our pool! THANK YOU for helping to make our school great!



Ladbrooks School HAM ORDER FORM

NAME	PHONE NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS	HALF HAM NO.	WHOLE HAM NO.

Cost is \$14 per/kg (incl. GST)

Half ham 4-6kgs, whole ham 6-9kgs. Hams are cooked on the bone. Orders are charged per kg - weigh and pay happens at pickup. Eftpos available (no credit cards).

Collection date Wednesday the 12th of December, 2-7pm at Ladbrooks School. We will deliver for large orders.

TO ORDER: email your name, phone number and order to hamorders@ladbrooks.school.nz or fill out this form and drop it in/post to Ladbrooks School reception (Ladbrooks School, Barnes Road, RD4, CHRISTCHURCH 7674. PH.329 6885)



Thank you!



CHILDREN'S BALLROOM AND LATIN DANCE CLASS

STARTING THURSDAY 31st JANUARY 2019

4pm – 4.45pm

PREBBLETON SCHOOL HALL

Cost \$5 per child per class

SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN FROM 5 YRS AND OLDER

For more information or to register your child please

PHONE or TEXT Janita – 021 0233 7918 EMAIL – janitaclark@xtra.co.nz

Creative Junk would like to invite children/families to come join us in being part of one or more of the Santa Parade's!

- Kaiapoi, Saturday 1st December at 1.30pm
- Christchurch (Town) Sunday 2nd December at 2pm
- New Brighton, Saturday 8th December at 10am
- You can make a Christmas themed costume, OR borrow one of ours, decorate a scooter and join in with us to spread the Christmas cheer.

If you would like to be part of the fun Contact Christine by phone 03 3794040 or 0211597299, email (info@creativejunk.org.nz) or pop in to see us in our open hours, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 11am-5pm or Saturday 11am-1pm.



Zelda

Tanya

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Top 10 things to do when selling your home:

#1: Call us
(Don't worry, we'll handle the other 9!)

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