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Principal's Report

Stephen Beck

The current state of the educational system in New Zealand is going through a period of great change, probably not seen since the introduction of compulsory education. The last great transformation was implemented by the then Labour government and Prime Minister David Lange with the inception of Tomorrow's Schools in August 1988. Tomorrow's Schools effectively handed over the administration of the schools to the communities with the dissolution of the Education Department, Education Boards and School Committees with the formation of school Boards of Trustees. This created a governance model within schools that was designed to empower communities to have more autonomy in setting their own targets and deciding how their schools are run. This model has worked with different degrees of effectiveness, but on the whole has served schools well into the 21st century. What Tomorrow's Schools had at its heart was administration for excellence and to some extent neglected what should truly be at the centre of the education system, the student. In reality for many schools and students the classroom environment and teaching practice changed very little with the introduction of Tomorrow's Schools, although how a school was run was completely overhauled.



Current educational thinking is seeing a very intentional shift towards greater collaborative student centred learning. This is effectively placing the learner in the driving seat, and programmes and courses becoming more divergent and self-directed. No longer are classrooms expected to be passive, quiet learning environments where the teacher is perceived to being the knower of all and the students are empty vessels to be filled with knowledge. Curriculum boundaries are being eroded and teachers are now working more collaboratively around planning, across class groups and schools. We have recently seen the introduction of Community of Learners, developing connections across geographical and special interest boundaries through the development of shared educational challenges and the sharing of expertise and leadership across the community. These strong shifts in thinking are beginning to challenge the current Education Act and what was introduced with Tomorrow's Schools. To put it simply, current educational thinking and approaches have evolved into a round peg that doesn't quite fit in the old square hole. The Government is currently consulting on Education Act reforms with the intent to make the necessary changes to ensure everyone knows the goals for education, allowing schools and boards to more clearly know their responsibilities and focus on what is important, and enable greater collaborative flexibility and innovation within and across schools.

This is a challenging but exciting time in education and it is important that any innovation within our own school is well measured and grounded in good practice. The introduction of the Learning Communities in 2015 has brought a shift towards a more collaborative approach to teaching and learning across the school. This focus will continue to grow and develop over the following year with teachers and students becoming better adapted to focusing collectively across subjects and curriculum levels. One of the greatest challenge that this has presented is the blurring and sometimes redefining the historic lines of division with the school. We are continuing to work hard to overcome these challenges to ensure the schools runs effectively and with students, not convention, at the heart of what we do. Change must be managed and at times gradual. We will look to build on, innovate and solidify the progress that has been made this year and work towards ensuring that our students can gain the base they need to be the adaptive and innovative lifelong learners needed in a rapidly changing world. Ensuring learning is grounded in contexts that are relevant to life is a crucial step towards ensuring all students are actively engaged in their learning.

I wish all our school and community a very merry and safe holiday period and look forward to seeing those returning in the New Year. For those that depart Hurunui College at the end of the year, I wish them all the best and hope you take fond memories of your time at Hurunui College.

Stephen Beck, Principal

Deputy Principal's Report

Jane Marsh

The world as we know it in the 21st century is vastly different and more complex than the previous century. Technology has had a huge part to play in this, as many jobs that we might have been trained to do during our education have now been automated, and learning is accessible, and can happen anywhere, anytime. Jobs our students will be going to when they leave school have not yet been created. Future economic, environmental and societal challenges that our students will face are unknown. The development of 'soft skills' is hugely important, more so than learning content. Skills such as problem solving, critical thinking, resilience, self-managing, and the ability to collaborate will be essential to address whatever future challenges the 21st century will bring. As a result the current model of education is in a time of change.



At Hurunui College the Primary School is already beginning to 'dip their toes' into the much talked about innovative (modern) learning. We have begun by changing the structure of our syndicate into two Learning Communities, Discovery and Exploring, with the purpose being that teachers will have the opportunity to work collaboratively, learning from one another, working to their strengths and sharing their expertise, as well as the work load. For students it will mean that the transition from one class to another will happen with ease and confidence. Eventually more choice will be given to what the children want to learn and when, and there will be opportunity to learn within and across year levels, together with others, or on their own. Students will have the opportunity to establish relationships with more than one teacher. To suit the diverse learning styles and needs of our students, our environments have become more flexible, where students can choose to lean at a 'leaner', kneel at a low table, sit in a bean bag or sit at a desk. We are at the very beginning of our journey, and many more robust conversations need to be had, between teachers and with our school community, as we work together to decide what is going to best suit our students in this rural community, and what the challenges and benefits will be.

This year we welcomed two new teachers to our Primary Team. Miss Jenny Jackson to our Year 1/2 Kakariki Class in the Discovery Learning Community, and Mrs Janet Tilson to our Year 4/5 Kowhai Class in the Exploring Learning Community.

Both Miss Jackson and Mrs Tilson are excellent classroom teachers, hard-working, enthusiastic and keen to make a difference for our Hurunui College students. It is refreshing to have new faces, and I am really enjoying having both of these teachers as members of our primary team.

In 2015, despite the many changes and challenges we are currently facing in education, there have been excellent learning opportunities for all to succeed. Highlights have included the Learning Community trips to Wigram Airforce Museum, Science Fair, Market Day, Kaikoura Camps for the Exploring Learning Community and the beach trip to Motunau for the Discovery Learning Community.

Sadly, we farewell Mrs Sam Wilson, our Year 5/6 Kikorangi Class teacher in the Exploring Learning Community, who initially came in to teach for one term, and kindly stayed on for the entire year! Students in Mrs Wilson's class have the upmost respect for her, and all her students have experienced real success and achievement this year. It has been a pleasure to have Mrs Wilson as part of our Primary Team.

Finally, to you all, I would like to thank you for your wonderful support throughout the year. I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a safe, restful and relaxing family holiday.

Jane Marsh, Deputy Principal Primary

Deputy Principal's Report

Iain Thompson

What a year it has been! For me professionally and personally 2015 has seen some major changes.

In January I returned to Hurunui College after 3 years away. I had been teaching at Rangiora High School which has a roll approaching 2000 pupils to Hurunui College with a roll of 250! So what are the main differences working at the two schools? Returning to Hurunui College reaffirmed the uniqueness of an area

school. I love the fact that our seniors play on the same field as our new entrance class, I love the fact that at house events there are Year 1s' high fiving Year 13s', I love the fact that I can walk out my door and be met with a cheerful "hello Mr T". I love the fact that I can walk around on duty and see my two eldest children running around and enjoying themselves. It is a great school.

The most noticeable feature of Hurunui College is how much the school is part of the community and how much the community is part of the school. I vividly remember my first day at Hurunui College four years ago as just the week before my family and I had stepped off the plane at Christchurch after packing up and moving our lives from sunny Inverness. I walked in to the school and started to see parents everywhere, talking to teachers, and dropping off children at the classrooms, entering the library. I thought, 'What's going on?' It slowly dawned on me that some schools in the United Kingdom had become so removed from the community they had become isolated and almost scared of engaging those around them. That for me is the biggest advantage of Hurunui College, that community is forefront in our thinking and it is vital for the success of the college.



A lot of the talk around New Zealand staffrooms in 2015 has been how education is changing and in some aspects does need to change. But it is vital that we identify the real issues driving change and not react to sound bites and headlines from interested parties. Education in New Zealand is doing a good job for many. The traditional path to a career through University I believe is still as valid today as it was twenty years ago when I set off for University. A well-chosen degree is still the best way into a lot of professions. What is imperative though is that pupils are mindful of where their career is likely to take them and choose a career path based on gaining the skills and experiences that they need. This does not need to be through University. I heard a statistic this year that 50% of University graduates are unemployed and without the relevant skills to get a job. To this I would ask, What degree did they do? and was University the right way to enter their chosen profession? Whichever path a pupil takes needs to be well thought out and they need to remember there is no substitution for hard work, there are no easy paths in life.

2015 also held other surprises and challenges for me, big and little. I was new into the role of Deputy Principal and had a steep learning curve with lots of surprises. Thinking on your feet and being ready for any eventuality are essential. It would be great if all teachers could spend a year in senior leadership and experience the expectation of the role, it has certainly changed me. I could not have got through the year without the great support from the staff at the school and the community.

2015 saw my eldest son join his big sister at Hurunui College. I have felt truly privileged to experience first-hand my children starting school, growing in confidence and loving arriving each morning, something most fathers don't get the chance to experience. The year also saw the arrival of our fourth child at the end of July. He has quickly become part of the family and is going to have to be very tough to cope with the rough and tumble his older siblings!

Overall it has been a very rewarding year and I look forward to next year being able to concentrate on the challenges of the future.

Iain Thompson, Deputy Principal Secondary

Executive Officer's Report

Judith Topp

Once again I start with the same phrase! Yes it has been another busy and challenging year. I consider this has been a very rewarding year for our students, with many out of class opportunities being made available. These opportunities of course help to make a well rounded student. In class is only one part of development. The staff at Hurunui College certainly provide many opportunities for those extra curriculum activities.

I would like to thank all the parents/caregivers who pay the annual donation. As we all know, it is voluntary but also tax deductible and we as a school do appreciate this payment, as it does help us provide 'extras' for our students. I would also like to thank our PTA. A group of supportive women who work tirelessly to support our students. They subsidise camps, subsidise visiting shows, provide funds for additional educational equipment and of course provide tea and coffee at our many sporting events. Thank you PTA we do appreciate you. May 2016 be as interesting, innovative and exciting as 2015.

Judith Topp, Executive Officer

Board of Trustees' Report

Paul van der Meer, Chairperson

Welcome to my first end of year report. It has been an exciting and progressive year for the Board and I would like to make mention of a few of the many dealings and decisions that we as a board have had to make. "We" being the operative word as the contribution of each board member is absolutely vital in our decision-making process and in ensuring successful outcomes.

The Board is a team of hard working and dedicated individuals who work in collaboration with the Principal and external agencies connected with the college.

The daily running of the school is a challenging task which requires the dedication of a committed team. Our Principal, Stephen Beck, together with Ian Thompson and Jane Marsh, our Deputy Principals, have done an exceptional job and the school is in great shape. We are grateful for their high degree of professionalism.

The Board has a key task to exercise governance or oversight and give direction to the Principal and Leadership Team. As a Board, we have looked at and refined our key tasks to better meet the needs of the school and ultimately improve the educational outcomes for all students.

Mention must be made of the college's highly professional teachers, teacher aides and support staff. Their hard work and dedication has contributed to the success of so many of our students, both inside and outside the classroom. Our strategic goals are at the core of the college's existence and ensure that every student is given the opportunity to achieve to his or her full potential.

Putting in the right resources and targeting key areas are a major part of the management team's focus and the results speak for themselves.

In August, I accompanied Stephen Beck, Jane Marsh and Melanie Marryatt to the Area Schools Conference in Wellington. This exposed us to a range of schools who are in a similar situation to Hurunui College and experiencing similar challenges. Not least, there were some wonderful insights based on the experience of others, as how best to resolve challenges and grow as a school. There is a wealth of experience available through NZSTA who are only too willing to offer help and insight.

During the year, we undertook a full review of our schools policy framework with clear changes made to reflect the current operating procedures and to give clear guidelines to schools leadership. The purpose being to clearly define the line between Governance and Management.

In April 2016, changes to the Health and Safety Act will come into effect and as a result, the Board has looked at how these changes may affect us as a school community.

Finally, I would like to thank Bronwyn, Michelle, Jackie, Bernie, Dean and Melissa, my fellow board members, for all their hard work and efforts. Also our Principal, Stephen Beck and Executive Officer Judith Topp. Special thanks must also go to Jess Vernal for her part as student representative in 2015 and a warm welcome to Ricki Allan our new student rep for 2016.

The Hurunui College Board of Trustees would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and look forward to another successful year in 2016.

Paul Van Der Meer, Board of Trustees Chairperson

Head Students' Report

Alex Earl and Jess Vernal

The opportunity to represent Hurunui College as the 2015 Head Students has been one that we have both appreciated whole-heartedly. The challenge of being the student-teacher pathway has been one that has enhanced our skill set and grown us as people. In the first term of our appointment we decided to focus on two key areas of the school to work on. Our first goal was to implement activities regularly throughout the year that would contribute to the schools already-glowing sense of community. For as long as we have both been at Hurunui, there has been an integral connection between the younger primary-school students, and those who are approaching the end of their school careers. By introducing events such as the CreAllan Cup — which had its debut at the start of Term Four — we have made a point of acknowledging sportsmanship and generosity in competition, and also introduced the idea of more cultural and academic House Competitions throughout the year. Our second focus was on the acknowledgement of academic and cultural achievement, and how in a rural school that prides itself on its sporting success, it often goes unnoticed when someone consistently upkeeps

excellent grades or when endorsements are awarded in the senior school. This goal is one that will take time to implement fully, but we hope that through gaining the support of staff and acknowledging academic and cultural success in school publications we have started a process that will lead to the further betterment of the school. Our involvement with the Junior School this year, running activities at lunchtimes such as face painting and games was also a highlight of our experience as Head Students, and we feel privileged to have had involvement with part of our school that can often be disconnected from those in the senior classes. To have known many of those who will one day also be taking up positions of leadership within the school is something that we both appreciate. We'd like to thank Miss Ross unconditionally for her support this year in regards to the organisation of the CreAllan Cup and assistance with the running of the Student Council. We could not be more grateful for this opportunity, as it has made us grow both as individuals and as leaders. Although it came with the workload, we are both certainly more prepared for what the future holds and are looking forward to using the skills we have developed as Head Students in all the years to come.

Jess Vernal and Alex Earl, Head Students 2015



Library Report

Paul Munnerley

It has been a year of change in the library.

People changed: Mr Munnerley moved from the classroom to the combined position of Hurunui College and Hurunui District Library librarian. Mrs Tilson became the Teacher with Library Responsibility. A whole lot of students became student librarians working at morning tea, lunch times and in their class library times.

The environment changed: the doors were opened wide (with some improved insulation inside!) digital screens appeared, shelves moved or disappeared, new signage started appearing, DVDs arrived, 10 laptops came and went every day, the Teen fiction area expanded...

Activity changed card games, board games, making bookmarks, movies on wet days, Year 13 students studying, students huddled watching (working on?) phones, tablets and laptops, individuals and groups researching, primary teachers released to do other tasks in their class library time, chocolate fish consumed...

Services changed: the library opens all school day (mostly!), coffee, tea and Milo is brewed regularly, students use their Library accounts to renew books and place holds, students and staff use eBooks, eMagazines and eNewspapers (provided by Hurunui District Libraries free to all library members)

Some things did not change: we continue to be a Community Library (our 33rd year!), sharing our resources with the local community and the wider Hurunui District. Our loyal band of community volunteers continue to support our library doing many jobs to keep things running smoothly. The Library Committee maintains liaison between the school and the community and buys resources for the library.

Some things will change: modern libraries are no longer hushed store houses for books. They are places of activity creation recreation relaxation communication meeting sharing access noise (busy productive, enjoyable noise!) information technology coming and going throughout the day using library services without actually being there supporting the learning of the school and the community...

To do this the physical spaces in our library will change (in time!) and the way the library operates will change to meet the varied needs of all the learners. The library is a gateway to the ever growing world of information and will provide the services, facilities and teaching needed for learners to be able to effectively find, evaluate, process and share. The library will not just be a place, it will be a programme supporting the school and community. Oh, and you may also be able to get some books for a good, old-fashioned, relaxing read.

Paul Munnerley, Librarian



2015 STAFF

Senior Management Team

Principal	Mr Stephen Beck, BEd PE, Grad Dip Tchg & Lning
Deputy Principal	Mrs Jane Marsh, Dip Tchg, SENCO
Deputy Principal	Mr Iain Thompson, MSc, BSc Hons, PGCE, Bus Controller.

Teachers

Primary	Miss Jenny Banks, Dip Tchg Ms Jasmine Findlay, Grad Dip Prim Teacher, Ed (Vic), Catechetical Stud, BA English Miss Jenny Jackson, B Com (Ec), Grad Dip Ed Mrs Melanie Marryatt, BPhEd, Dip Tchg, SMT Miss Sonia Talivai, BEd (Primary), Dip Maori (Tohu Matauranga Maori), TIC Maori Mrs Janet Tilson, B Tchg and Lning Mrs Sam Wilson, Dip Tchg, B Ed Mrs Keri Zino, Dip Tchg
Music	Mr Philip Biddlecombe, PGCE Music, BA Hons Mus, TIC Music, TIC NetNZ
Social Sciences	Mrs Anne Costello, Dip Tchg; Dean, TIC Social Sciences Miss Haley Ross, B Tchg and Lning
Science	Mr Tim Kelly, MSc, PGCE, TIC Science, NZQA Principals Nominee
Technology	Mr Michael Kemen, Bed Tech, Grad Dip Tchg, Adv TC, Auto, NZCE Mech Drawing Ms Vivienne McIntosh, B Home Sci, Grad Dip Tchg, TIC Technology, Careers
Mathematics	Mr Nathan Scott, BSc, Grad Dip Tchg, TIC Mathematics
Physical Education	Mrs Meagan Stanley-Brown, BPhEd, Grad Dip Tchg, TIC Physical Education, Health and Sport, Guidance Teacher, SMT
English	Mr John Valentine, BA, Dip Tchg, TIC English, Specialist Teacher
Visual Art	Mr Martin Zeinert, B Des(photo), Grad Dip Tchg, TIC Art
Learning Support	Mrs Ruth Berry, Tchg Coll certificate, distinction Miss Nicci Heywood, accredited STEPS tutor

Support Staff

Executive Officer	Mrs Judith Topp
School Secretary	Ms Melissa Brown
School Librarian	Mr Paul Munnerley, Adv Dip Tchg, Dip. Web Design, TIC Computing
Caretaker	Mr Russell McCallum
Cleaning Staff	Mrs Jill Oakly, Ms Rachelle Ross, Mrs Beryl Wildman, Ms Joanne Wildman, Mr Brian Giles, Mrs Carole Giles
Teacher Aides	Mrs Beryl Wildman, Mrs Paula Beck, Mrs Vicky Black, Mrs Belinda Olorenshaw, Mrs Anna van der Meer, Mrs Sonya Kelly, Mr Dan Marlow, Mrs Toni Jolliffe
Sports Assistant	Mrs Jenny Keeble
Lab Technician	Mrs Beryl Wildman
Publicity Officer	Mrs Jenny Keeble
Gateway Co-ord	Mrs Jenny Keeble
ICT Technician	Mrs Beth Bailey

Board of Trustees

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ENTER TO LEARN, LEAVE TO SERVE

Past...

Each year, we like to look back at what was happening five years ago and catch up with the students who left Hurunui College as Year 13 students.

2010

- Staff: Mr Mike Kemen joined the technology department, Ms Denise Dent took over in Kikorangi Class and Mrs Lynley Cooper moved over from Greta Valley School. Farewelled Ms Jenni McQuillan (who has recently been appointed to return to Hurunui College), Mrs June Forster (associated with school for 40 years) and Ms Wendy Alabaster.
- New Primary block, Room 5-7, and technology block completed and opened. The old Primary block had been in place since the school opened in 1927 and the old technology block opened in 1940. Funds donated at the 75th Jubilee in 2002 contributed towards fitting out the new technology block.
- Hurunui College awarded overall Fair Play Cup at CASAfest
- Hurunui Nina Valley Restoration Group awarded second prize in ECAN Youth Leadership for Sustainability Awards. Juvenile kiwi, raised in Riccarton Bush, were helicoptered in to be released around Nina Hut.
- We farewelled three Hurunui College survivors (Nathan Holland, Jacob Smith and Harry Blay)
- Brent Wood was awarded Dux and Hawarden Waikari Lions Scholarship.
- First of significant Canterbury earthquakes on 4th September.

HARRY BLAY

Since I left Hurunui College in 2010 I have achieved a Diploma in Outdoor Instruction and Management at Aoraki Polytechnic in Timaru which I completed in 2012. After the completion of my diploma I landed myself a job Outdoor Instructing school kids in NSW, Australia starting early January 2013. It led me to meet some people from all around the world, made some amazing friends and have had some amazing adventures throughout NSW. After 2 years of working for The Outdoor Education Group I returned to Christchurch to study Software Development at Vision College in Christchurch. Now my time is up with my 1 year diploma I am headed back to Sydney in January 2016 to start a new adventure and hunt for a job in Software Development.

NATHAN HOLLAND

Since leaving school in 2010 Nathan has gained experience through number of businesses, with positions at New World Rangiora and The Warehouse, each for several months. He held a position with Leo Dunne Engineering, Culverden for over a year. Additionally, with the assistance of the Waimak Driving School, Nathan has achieved his full drivers license, passing the test the first time. This year he has moved to Rangiora with his family

JACOB SMITH

Jacob works for Dormer Construction. Jacob's position is as a civil construction foreman and he enjoys all the challenges of his job. Jacob is still wrestling for the Rangiora Amateur Wrestling Club and attends all events. Jacob is currently focused on the 2018 Commonwealth Games. Jacob is in a relationship and living in Amberley. Jacob always enjoyed his years at Hurunui College and the special teachers that impacted on his life.

BRENT WOOD

Hard to believe 5 years has already elapsed! I have just completed an LLB and BCom majoring in accounting at Otago University. During my time there I worked for 4 years as a PASS facilitator (basically organising and assisting group study for first years) and the last 2 years I was also a law tutor. Next year I start in the tax team at Deloitte in Wellington where I hope to become a Chartered Accountant and be admitted to the bar as a barrister and solicitor.

AMY MENZIES

Since leaving Hurunui College, Amy chose to study early childhood education and gained her Diploma in Teaching. She is now studying towards a Bachelors Degree in Early Childhood Education and working at Acorns Pre School in Woodend, teaching 3-4 year olds. In addition to studying and teaching, she is now mum to Hunter, who was born in June this year.

DAN MERRY

After school I joined the air force, I was there for two years doing the aircraft mechanic trade. I decided it wasn't for me so I left to do engineering back in Christchurch. I worked in a few factories around town and worked in a Motorsport workshop at Ruapuna for a while. I now work at e-type engineering in Hornby and have been here for 3 years doing a general engineering apprenticeship. Once I'm finished I'm going to join the army; the lifestyle and work life in the military is great. I live with my partner of four years and my dog Axel in Burnham. We are looking forward to summer and the new year. I wish the best of luck to all leaving Hurunui College to join the ranks of the real world.

ANJA RYAN

Anyway after I left school I went to CPIT and studied hotel management in 2011 for a year and then tourism in 2012. I worked part time at the Copthorne Commodore hotel in Christchurch doing housekeeping and reception. In 2013. I started working full time at the hotel. I moved up to Wellington at the end of October 2013 where I worked for Bluebridge in the terminal. This year I travelled to Germany in March with my family to celebrate my grandfather's 80th birthday, and stayed on to take a job at a hotel on the Baltic Sea. I have just started a new hotel job in a small resort town Baden Baden. I am hoping for a white Christmas.

We did not hear from Melissa Mills and Satchel Frew, but wish them all the best in their endeavors.

...Present ...

2015 Year 13 Leavers

NISHA JOLLIFFE

Nisha is a Hurunui College Survivor, completing all of her 13 years of education at Hurunui College. Nisha's bubbly and contagious personality makes others naturally attracted to her. She has shown a natural ability to lead others in Sumner House, especially during house activities and competitions. Her skills and talents on the stage have been a true asset to the school and this has also transferred across to her ability in speech writing and delivery. She has developed as a powerful public speaker and performer and this will hopefully allow her to continue in the performing arts and her desired pathways towards becoming an actress. Nisha receives her Survivors Certificate and her Hurunui College Graduation Certificate.

Nisha has an award for academic achievement in Art and academic achievement and diligence in Music and diligence in Physical Education. She also received the Senior Speech Making cup, the Excellence in Performing Arts cup and was joint recipient of the Visual Arts award.

DANIELLE HOBAN

Danielle is a Hurunui College Survivor, completing all of her 13 years of education at Hurunui College. Danielle is the quintessential quiet diligent student. Her academic success has come through years of hard work while overcoming significant hurdles. She is an example to other students on not looking for the excuses but finding the solution. She has made significant contribution to school wide activities, especially recent years' school productions. We wish her all the best as she heads off into tertiary study next year with an eye towards nursing in the future. We know her caring and quiet demeanour will be a true asset in this very worthwhile occupation. Danielle receives her Survivors Certificate and her Hurunui Graduation Certificate and she is joint recipient of the Visual Arts Award.

ALEX EARL

Alex is a Hurunui College Survivor, completing all of her 13 years of education at Hurunui College. Alex's larger than life personality has been a consistent, positive influence in the school over the years. She manages to balance very strong academic performance with a self determination that has allowed her to excel in the rowing arena, becoming Hurunui College's first ever rowing team of one. She has contributed to the school in a myriad of ways from House Captain, Student Council representative and most recently as Head Student in 2015. We wish Alex all the best next year as she heads off to study at Otago University, we know she has the ability to do exceptionally well. Alex receives her Survivors Certificate and her Hurunui College Graduation Certificate. She also receives an award for academic achievement in English. Alex was the Senior Girl Athletic Champion, the Senior Girl Triathlon Champion, the Senior Girl Badminton Champion and she was 2015 Sportswoman of the Year. Alex also received the Wordsmith Award for Excellence in Writing

TAYLOR PAINTER

Taylor arrived at Hurunui College in 2009 and over the years has proven herself as a confident and outgoing student. Her love of horses and singing will be the defining aspects of her time with us. She is a highly talented vocalist, lifting the room on many school productions and performances and being awarded the Hawarden Trust scholarship in 2014 gave deserving recognition to her abilities in the show arena. Taylor leaves us to possibly pursue a career in Vet Nursing, and we wish her all the best in the years to come. Taylor will receive her Hurunui College Graduation Certificate.

MARCUS WHITE

Marcus arrived at Hurunui College in 2011 as a Year 9 student. He has always been larger than life with a stature that will anchor many a front row in the years to come. His performances on the rugby field have been second to none with him playing in and captaining many a Canterbury Country representative side over the years. This culminating with his selection into the Top of the South Island, South Island (captaining both) and New Zealand Area Schools Barbarian rugby teams in 2015. Marcus has become a wonderful role model to boys within the school, being a visible and active presence in and around the playground. We wish Marcus all the best next year and he moves into the farming sector and we still hope to see him out and about on the rugby paddocks next year. Marcus receives his Hurunui College Graduation Certificate and an award for diligence in Technology, hard materials. Marcus also received the Blackwell's Sports Cup.

THEA TABAYOYONG

Thea arrived at Hurunui College in 2011 and quickly accelerated herself from Year 7 into Year 9. Thea's character has always far exceeded her stature with what she has lacked in size she has certainly made up for in personality and enthusiasm. This has transferred to her being a wonderful House Leader in Sheppard House and contributing positively with school productions over the years. Thea has also been able to balance this with excellent academic achievement and placing herself in an excellent position to go on to excel in her choice of university studies to become a Chemical Engineer. Thea has long wanted to follow this pathway and we wish her all the best in her future endeavours and we are very confident that she will do exceedingly well. Thea receives her Hurunui Graduation Certificate.

JESS VERNAL

Jess arrived with us at Hurunui College in 2012 as a Year 10 student. She has quickly gone to become highly influential and valued member of the student body. Her work as a Mason House Leader, Chairperson of the Student Council, and Head Student have been invaluable to the school. Jess also very capably served a term as the Student Representative on the Board of Trustees This has also extended to her being HYP Youth Leader, where she has worked tirelessly within the community to support activities for our youth. Her happy, confident and positive manner over the years has been a real asset to the school and has attributed to her starring roles in school productions and the confidence she has brought to public speaking and assemblies. Jess has had to work hard to balance this with excellent academic achievement that has set her up exceptionally well to go on to study at Canterbury University next year and pursue a career in criminal justice. Jess receives her Hurunui College Graduation Certificate. Jess also receives the Diligence Award for Year 13 For diligence and academic achievement in Mathematics and Physics and diligence in History and Geography.

DAMIEN WATSON

Damien is a Hurunui College Survivor, completing all of his 13 years of education at Hurunui College. Damien has been a wonderful contributor to Sumner House over the years, especially with his natural sporting talent, wonderful participation and enthusiasm. His sporting talents have also transferred onto the rugby field and his recent selection into the Top of the South and South Island Area Schools Rugby teams. We wish him all the best next year as he heads into the building industry and know he will be very successful. Damien receives his Survivors Certificate, his Hurunui College Graduation Certificate, and was the Senior Boy Athletic Champion.

LEVANA WILLIAMSON

Levana arrived with us at Hurunui College in 2012 as a Year 10 student. She has proven herself a very capable, cheerful, honest and imaginative student with many natural talents, especially in the creative areas. She has a natural aptitude for Art and photography and in previous years has proven herself a very talented seamstress. Levana has really come into her own in her final year at school, showing a true growth in confidence and character and this has been evident in her ability as a public speaker. We wish Levana all the best in the coming years, being confident that she will settle on a path that will allow her to use her talents and skills to her advantage. Levana receives her Hurunui College Graduation Certificate and an award for diligence in Art and Economics.

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2015 Survivors



Alex Earl

Danielle Hoban

Nisha Jolliffe

Damien Watson

...Future

2015 New Entrants

What a busy year it has been in Whero Class, with 17 new entrants starting at Hurunui College this year.

Liam Clausen

I started at Hurunui College in March 2015

My family is my mum, Laurel, my dad, Phil and my brothers Rowan and Cullum

My Pets are Jess my dog and two sheep - one is called Scout and one is called Atomic

My favourite foods are fruit - kiwifruit and chocolate

I don't like couscous

At school I like art, like the sticky tape trees we made

When I grow up I want to be a baker



Ben Crosby

I started at Hurunui College in February 2015

My family is Grandma, James and me

My Pets are brown dog and naughty black dog

My favourite food is long sausage

I don't like apples

At school I like playing on the whiteboard and alphabet letters

When I grow up I want to be a policeman because they go fast in the cars



Kohatu Cottrell

I started at Hurunui College in February 2015

My family is Dad, Mum, Charlie, Dean and me

My Pet is Bud our dog

My favourite foods are apple and meat

I don't like pears

At school I like doing puzzles with Will

When I grow up I want to do shearing with Dad



Amelia Dewes

I started at Hurunui College in February 2015

My family is Mum, Dad and me

My Pets are Fern my dog and Jaz my cat

My favourite foods are chocolate and fruit

I don't like peas, silver beet, broccoli

At school I like playing with Bailee, riding on my scooter, running outside and puzzles

When I grow up I want to bake stuff

Abby Iremonger

started at Hurunui College in November 2015

My family is Mum - Katie, Dad - Matt and Alice

My Pets are Flicker - the Dalmatian, Spotty and Scruffy - cats that are part of the fluffy family, Willie the dog (fluffy family), Brookie - chocolate dog, Gifty - farm dog, Fly - Sheppard dog, Benny - who's dead, Frenchie the chicken, Mother Hen and sister Lucy, and Tig - who is Willie's friend

My favourite foods are apple and cheese

I don't like salami

At school I like art work and discovery time

When I grow up I want to work at the supermarket and I would like Mondays off. I would like to work at the office and be a kindergarten teacher



Emma Kinzett

I started at Hurunui College in August 2015

My family is my mum and dad and me

My Pets are my rabbits Daisy and Willow. My pet sheep, Daisy and Tennyson and my pet lamb Dott. I have three hens and one puppy.

My favourite food is pancake

I don't like tomatoes

At school I like artwork like colouring in with pastels and gluing

When I grow up I want to be a policeman or a doctor or a vet!



Shea Kelly

I started at Hurunui College in February 2015

My family is Mum, Dad, Eva, baby Darcy and me.

My Pets are Mini and Juno, our dogs

My favourite foods are ice cream, chocolate, popcorn

I don't like cabbage

At school I like scootering and doing worksheets

When I grow up I want to do inventing

Maggie Radford

I started at Hurunui College in June 2015

My family is Pene my mum, Sam my dad, Lucy and Poppy my sisters

My Pets are Knickers and Bob my cats, and Brian my little lamb and lots of other lambs, and three calves. One called Sparkle, one called Bruce and one doesn't have a name.

My favourite food is pie

I don't like spaghetti

At school I like fitness and discovery time.

When I grow up I want to be a vet



Skyla Rata-Smith

I started at Hurunui College in October 2015

My family is Nanny, Koru, my big brother Hiraweri, Kanua and Mum

My Pets are 3 kittens. There were 4 but one died. Mummy cat and Dad's dog, Biggie

My favourite food is chocolate

I don't like vegetables

At school I like playing with my friends at lunchtime and playtime

When I grow up I want to help my mummy clean up



Khaliyah Robins

I started at Hurunui College in June 2015

My family is Kastania - my mum, Colin - my dad, Kaiana and Kavana

My Pets are 2 baby cats and mummy cat, Meshia

My favourite foods are carrot sticks, beans, jelly beans and cookies

I don't like peas and chocolate

At school I like playing on the playground with my friends

When I grow up I want to make dinner



Harry Sidey

I started at Hurunui College in September 2015

My family is Daddy, Mummy and Pieta

My Pets are lots of dogs and a little dog called Archie

My favourite food is chicken nuggets

I don't like cucumber

At school I like playing outside with Hamish and James

When I grow up I want to help Dad on the farm



James Svensson

I started at Hurunui College in November 2015

My family is Mum, Dad and my sister Eveline

My Pets are Cadbury my cat and Bella my dog

My favourite food is strawberry ice-cream

I don't like watermelon

At school I like playing with Charlie in the playground

When I grow up I want to be a racing car driver



Alexa Velmonte

I started at Hurunui College in August 2015

My family is Sandy - my mum, Joel - my dad, Andre - my baby brother

My Pets are Keedy my cat, 'P' my dog

My favourite food is carrots and peas

I don't like crabs that my mum cooks

At school I like doing art and reading

When I grow up I want to be a farmer



Will Zino

I started at Hurunui College in April 2015

My family is Jack, Ollie, Sam is my dad and Keri is my mum

My Pets are a puppy called Zip, a lamb called Rosie and a baby deer called Skutter

My favourite food is ice cream with sprinkles

I don't like tomatoes and salad

At school I like playing with my friends and scootering

When I grow up I want to work at Disney World

Joshua Spencer

I started at Hurunui College in July 2015

My family is Grace, Hayley, Caleb, Katie, Ben and my mum, Kerry, and my dad, Malcolm

My Pets are Franke and Jaz my cats, and Luke my dog

My favourite foods are noodles and chips and sausages

I don't like carrots

At school I like playing in the sandpit

When I grow up I want to be a farmer



Hamish Thompson

I started at Hurunui College in June 2015

My family is Sophie, Charlotte, my baby brother Angus, my mum and my dad

My Pet is a cat called Coffee

My favourite foods are ginger-nut biscuits and apples

I don't like raisins

At school I like playing with the Mobilo

When I grow up I want to be a train driver



Arika Voice

I started at Hurunui College in November 2015

My family is Ashley my mum and Alex my dad

My Pets are 3 chickens and 2 dogs

My favourite food is bananas, apples, mashed potato, carrot and chicken

I don't like weetbix 'cos I choke

At school I like **When I grow up** I want to shear some sheep



PRIZE LIST

WHEREO CLASS

Charlie Carthy

Sinead Chisnall

Liam Clausen

Kohatu Cottrell

Benjamyn Crosby

Amelia Dewes

Te-Whereo Donohue- Braas

For super progress in Writing and learning of basic facts in Mathematics

For being a caring and responsible leader, progress in Mathematics, and achievement in Physical Education

For being a diligent, independent worker, and progress in all areas, particularly Art

For always trying his best and showing ability in athletics and ball skills

For trying hard to use his inside voice in the classroom

For achievement in Reading and Mathematics

For progress in Writing and being a caring class member

Connor Earl	For being a diligent worker in Reading, and achievement in Mathematics
Abby Iremonger	For settling into Whero Class and for achievement in Art
Shea Kelly	For being an independent worker who strives for excellence, and great progress in all learning areas
Emma Kinzett	For excellence and achievement in all learning areas
Maggie Radford	For always trying her best in all areas, and for being a kind and caring friend
Skyla Rata- Smith	For settling into Whero class and following school routines
Khaliah Robins	For progress in Reading and Art
Harry Sidey	For settling into school life and for trying his best in all areas
Joshua Spencer	For settling into class routines and achievement in all areas
James Svensson	For coming to school well prepared, and being keen to learn
Hamish Thompson	For being a diligent, independent worker who has made great progress in all areas
Alexa Velmonte	For settling into school life and great progress in Reading
Ariki Voice	For settling into school life
Dustin Wright	For being a hardworking, cheerful and responsible leader, and for achievement in Physical Education.
Will Zino	For achievement in Physical Education and progress in Mathematics

KAKARIKI CLASS

Riley Abbott	For persevering when things get challenging and believing in his ability
Bailee Cattermole	For showing empathy to others and always helping those in need selflessly.
Matilda Chilton	For being a positive independent worker who aims for excellence
Manny Crichton	For showing ability to think critically and express ideas to the class
Grace Dagcutan	For being a happy student who has shown great improvement in Reading and Writing.
Samuel Dobbs	For being a happy student who shows ability to be an independent worker
Blake Earl	For being a driven independent worker who aims high
Josie Earl	For being supportive of others and a wonderful happy hard working attitude to learning
Harry Giller	For being co-operative and hard working
Libby Ginders	For a determined and positive attitude to be the best she can be
Alice Iremonger	For persevering when things are challenging and working for excellence.
Grace McKnight	For being a positive student who has made great improvement in Reading, Writing and Mathematics
Greg Munsey	For being a loyal friend to his classmates and an independent worker.
Ashlee Murray	For settling into her new school confidently
Poppy Radford	For always striving to be the best she can be
Taimana Reti	For being a positive student who perseveres when things are challenging
Pieta Sidey	For taking control of her own learning and working for excellence
Ben Spencer	For being a supportive classmate who has made great improvement in Reading and Writing
Finn Stanley	For excellence in Mathematics and persevering when things are challenging
Eveline Svensson	For excellence in Writing and Art and being supportive with others learning
Sophie Thompson	For being a helpful, supportive, friendly and positive classmate who strives for excellence in everything.
Olivia van der Meer	For aiming high and helping others.

WAIPOROPORO CLASS

Year 3

Tom Barnes	For excellent progress and effort in Reading
Angel Dagcutan	For being a caring class member and gaining confidence in all learning areas
Brooke Dunn	For having fantastic self- motivation and being such a kind class member
Hayley Earl	For always working so diligently and efficiently to complete all tasks
Andrew Fincham	For outstanding sportsmanship and fair play
Flynn Ginders	For having a determined approach to improve in all curriculum areas
Kelvin Hawley	For displaying all of the RISE values and excellent skills in all sports
Katie Keeble	For having such an enthusiastic and dynamic approach to learning each day
Ella McKnight	For persevering with a positive attitude when learning new and challenging concepts
William Munsey	For having a wonderful positive outlook towards learning
Ella Richards	For excellence in Writing and using a great vocabulary
Katie Spencer	For fantastic enthusiasm in all subjects and excellent vocabulary in writing
Davey Talivai	For persevering with challenges and excellence in Mathematics

Year 4

Abbie Baguley	For a vast improvement in working independently and in Art
Neve Cassidy	For being a wonderful role model who is always ready to help others
Shane- Marie Gannaban	For excellent progress in all subjects and developing confidence to work independently
Regan Kay	For outstanding effort in all subjects and displaying all of the school values
Jessie McMullan	For having enthusiasm in all subjects and excellence in Writing
Seth Smith	For excellent effort in all subjects, particularly Mathematics, and being always willing to

Cindy Smith Collings	help others
Sophie Wright	For being exceptionally caring and thoughtful towards others
KOWHAI CLASS	For outstanding effort in all subjects and increased confidence in Reading
<i>Year 4</i>	
Hunter Cattermole	For a fantastic attitude and outstanding achievement in Mathematics and Speech Making
Luke Chisnall	For a determined and positive approach to learning and improvement in self-management
Rowan Clausen	For outstanding effort and achievement in all learning areas, especially literacy
Clara Giller	For excellence in Reading and consistently fabulous presentation
Angus Hodgen	For excellent effort and achievement in Mathematics
Ollie Zino	For awesome enthusiasm, effort and achievement in Reading
<i>Year 5</i>	
Georgie Bethell	For positive and enthusiastic leadership and excellent achievement in all learning areas
Rachael Burnett	For showing confidence and resilience in your approach to learning, especially in Mathematics
David Dagcutan	For excellence in Art and work presentation
Samuel Earl	For outstanding achievement in Mathematics
Jessica Fincham	For outstanding attitude, effort and achievement in Literacy and for Jump Jam leadership
Olivia Frame	For outstanding effort and achievement in all sports
Joshua Gunn	For leadership and thoughtfulness towards others, and achievement in all learning areas
Geordie Hassall	For becoming a confident, independent learner, and accepting challenges in Reading and Mathematics
Taylor Hawley	For always working independently with a positive attitude towards all learning tasks
Neihana Hoeta-Smith	For being an independent learner who always contributes willingly with a can-do attitude
Jai Marryatt	For excellence in Technology and Mathematics
Cody Quirke	For showing enjoyment in learning, and improvement in self-management
Jakob Pascoe	For being a fantastic leader, showing enthusiasm and striving for excellence
Cody McMullan	For wonderful effort and attitude in all learning areas
Caleb Spencer	For excellent thinking skills and positive participation in all learning activities
Jackson van der Meer	For awesome effort and achievement in Mathematics
Willow Wildermoth	For being exceptionally helpful and willing to take on new challenges
Angus Zino	For enthusiasm, effort and amazing progress in Reading

KIKORANGI CLASS

Year 5

Josh Burton	For vast improvement in attitude and effort in Writing and Mathematics and wonderful art work.
Ella Ferguson	For outstanding effort in all written work and achievement in numerous sporting events
Maggie Ferguson	For vast improvement in attitude and effort in all areas of school work. Great Science Fair project
Briana Hodgen	For wonderful effort in all subject areas and increased confidence in Physical Education/ Sport. Excellent speech making and debating.
Daniel Topp	For high achievement in Mathematics and Reading and wonderful effort in current events and page projects

Year 6

Tahlia Beck	For outstanding diligence and attitude to all areas of school especially page projects and Reading
Fred Calder	For tremendous attitude and effort in all subjects especially page projects and Science Fair. A talented sportsman , debater and speechmaker
Joseph Clark	For wonderful writing and outstanding achievement in cross country running.
William Costello	For excellent attitude and effort in all subjects especially page projects and general knowledge
Katie Gunn	For outstanding effort and achievement in all subjects especially page projects and Writing. Excellent debating and speech making
Millie Hassall	For outstanding diligence and effort in all subjects especially page projects and speech making. A talented and accomplished sportswoman.
Daniel Hawley	For outstanding attitude and improvement in Reading and Writing and tremendous athletic ability
George Hicks	For steady progress in all subject areas and particular talent in all things IT related
Sam Hunter –Weston	For consistent improvement in all subject areas and wonderful attitude towards learning
Nathan Kay	For outstanding diligence, effort and achievement in all subjects especially page projects and Science Fair project. A talented and successful sportsman
April Kelly	For outstanding attitude and effort in all subjects especially self-motivated in Reading and Writing.
Eva Marryatt	For outstanding effort and achievement in ALL subject areas especially Writing and Mathematics. Wonderful page projects and winning Science Fair project. A talented sportswomen, debater and speechmaker.

Harper Pugh	For wonderful effort and attitude towards all areas of learning, a well-mannered young man
Martin Quigley	For vast improvement in presentation and time management. 100% Effort in all sporting codes
Kereama Smith–Collings	For quiet and consistent effort in all subject areas. Particular talent in sketching and drawing.
Chevannah Smith	For vast improvement in attitude and effort in all subject areas especially Reading, Writing and relating to others
Jack Tweed	For great effort and attitude to all areas of learning especially page projects. Always responsible and willing to help others.
Rommel Wilson	For outstanding achievement in all subject areas especially Mathematics, Reading and Science Fair project. A talented sportsman, debater and speechmaker.
Charlie Woelders	For improvement in all subject areas especially Reading and Writing. Wonderful effort in his Science Fair project
Jack Zino	For excellent effort and achievement in Mathematics and Writing. An outstanding Science Fair project and a talented sportsman and speechmaker

YEAR 7

Shakira Cameron	For consistent improvement in all learning areas and a conscientious attitude towards learning
Dean Cottrell	For fantastic effort and attitude in all learning areas, especially Literacy
Michael Courto	For high achievement in Mathematic problem solving and vast improvement in attitude and effort
Abby Devine	For an enthusiastic and determined approach to learning and vast improvement in perseverance and attitude
Logan Dunn	For a determined and positive approach to learning and improvement in self-management skills
Damien Durand	For a fantastic attitude to learning and excellent achievement in Writing and Mathematics
Liam Henderson	For having a fun, humorous approach to learning and showing a vast improvement in self-management skills and application to learning
Beth Hicks	For excellent achievement in Literacy and inquiry and vast improvement in attitude, effort and self-management skills
Nik McMullan	For a positive, conscientious attitude to learning and improvement in Reading and Writing
Anthony Reed	For a fantastic attitude towards learning, showing enthusiasm and achievement in all learning areas
Eli Scott	For showing confidence and resilience in your approach to learning and fabulous improvement in reading and writing
Yasmin Sparks	For vast improvement in attitude, effort and self –management skills and becoming a self-motivated reader
Jacob Ward	For excellent achievement in Literacy and a vast improvement in presentation and self-management skills

Merit Certificates

Bill Bailey	For diligence in English
Louie Bethell	For diligence in Mathematics and Social Studies
Liam Cassidy	For diligence in Technology hard materials
Lucy Frame	For academic achievement in Physical Education
Sean Hassall	For academic achievement in Mathematics
Kaitlin Keith	For academic achievement in Music and Technology hard materials
Misty-Rose Kokiri-Elers	For diligence in Social Studies
Archer Pascoe	For academic achievement in Art and diligence in English
Daniel Purvis	For diligence in Art
Crystal Reed	For diligence in Food and Fibre
Jake Topp	For diligence in Music and Technology hard materials
<i>Diligence Award</i>	
= Guy Jensen	For academic achievement in Physical Education and Food and Fibre and diligence in Mathematics, Science and Technology hard materials
= Roddy Murchison	For academic achievement in Social Studies and diligence in English, Science and Physical Education

Top Academic

Callum Clausen	For academic achievement in English, Science and Technology hard materials
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YEAR 8

Merit Certificates

Rosa Adam	For diligence in Music
Mitch Berry	For diligence in Art
Georgia Costello	For diligence in Physical Education

Elizabeth Downes	For diligence in Mathematics and Technology hard materials
Ashleigh Hawley	For academic achievement in Health and diligence in Food and Fibre
Skye Marryatt	For academic achievement in Mathematics and Science and diligence in English
Trinity O'Brien	For academic achievement in Food and Fibre
Emma Schroder	For diligence in Technology hard materials
Luke Sterne	For academic achievement in Music and diligence in English and Health
<i>Diligence Award</i>	
Sarah Frizzell	For diligence in English and Social Studies and academic achievement in Technology hard materials
<i>Top Academic</i>	
Connor Wilson	For academic achievement in English, Social Studies and Physical Education and diligence in Science

YEAR 4-8 HOME LEARNING CHALLENGE

<i>Copper:</i>	Sophie Wright, Hunter Cattermole, Gus Hodgen
<i>Bronze:</i>	Angus Zino, Joshua Gunn, Ella Ferguson, Maggie Ferguson, Briana Hodgen, Georgie Bethell
<i>Silver:</i>	Martin Quigley
<i>Gold:</i>	Sarah Frizzell, Emma Schroder

YEAR 9

<i>Merit Certificates</i>	
Caleb Beck	For diligence in Maori and academic achievement in Physical Education
Ashleigh Brown	For academic achievement in Art and Health and diligence in Food and Fibre
Brodie Cameron	For diligence in Technology hard materials
Charlotte Cassidy	For diligence in Technology hard materials
Douglas Quigley	For diligence in Physical Education
Briar Sparks	For diligence in Health
Zoe Watson	For diligence in Mathematics and Science
<i>Diligence Award</i>	
Hayley Spencer	For diligence in Science, Art and Physical Education
<i>Top Academic</i>	
= Tessa Allan	For academic achievement in Mathematics, Technology hard materials, Physical Education and Food and Fibre and diligence in English, Social Studies and Maori
= Morgan Bailey	For academic achievement in English, Science, Social Studies and Maori and diligence in Mathematics, Music and Health

YEAR 10

<i>Merit Certificates</i>	
Lee-Anne Alcantara	For academic achievement in Mathematics and diligence in English
Sarah Allington	For diligence in Social Studies and Art
Jackson Bau	For academic achievement in Physical Education
Jean Durand	For diligence in Music
Asra Ginders	For academic achievement in Food and Fibre
Ashleigh Lintott	For diligence in Health
Johnny Murchison	For diligence in Food and Fibre
Ethan Purvis	For academic achievement in Science
Cherie Sutherland	For diligence in Technology hard materials
<i>Diligence Award</i>	
= Josh Collins	For diligence in Mathematics, academic achievement in Art and diligence and academic achievement in Technology hard materials
= Krista Vernal	For diligence in Mathematics and Physical Education
<i>Top Academic</i>	
Grace Spencer	Top academic in English, Mathematics, Social Studies and Music and diligence in Science

YEAR 11

<i>Merit Certificates</i>	
Flynn Crean	For academic achievement in Agriculture, Physical Education and diligence and academic achievement in Music
Jamie-Lee Barnes	For academic achievement in Art
Cherish Bullmore	For academic achievement and diligence in DVC
Caleb McMullan	For academic achievement and diligence in Technology hard materials
Tom Ruck	For academic achievement in H.S.I
<i>Diligence Award</i>	
Nathan Hawley	For Diligence in Mathematics, Agriculture and Physical Education
<i>Top Academic</i>	
Miriam Clark	Top academic in Mathematics, Geography and Physical Education and diligence and academic achievement in English and Science

YEAR 12

Merit Certificates

Elbert Alcantara	For academic achievement in Art and DVC
Ashleigh Beck	For academic achievement in Physical Education
Fraser Lintott	For diligence and academic achievement in Agriculture
Willow Vernal	For diligence in Economics

Diligence Award

Jake Collins	For diligence in Mathematics, English, DVC, Art and Physics and diligence and academic achievement in Music and Technology hard materials
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Top Academic

Ricki Allan	For academic achievement in Mathematics, English, History, Geography and diligence and academic achievement in Chemistry
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YEAR 13

Merit Certificates

Alex Earl	For academic achievement in English
Nisha Jolliffe	For academic achievement in Art and academic achievement and diligence in Music, and diligence in Physical Education
Marcus White	For diligence in Technology hard materials
Levana Williamson	For diligence in Art and Economics

Diligence Award

Jessica Vernal	For diligence and academic achievement in Mathematics and Physics and diligence in History and Geography
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Top Academic

Thea Tabayooyong

SPORTING AWARDS

Swimming Awards

Ron Pierce Memorial Cup Champion Boy Swimmer (Year 4 and under)	Luke Chisnall
Ron Pierce Memorial Cup Champion Girl Swimmer (Year 4 and under)	Sophie Wright
Rutherford Challenge Cup Champion Boy Swimmer (Year 5 and 6)	Geordie Hassall
Rutherford Challenge Cup Champion Girl Swimmer (Year 5 and 6)	Olivia Frame
Year 7-10 Girl Swimming Champion	Emma Schroder
Year 7-10 Boy Swimming Champion	Caleb Beck
Senior Girl Swimming Champion	Ashleigh Beck
Senior Boy Swimming Champion	Corban Painter

Athletic Awards

Athletics Championship – Runner-Up Y3/4 Boy	Hunter Cattermole
Athletics Championship – Runner-Up Y3/4 Girl	Brooke Dunn
Hassall Cup Most Outstanding Junior Boy Athlete (Y3/4)	Andrew Fincham
Hassall Cup Most Outstanding Junior Girl Athlete (Y3/4)	Regan Kay
Athletics Championship – Runner-Up Y5/6 Boy	Fred Calder/Rommel Wilson
Athletics Championship – Runner-Up Y5/6 Girl	Millie Hassall/Olivia Frame
Mc Cort Cup Champion Junior Boy Athlete (Y5/6)	Daniel Hawley
School Council Cup Champion Junior Girl Athlete (Y5/6)	Jessica Fincham
Year 7-10 Girl Athletic Champion Runner-Up	Tessa Allan/Lucy Frame
Year 7-10 Boy Athletic Champion Runner-Up	Douglas Quigley
Year 7-10 Girl Athletic Champion	Krista Vernal
Year 7-10 Boy Athletic Champion	Caleb Beck
Senior Girl Athletic Champion	Alex Earl
Senior Boy Athletic Champion	Damien Watson

Cross Country Champions

Cross Country 2nd Junior Girl (31 st student overall)	Eva Marryatt
Cross Country 2nd Junior Boy (7 th student overall)	Jakob Pascoe
Cross Country Girl Champion 1 st Junior Girl (29 th student overall) Forster Cup	Millie Hassall
Cross Country Boy Champion 1 st Junior Boy (1 st student overall) Forster Cup	Joseph Clark
Cross Country Champion Senior Girl (11 th student overall)	Miriam Clark
Cross Country Champion Senior Boy (2 nd student overall)	Todd Wilkins

Triathlon Champions

Triathlon Champion Junior Team (Y5-8)	Daniel Hawley
	Jack Zino
	Sam Hunter-Weston
Trathlon Champion Junior Girl (Year 5-8)	Lucy Frame
Trathlon Champion Junior Boy (Y5-8)	Nathan Kay
Triathlon Champion Senior Team (Y9-13)	Nathan Hawley
	Fletcher Earl
	Jamie-Lee Barnes

Triathlon Champion Senior Girl (Y9-13)
Triathlon Champion Senior Boy (Y9-13)

Alex Earl
Isaac Hassall

Badminton and Tennis Champions

Badminton Champion Girl
Badminton Champion Boy
Tennis Champion Junior Girl
Tennis Champion Junior Boy
Tennis Champion Senior Girl
Tennis Champion Senior Boy

Alex Earl
Ricki Allan
Millie Hassall
Connor Wilson
Tessa Allan
Ricki Allan

Special Sporting Awards

Physical Education Cup
Sportswoman of the Year
Sportsman of the Year
Blackwell's Sports Cup

Ashleigh Beck/Miriam Clark
Alex Earl
Caleb Beck
Marcus White

SPEECH AND CULTURAL AWARDS

Excellence in Speech Making Junior Chisnall Cup
Excellence in Speech Making Intermediate Chisnall Cup
Excellence in Speech Making Senior Chisnall Cup
Junior School Oral Language Cup
Excellence in Performing Arts
Contribution to Music within the school
Visual Arts Award
Wordsmith Award for Excellence in Writing

Callum Clausen
Tessa Allan
Nisha Jolliffe
Eva Marryatt
Nisha Jolliffe
Asra Ginders
Danielle Hoban/Nisha Jolliffe
Alex Earl

SPECIAL AWARDS

Hospitality Challenge Trophy
Excellence in Hospitality
Mainpower Prize Excellence in Senior Mathematics and Physics

Tom Ruck
Tom Ruck
Jessica Vernal

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Mainpower Citizenship Prize Junior School
Citizenship Girl (Layla Lennon Trophy)
Citizenship Boy (Reuben Sanders Trophy)
Jacquie Topp Cup
Robert Topp Shield
Gilbert Family Cup
Forrester Agriculture Trophy
Hurunui College Environmentalist of the Year
Hawarden Waikari Lions Scholarship
Dux of the School

Bill Bailey /Guy Jensen
Nisha Jolliffe
Marcus White
Danielle Hoban
Marcus White
Chantelle White/Flynn Crean
Tom Ruck
Callum Hinde
Jessica Vernal
Ainethia Tabayoyong

STUDENT WORK

Speech Competition

Speech Competition, 1st place Senior: Nisha Jolliffe, Year 13

Speech Competition, 1st place Intermediate: Tessa Allan, Year 9

DESTINATION FOR A CLASS TRIP

Imagine yourself sitting in a two person kayak looking out over a huge, glistening estuary hearing all the different birds chirping away as they fly around you. You take a sniff at the pleasant smell of just and only nature surrounding you. The sun is on your back keeping you warm until you dip your hand in the lake, its freezing and you get a shiver up your spine... As you are scooping the incredible wildlife you see a mind blowing yet spine-chilling 3ton hippopotamus. You might think, it's all good it's a vegetarian. Well yes you are right but you should still be just a bit terrified because hippos kill more people than what lions do every year! You realize it's just you with only water separating you from the monsters huge, toxic, bacteria filled jaws, you

start turning your kayak around, look back over your shoulder and it's gone. In your ear you hear your tour guide say it's alright just keep moving forward, they won't get you while you are inside the kayak. Your heart is racing from the terror yet part of you wants to keep exploring on this kayak adventure! Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls I'm going to persuade you to go to this adventurous place and this "place" is South Africa.

Now carrying on, you finally exit the hippo's territory and enter the crocodiles where you can see 5m crocodiles at the largest. You spot one, now either this scaly creature could slither away or follow you until you reach the end of the journey at the St Lucia River kayaking.

Because your legs are probably stiff from sitting in a kayak all day, take a walk into the ravishing, heart stopping Cango Caves! There are two types of tours you can go on either the standard tour which is an easy tour going through the massive, orange rock chambers, where you can see clusters of dripstones covered in vermillion. Then if you are up for the challenge you absolutely have to go on the 'adventure tour' which takes you through narrow passageways with one opening at just at 26 cm!! These outstanding caves have been an attraction for over 200yrs!

This may sound quite bizarre, but have you ever imagined yourself riding the biggest bird in the world? That's right I didn't think so!! As the instructors are explaining how to ride an ostrich they drop little facts in, like they use their legs to defend themselves and they can run up to 69 kilometres an hour. It's time to ride the ostrich! The instructors put a bag over the feathered birds head to calm it down and you jump on! The bag comes off and the ostrich takes off with you gripping onto its wings for dear life! You are enjoying the ride so much you don't realise it's time to get off! The ostrich stops and your heartbeat is slowing down as you are thank full you didn't fall off.

There are some other mind blowing experiences in South Africa that would get your adrenaline pumping- Safaris, horse riding next to wildebeests and giraffes and the an elephant safari.

So come with me for all the incredible adventures, animals and sights to see, where else in the world could you experience all of this???

Speech Competition, 1st place Primary: Callum Clausen, Year 7

PETROL PRICES SHOULD BE CHEAPER IN NZ

It's a well known fact that petrol in New Zealand is overly priced. But by how much is this fossil fuel actually worth, compared to how much we pay. Good Afternoon audience I'm Callum Clausen and I'm here to utterly convince you that petrol in New Zealand is truly overpriced.

My first amazing point is how much the petrol really is. Imagine you stop at a gas station and start to fill up your car and the price count is speeding up faster than the fuel is going in. In fact records show that so far this year petrol is roughly two dollars-but that's not all, because the highest price all year is \$2.17pL! That's a crazy amount of money and, \$2.17 need I say more?

Secondly I will dare to compare our supernatural prices to some other countries. In the smallest continent in the world aka Australia the prices speed down at an awesome, highest-all-year \$1.49c states globepetrolprices.com. Also to make matters worse for us New Zealanders, in the USA highest prices (in NZ dollars) are a thrilling \$1.10 and, at the lowest 90, yes 90, 93 cents! Why do we New Zealanders have to pay so much?!

Now for my third and maybe my best point-petrol prices should have plummeted by now. Did you know that prices have been high since 2008, 2008! That's a long time to constantly be paying for petrol at that price.

In fact if you crunch down a bunch of numbers (as I have kindly done for you) it shows that by now prices should be a cool \$1 48! Also a few of you may know about the "price drop"- and as this is over the moonly good, I don't think it's going to lower much more before the prices fire back up again!

As you can all-too-clearly see (unless you've been brainwashed by the petrol company) these numbers are way and by way I mean WAY too high, but in case you're not a believer, let me go back over my superior points. One; the super high, no-money-left-in-my-pocket prices which have been around for 7 years! Also the numbers compared to other countries-even our next door neighbour, down under's prices are, well 'down under' from ours. Finally to conclude with a bang, what it'- actually more like, what price petrol is now and, as you know it's not looking to flash. These prices MUST change-people are struggling to pay for other things like food and rent because prices are so high. By now I am sure that you are all 100% agreed with me that these petrol prices MUST drop! Ask yourself is this fair?

Written Work

Becoming, Alex Earl, Year 13

She was fair in all senses of the word. So far removed was she from the hostile weather that had sprouted her death. In the inky light her complexion became translucent, a pallor that made the cream shift dress appear tanned. Flaxen hair shone with a lustre alien to most. When she sang it was like the bitter wind that suspends the wheat germ; jolting and sharp. With her heavy trudge came thick breathing, the hillock proving strenuous for the maiden's weak frame. My feet and my breath; they should disrupt the night-time quiet but instead they amplify it.

The moon is maybe one sixteenth full—or empty, really, thin as the edge of a scythe, clear and high in a very black sky. The stars are out in layers; glimmers of red and gold and blue, distant acquaintances amassed behind familiar constellations. Orion with his swaggering stance, and the twins, Castor and Pollux. Though the night obscures our deeds from mortals, all gods are present in our giving. The higher heavens are free to observe the fabulous atrocities that are to befall the eastern clans.

We do not look through night's darkness into infinite day, but through daylight into infinite darkness. The world is its most pure, most true, after that burning orb has tucked itself behind distant mountains and night's owl has left its roost.

Her fragile smile is a menace. It stirs my mind and obliterates my resolve. Soft fingers around my wrist support me, a grip that will never settle upon my skin again. Her wiry frame kneels and murk wraps around her ankles. Her pride, the worth that had been projected by straight shoulders and, in a different way, her linen, was gone.

The Gods the druid speaks of must be capricious beasts. One as fair as she cannot be of any more value entombed in filth than if she continued to perch under her father's shoulder as he conducted clan business. Can the souls of mortals possibly satisfy divine entities? With water suckling our feet we halt. Like a plague the men attacked. Fisting her braid with numb hands I restrain while twelve mitts pummel her fettered breasts. Knifing her biceps and bruising her limbs; shaking my resolve. Just a fledgling her thrashes accounted for no more pain than that which a butterfly's wings could.

Cries, muffled only by the cloth settled in her mouth, echo against barbed mountain peaks, and nails pierce the skin of my arm. Fists, aimed at her face now. Crunching bone. Piercing screams. Sharp breaths. A game, both for them and for me. Lights in their eyes, planted not by glistening stars, but glee. The wrenching of my elbow around her slender neck; a game. A lie.

Slumping; her body.

No. The kicking begins, ferocious, unforgiving. She is lying now. The raise of a welt resting on her brow bone. She has to get up. Hauling her braids and that which is attached upwards. Pale feet pressed against the earth. Briny tears catching on sparse lashes. Bruising kicks ceasing. There is a lull before the beating begins again. Another lull before I can surreptitiously shield her face; lessen the blows with the meat of my arm. To keep her alive.

A fleeting shadow, moving in the way an adder does when snatching up a vole. Aggressive. Blurring. Feeling the sharp exhalation rush past my ear and the sour stench of bog water drowning out the metallic tint of blood. Watch as her body stills and the dagger buried in her rotund gut squelches free.

Alabaster cambric settling with the tell-tale of crimson, she lay, with bog water soaking her cotton undergarments and six men reeling in breath beside her. Sudden quiet. Their breath is softer now, as if to recognise my thoughts. The sound of iron decimating bone rang in my ears, and the splatter of blood that stained my hands seemed to be luminescent in the night. Detached from my body I saw seven brawny men, haggard, faces stoic in indifferent resolution over a corpse. Watched as their eyebrows pinched with permanence as she sank deeper. Deeper.

Until only the protrusion of her swollen belly could be seen above the shallows of the marsh.

Freedom, Grace Spencer, Year 10

Gasp, pant. I jolt in my sleep. I wake to find my rough black palms covered in blood. My tongue is as dry as a baked cactus. The sweltering sun is scorching my bare back and legs. My eyes scan the desert horizon. All I see is a blank landscape; sand, shrub and rocks. Reluctantly I close my eyes again. The nightmare is clawing at my heart...

My throat is burning. My tongue sticks to the walls of my mouth. So thirsty. My bare feet are tingling from

the heat of the ground. The edges of my ears are singed from the glare of the fierce Kenyan sun. Even the earth is thirsty for moisture on this part of the planet. I've been up since dawn tending to the cows. Nothing has been given to us workers to provide for the hard work that we've done. Now it's noon. Hunger glared right in my face. From the corner of my eye I caught a glance at the master's house. I needed to get inside soon, before I die of thirst.

"Hey! Boy! Get over here!" One of the other workers was shouting at me. Despite me being here for over three years, barely anyone even knows my name. I sigh. I slap Betsy, the old house cow on the rump to get her moving forward. She swishes her brown speckled tail and slowly begins to manoeuvre herself towards the yard gate. On any other day, I wouldn't mind tending to the cows and goats. But today I'm tired of being treated like a nobody on this desert ranch. All I feel like doing is sprouting wings and flying away to my humble village home.

I edged myself towards the house. I placed my hand on the door handle and twisted it. I took my first paces into the unknown.

My steps echo on the blue and white checked floor of the hall. It reminds me of a field of violets, bobbing in the breeze. I can see a set of elegant stairs, spiralling to the sky. Now, where can I find some water?

"Gasp!" I shift my gaze to a large porcelain vase, just opposite of the room from I was standing. A tall, lean girl wearing a light blue dress and sandals stepped out from behind it. Jade.

"What are you doing here?" she hissed, hoarsely. I gulped. She isn't the same Jade I once knew. I would always see her with her friends playing tag in amongst the mud huts at our village. Now she's thirteen, one year younger than myself. But she's changed so much. Her wavy hair has been tamed into a bun.

I took a step towards her but she obviously didn't me here. "Jade. It's me – Aaron." The childhood sparkle that once gleamed in her eyes had been dimmed. Now all I could see was fear and misery.

"Get out!" she whispers, "You know what will happen!" I do know the consequences, but I have to try.

"I need a drink of water." Jade began to panic. She steals a glance behind her shoulder. She gasps again and quickly gets back to dusting the vase. I then realise what she's so worried about. The master - or "The Bulldog", as we call him. I tried to run, but his hands of iron had already grasped around by wrists. "What're you doing 'ere, boy?" My throat is so tense that I couldn't utter a sound. His grip tightens. "Huh?" His voice sounds rough. It was then that I noticed the object in his hand. Cold, snake-like and harsh. My body stiffened. I've seen the whip been used many a time before on the back of a slave, but I never dreamed that it would be used to punish me. This. Isn't. Happening.

When I awoke again, the sun had vanished and in its place the moon shone on the world around me. I examined my enflamed arms. The deep cuts of the whip had left my back and arms like a furrowed field. I shivered. The desert at night is extreme. The thought of aggressive animals searching for prey in the dark was enough to make me fall. I'm no longer at the farm. I must have been driven several miles out, and then abandoned in the middle of the desert plains, left here to die. I decided it was time to get moving. So I took my first steps into the unknown. I'm free.

Walking through the desert at night is far easier than in during the day. Still, it's rough. My breath comes out in short, sharp gasps. I trip, and fall. Blood dribbles from my grazed knee. But I push myself on. I remember the freedom I just gained. And the people who will be waiting for me back home.

John R. Allison Memorial Essay Competition 2015, First Place

What life would be like for early settlers in Canterbury, by Connor Wilson, Year 8

An adventure to Astrop. Based on a true story

I look at my father, bewildered, "Are we really going all the way to New Zealand? Why do we have to leave England? Where is this "New Zealand" and how long did you say we have to sail?"

"Yes, we are going. My brother and I are going to set up a farm in a region called Canterbury," explains my father. "We are leaving in October and I'll not hear another word of it do you hear boy!"

I cannot believe it, my father, Arthur Powys, is taking us his family, halfway across the globe just so he can go farming!

I am Connor Littleton Powys and I am 13 years of age. I am the eldest son of Charlotte and Arthur Powys. I have a younger brother, Oliver Littleton Powys who is two years my junior. We currently live at Thrapston, Northamptonshire (well, that was before we move to New Zealand). My father is a farm hand on "Purston Manor" but now I am told we are to become immigrants to Canterbury, New Zealand.

This is my tale of our journey to a new home, "Astrop" some 500 acres in the Pyramid Valley, North Canterbury, New Zealand.

Aboard the Mermaid we sailed for three, long, storm-ridden months. At times I despaired we were travelling to the end of the earth. Arrival in Lyttelton Harbour, on New Year's day 1866, was a long awaited blessing. So this was our new land of hope and fortune, bush covered hills teeming with families just like ours. Expressions of excitement mixed with apprehension etched on the faces of those who brushed past me on the docks.

Thankfully father hired a cart to take our luggage over the Port Hills for mother's expression mirrored my trepidation at the prospect of a long walk ascending the hill. I saw a cluster of buildings set on swamp land with smoke forming a haze like blanket. Christchurch, the young town of Canterbury, spread before my eyes, far off in the northern distance I can see mountains blue-tinged and white capped. Is this where our farm Astrop is meant to be?

Strange fowl-like birds with blue feathers pecked the roadside with their red beaks as we drew up to the Cob & Company coach station. A team of sturdy bay geldings stood patiently tethered to the hitching rail. A scene not unlike that of home.

We arrived in the centre of Christchurch where we were met by my Uncle Richard.

"Welcome to Christchurch you must be exhausted and eager to set out for your new home," said my Uncle enthusiastically. After so long at sea, I am desperate for land that doesn't tip and pinch beneath my feet. The Cob & Company coach took us to the Weka Pass where we disembarked and commenced our arduous walk through unusual limestone rock formations.

Arrival at Astrop was a long awaited pleasure even though there was no house! As I looked around all I could see was swamp and flax bushes. We had to sleep in a tent for a while but eventually we built a modest cob house.

I had to work continuously helping father with the beastly job of combining clay, water and a type of straw made from the Toi Toi bush to create the cob which we used to make the structure of our house.

In addition to building duties, my usual chores also involved fetching water from the creek and chopping firewood. A difficult job indeed as the Manuka growing so abundantly seemed to repel my blows with the axe. Doing all these tasks didn't leave me much time to explore my surroundings. There was so much open space it seemed the swamp and tussock covered plains went on forever.

One thing I was happy about though was that I didn't have to go to school, well that was until my mother told me that we are going to Masons Flat school. Oliver and I rode 5 kilometres, down the rutted Dalmeny road in the old cart pulled by the ancient cart horse, Blueskin. The school was tiny compared to the schools back in Northamptonshire and there were only about 10 students. Students arrived on carts, horseback, on foot and even poor Pearly Shaw had to bike all the way from Horsley Downs. Our headmaster was very strict just like old Mr Woodward back in England, I wonder why all school teachers dislike children? I met two brothers Bill and Jack Crean who were my age and seemed good sorts. We soon became a trio of restless boys eager to shoot magpies with trusty sling shots and not at all interested in Latin or History.

Strangely, Christmas arrived in Summer which was highly unusual because back in England Christmas is in the Winter. We cooked swamp hens for lunch, Jack and Bill came with their parents and we had a few of father's friends join us for cricket in the heat of the afternoon. I got a special package from England, my relatives had sent a knitted woollen sweater, not exactly useful in the middle of our hot, dry summer in Canterbury. Jack and Bill got matching sweaters as well but they also got a real leather football from their family up in the North Island.

There were many problems on this godforsaken farm of ours. Outside the Nor'west wind is like something I had never seen before, blowing everything around as if it was just a rag doll. The ground soon becomes parched and cracked, trees bent like fathers fly fishing rod when a trout takes the fly. Even worse we had to look for our horses who had run away once again. The sheep have lice and we can't get enough wire to build the fences. The vegetable garden is decimated by rabbits and possums, what does grow is quickly shrivelled by severe frosts and is blanketed in snow during the winter. Father is becoming more and more frustrated. Mother is quiet and looks sad. Just when I was starting to come to terms with living in this strange new land, Mother and Father decided to return to England as farming at "Astrop" proves to be more difficult and challenging than they ever expected.

So now I farewell the cob cottage, the persistent Nor'west wind, runaway horses, my good friends Jack and Bill and last, but not least, the prospect of farming the land of "Astrop" in Pyramid Valley. As we sail out of Lyttelton harbour on February 6th 1867 I wonder what will become of our farm and the cob house I helped build?

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Student Council



Years 0-3 Daffodil Day colouring competition



Sausage sizzle at the St Bede's Rugby game



CreAllan cup cooking competition



Above: CreAllan Cup activities

HOUSE ACTIVITIES





yet our roots remain the one

Workshop





Food and Fibre



Gateway Report



Jenny Keeble, Gateway Coordinator

Hurunui College runs a Gateway programme which is funded by the Tertiary Education Commission and open to Year 11-13 students. Gateway supports students to undertake learning and assessment in the workplace. Structured workplace learning is a formal learning arrangement set in an actual workplace for a sustained period of time. The purpose is to provide opportunities to develop a clear understanding of the knowledge and skills required for future employment through achieving unit standards.

The students must be work ready, have realistic future goals, and be able to manage one day out of school, each school week, while completing their assessments for NZQA credits in the workplace.

Gateway is designed to strengthen a pathway for students to enter the workforce, gain practical knowledge in their chosen profession or it can be a way to try an industry as a potential career.

Hurunui College is forever grateful to the following businesses who participated in Gateway this year by giving their time to these students –

- Marcus White: Alex Ferguson and Jenny Banks – Hawarden (Farming)
- Kodie Plaskett: Amberley Preschool & Nursery – Amberley (Child Care)
- Rachel Garside: Hanmer Springs i-site Visitor Centre and the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa – Hanmer (Tourism)



I would like to congratulate the students for their participation in the programme and those who gained some credits for the Gateway programme, both at school and in the workplace. And a special thank you to the parents for allowing this to happen each week. It is a great opportunity, but also a big commitment.

Jenny Keeble, Gateway Co-Ordinator.

Students at work



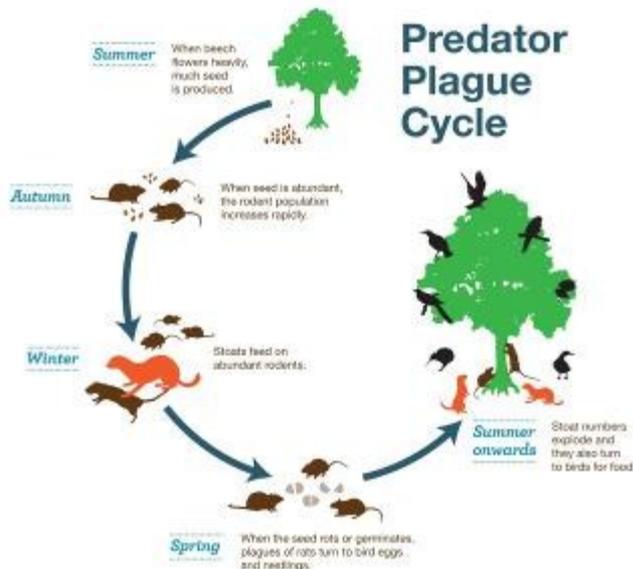
Nina Valley Restoration Group Report

Tim Kelly

It has been a busy year for the group, with great progress being made in the face of adversity. 2014/15 was a beach mast season. This is explained in the diagram below:

As a result of this beach masting, we had a plague of mice, rats, and stoats in the forest. Fortunately we had a good turn-out of student and adults over the year to help keep the traps empty and ready to go. It is not yet known if our trapping alone was sufficient to prevent a large decline in the valley's native birds, geckos, and insects, but we are hopeful that our work lessened the blow considerably. Unfortunately, there will be another mast event again this season.

In spite of this battle to depress predator numbers, we were delighted to have been able to release a further eight adult kiwi into the Nina, bringing us closer to our target of forty breeding kiwis. Through



funding from the Ministry for the Environment we were able to transfer these kiwis from the Hawdon Valley in Arthur's Pass to the Nina Valley in autumn this year. This event was well attended and made the news on two television stations.

I am very pleased to say that it appears that three of these kiwi pairs have produced an egg this season, so fingers crossed that they can each raise a healthy chick. These would be our first chicks born in the Nina since the programme started in 2009.

We are very fortunate to have two post-graduate students from Lincoln University working with us in the Nina to monitor the progress of our kiwi. Vanessa and Peter are investigating whether electronic remote listening devices can be used to identify individual kiwi.

Our whio (blue duck) population appears to be doing well, with more family groups sighted on the river again this year. These birds, more endangered than the kiwi, should benefit most from our trapping programme given that the traps are always close to their nesting sites. We have also established some permanent possum traps in the areas where we believe the whio are nesting.

The school has also been doing research in the Medbury Scientific Reserve this year as part of its senior biology programme. The reserve is one of the few remaining low-land kanuka remnants in the world, and as such it contains some very special flora and fauna. In the reserve, DOC has focused mostly on its flora, so we have undertaken extensive fauna monitoring on their behalf. Our focus has been on lizards and invertebrates. Although we did not find any unusual lizards, we have found some large tunnel web spiders (*Hexathele*) which are only found elsewhere on Banks Peninsula in the South Island. Given the distance between these two places, it is possible that ours is in fact a distinct species.

DOC as asked us to undertake some trapping in the Medbury Scientific Reserve, which we will begin next year. We will continue monitoring and hopefully we will see an increase in both fauna abundance and diversity there. Towards the end of the year Mr Kelly



attended the national conference of the Ecology Society of New Zealand, where he was a guest speaker. This was an excellent opportunity to show that students can do real, useful field ecology, and he learned much himself over the four days.

In 2016 we will not be releasing any more kiwis, as we wait to see how our new kiwis settle in; the next transfer is scheduled for 2017. Hopefully in 2017 we will also stage another Nina Valley Ecoblitz. Meanwhile, we will of course be continuing our trapping efforts and would love to have more students and parents get involved. Trips take place every three weeks, so why not come up and see what it's all about.

Agriculture

Tim Kelly TIC

2015 was a busy year in which we had a large number of opportunities to visit local farms and have guest speakers talk to us in school. The focus for this year was on animal health, animal reproduction, and environmental impact. In 2016 we will be focusing on animal nutrition and cropping. Every year we try to do a good amount of practical animal handling and fencing too.

The year started off with the class taking part in the South Island Farmer of the Year day out to Patoa Farm. This was a great opportunity for students to see how farming can be taken to the next level. A few months after that we were given a very interesting talk by Paul Van de Meer, the operations manager at Patoa. Paul spoke to us about pig health and reproduction, and management of potential environmental impacts on the farm.

Our next visit was from NAIT representative, Hazel Willis. Hazel spoke to us about the need for animal tracking systems and the implementation of the new NAIT programme. Our final classroom visit was from Sharon Dunne of LIC. Sharon spoke to us about genetic gain and how breeding values are ascribed. Sharon also shared her theories on how to breed a Melbourne Cup winner!

In term one we made a tiki tour of Hawarden farms to see how different farmers manage animal health. Our first stop was with sheep and beef farmer Sam Chisnal, who puts a lot of emphasis on breeding resistance into his animals. Our next stop was with Dave Fincham. Dave is an organic farmer and it was interesting to see how animal health issues were addressed in this farming system. Chris Earl, a sheep and beef farmer, then explained his successful preventative health system to the class. Our final talk at Mulholland's dairy farm was aborted, but we had a good chat with the milk tanker driver there.

We then embarked on a number of animal handling field days. These included:

- Chris Earl – lambs: Docking, ear marking, vaccinating, injecting, castrating, and drafting.
- Sam Chisnal – lambs: Drenching and yarding.
- Chris Earl – hogget ewes: Ear tagging, injecting, drenching, and drafting.
- Bede Crean – fencing: Installing deer netting.
- Chris Earl – yearling cattle: Drenching, yarding, and head bailing.
- Sam Chisnal – fencing: Erecting permanent hot wires, installing insulators and outriggers.
- Chris Earl – fencing: Replacing intermediate posts.

In addition to the field work above, we also spent quite a bit of time on our practice fencing ground at school. Here students learned to make terminal knots, joining knots, and how to strain wires. Some students progressed to installing intermediate posts. Somewhere along the way we also found a few hours to pick and class feijoas.

We are very fortunate at this school to have a community of local farmers who care about the education of the next generation of farmers, and we would like to thank all of those people who assisted us with our learning this year.



Rata Room

Tristian, Brodie, Laura, Jackson, Lavinia



We enjoyed yummy food and iced chocolates at Pam's *Everyone*



I liked selling all the staff at Market Day *Tristan*

Giggling in the rain on the Museum Trip *Laura*



Fun making our pet rocks *Jackson*



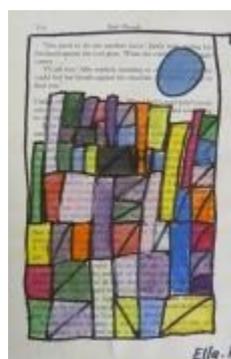
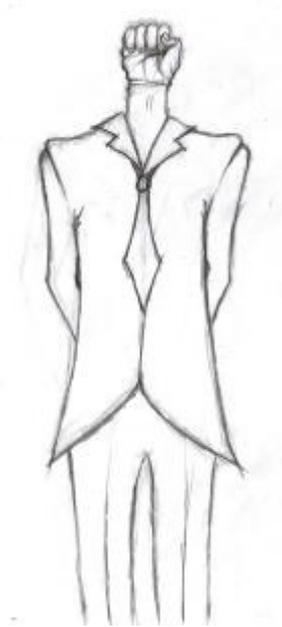
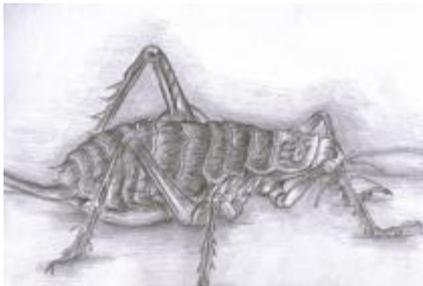
Swimming deep down at Hanmer Pools - great!! *Brodie*



Nice people and it's quiet in the Rata Room *Jackson*



Museum trip - cool!! *Brodie*





Student Art Work

Whero 2015

I liked...



Listening to Miss Banks.

Learning maths..

Playing with my friends.

Being in the classroom with Sinead.

Doing maths.

Discovery time.

The market day.

Learning how to grow plants.

Doing art. Liam

Listening to news. Joshua Spencer

Doing maths.

Playing toilet tag.

Doing writing, reading and discovery time.

Art. Will Zino

Painting pictures.

I liked doing maths. Hamish

Reading my buddy books. Khaliah Rob-

Fridays, you don't have to do reading, writing or

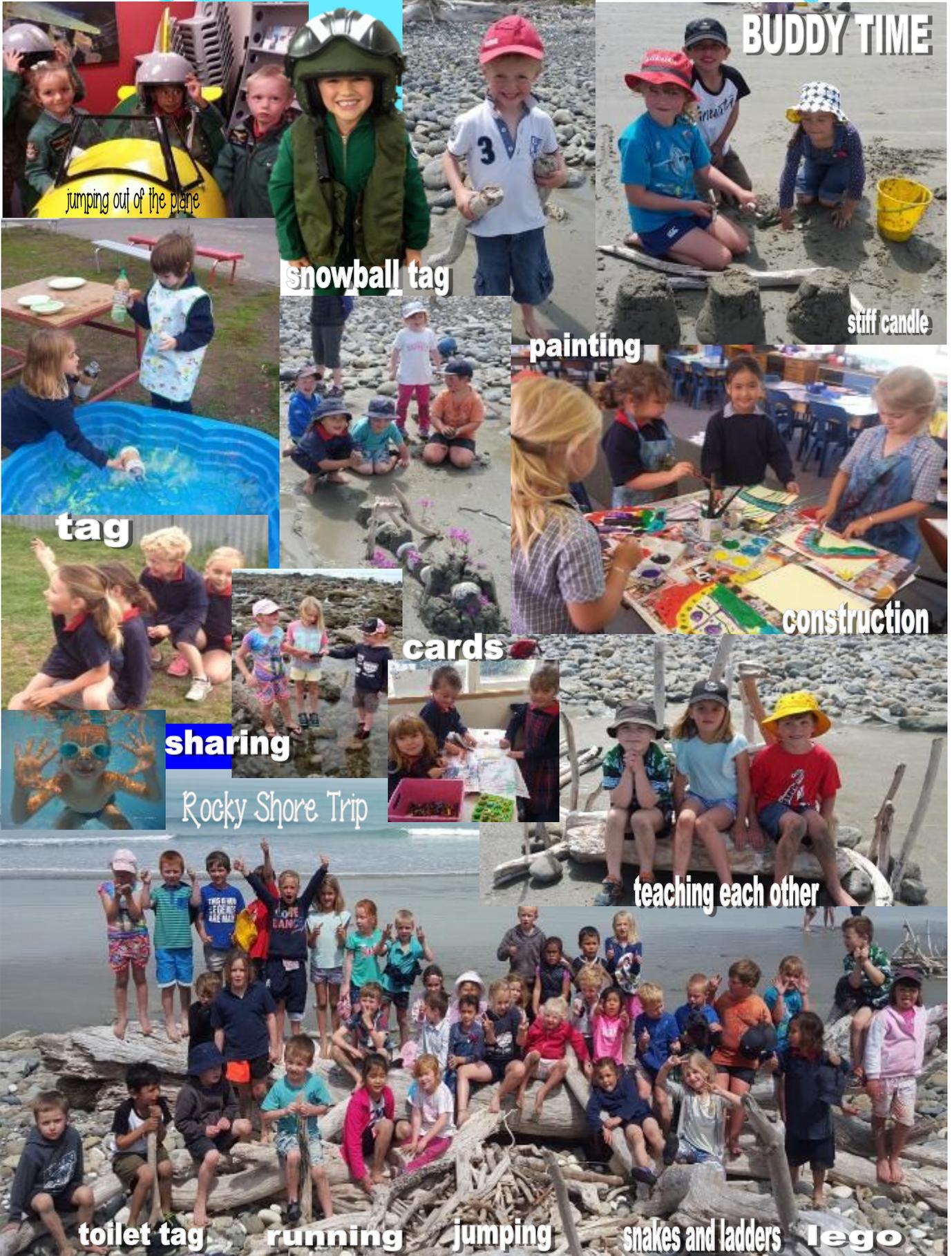
Playing and doing maths.

Playing on the playground. Harry Sidey



Discovery Community 2015

We enjoyed working together doing...



jumping out of the plane

BUDDY TIME

snowball tag

stiff candle

painting

tag

construction

cards

sharing

Rocky Shore Trip

teaching each other

toilet tag

running

jumping

snakes and ladders

lego



building with boxes

making towers

buddy time

FITNESS

learning together

glitter

throwing and catching beanbags

stuck in the mud

sandpit

MATHS

puzzles

dress-ups

DISCOVERY TIME

Wigram Trip

playing games

shops

writing on desks

KAKARIKI

A pples are my favourite food.
L iving up at Mt Benger is cool.
I Love my Mum, Dad and Abby.
C ats are cool.
E veryday I like school.

B en is happy.
E veryday I have fun.
N ext my favourite food is ice cream.

S amuel loves his Mum and Dad.
A t school I play with my friends
M y favourite colour is red.
U sing the sandpit is fun.
E veryday I go to Lena's House.
L ollies are my favourite food.

T wo sisters in my family.
A nimals are cool.
I love my family.
M aori is important to me.
A t home I have a dog called Kora.
N anny is cool.
A Round her I have lots of cousins.

L ollypops are my favourite food.
I like my puppy.
B rothers are annoying.
B ut Nannys are the best.
Y ellow is my favourite colour.

O livia is my name. I love it!
L ollys are my favoutie food
I love my Mum and Dad
V alantines day is a special time.
I ce cream is delicious
A ctivities are good for my brother and I .

B utterflies are pretty.
A nimals are cool.
I love my family heaps and heaps
L oving baby penguins I saw.
E lephants are one of my favourite animals.
E ating orange chocolate chip ice cream is the best.

M y dog is called Tom.
A pples are my favourite food.
T ouching my pony is warm.
I like watching television.
L ollies are yummy.
D ad is funny.
A cow is what I have on the farm.

G rapes are my favourite food.
R aces are cool.
A pples are my favourite food too.
C ats are cool.
E veryday I like school.
D ucks are my favourite animal.

J elly is yummy.
O n July 17 I was born.
S wimming is fun.
I like playing with our farm dogs.
E verytime I go farming with Dad it is fun.

F un everyday.
I like minecraft.
N ext lollies are my favourite food.
N ow I am cool.

R ocking after school everyday.
I love my Mum.
L ibby is my cousin.
E xcellence is my favourite word.
Y ellow is the colour of my motorbike.

B ulldozers are my favourite to drive.
L ollypops are my favourite food.
A helicopter is what my Dad used to fly.
K elvin is my friend.
E verytime I swim I feel happy.

E veryday I like playing with my dog.
V ery happy every day.
E veryday I like to watch TV
L ovely flowers are in my garden.
I love my Mum and Dad.
N ow my Mum works at the supermarket
E veryday I like seeing my friends.

H orses are my favourite animal.
A pples are hard for me to eat.
Z ooming on my bike.
E ating macaroni is yummy.
L ittle brothers are annoying.

M y sister is tiny.
A ny motorbikes I like.
N ow I am seven.
N ana is nice.
Y esterday I practiced my dance moves.

H exagons is my maths group.
A ctivities are fun for me.
R iley plays tag with me.
R ed apples are my favourite food.
Y ellow is my favourite colour.

G orrilla's are my favourite animal.
R ock and roll.
E verything is cool
G reg is six.
O ranges are my favourite food.
R eally thinks Kakariki is cool.
Y ellow is my favourite colour.

P onies are my favourite animal.
O livia is my Aunty.
P igeons are my sisters pet.
P oppy lives at Esk Head Station.
Y ellow is one of my favourite colours.

G rapes are nice, so are all fruits.
R iding ponies is fun.
A pples are tasty.
C antering on my pony is fun.
E lla is my sister

M y best friends are Poppy and Alice.

S winging on a swing is fun.
O ur cat is fun to play with.
P onies are my favourite animal.
H amish is cool like Kakariki.
I like ice cream the best.
E lephants are my second favourite animal.

E veryone loves me
D etermined to have fun





WE ARE...

"This year I am most proud of the effort that I am now putting into literacy tasks." **Logan Dunn**

"This year was the BEST year of my life because we were in the Exploring community and I have made lots of friends." **Cindy Smith-Collings**



The best part of the year was going on camp because I saw my first whale **Maggie Ferguson**

"The best thing this year was going to Kaikoura and seeing the dolphins and seals." **Flynn Ginders**

I am most proud of my spelling because I started at List 5 and now I', a Super Speller. **Josh Gunn**

I achieved Relational (SOLO level) in my Sperm Whale project for lots of information and linking my ideas together. **Jackson Van der Meer**



EXPLORERS!

I am most proud of my maths because I tried my best so I could get to a higher standard. Now I've got the hang of my maths.

Olivia Frame



The best day of the year was athletics and our Kaikoura camp

William Costello

"This year I really enjoyed 'Market Day', making the products and making lots of money."

Louie Bethell

This year I am most proud of my writing because now I am writing longer stories and adding more detail."

By Liam Cassidy

"I have really enjoyed learning Japanese this year."

Callum Clausen

"This year I have really enjoyed doing science fair and being able to explore our own question and display it on a big board."

Archer Pascoe

WE HAVE



*I enjoyed doing my science fair project because I learnt how bulbs grew. **Jack T***

*We enjoyed exploring all things to do with money with our Market Day and we learnt how to design new products and deal with money. **Jai and Ollie***

*In ten years time I will be working at the Chocolate Factory, studying journalism at Otago University and flatting and partying with Eva and Katie. **Tahlia B***

“Something I have really enjoyed this year is making new friends and being part of the Student Council.”

Regan K



On Camp at Kaikoura we explored and found a KARAKA tree and took a picture beside it. What a beautiful tree !



*In term 2 we did debating in class and some people were in teams to compete against other schools in North Canterbury. **Fred***



*Winning the North Canterbury Debating competition was a high light of my year **Rommel***



*Kowhai class explored how to create and structure a fairy tale. We published and illustrated them and then we shared our fantastic fairytales so others could enjoy our hard work! **Rowan and Hunter***



*Great explorers earn R.I.S.E. Time in Kowhai Class by being organised, finishing work, doing our home learning and showing our R.I.S.E. values. We did lots of fun activities. **Cody Mc and Sam E.***

EXPLORED



*In ten years time I will be a rugby player and playing in the Rugby World Cup. **Daniel H***



*We explored the Wigram Air-force Museum and learnt the history of the army and airforce. It was fun. **Neihana and Luke***



*In Kikorangi class we all learnt how to do marching, it was boring. **Charlie W***



*"This year I really enjoyed being in the Exploring Community because we got to do fitness every day." **Brooke***



*"I really enjoyed doing STEPS with Nicci." **Sophie W***



*We were lucky enough to have the Canterbury Rams come and coach us for basketball. **April K***



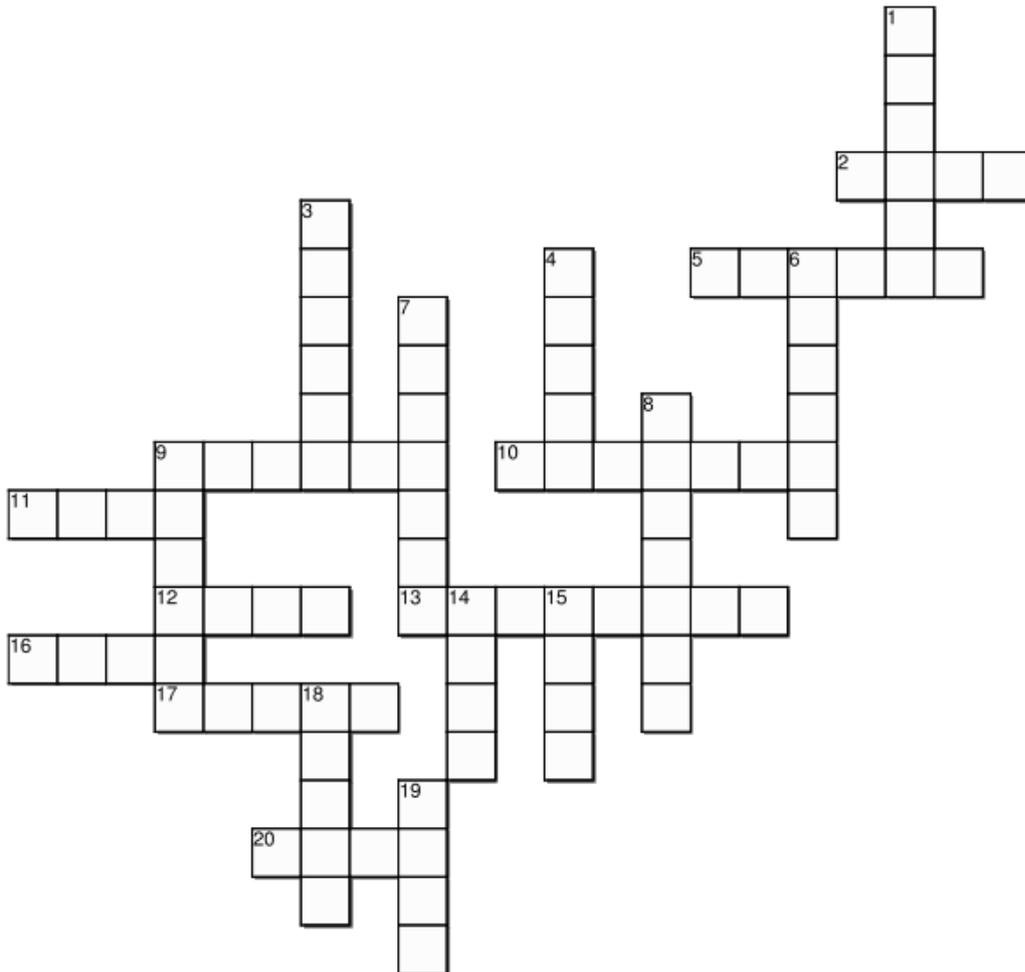
This year we explored SOLO. Having SOLO gave us thinking challenges to work towards, which is good for our learning. It gets us to think and then relate our ideas together, and even come up with new ideas.

Jess and Rachael.

Name: _____

Year 8 2015

Use the clues to find out the Year 8 students of 2015



Created on TheTeachersCorner.net Crossword Maker

Across

2. Horse lover and a good swimmer
5. Plays soccer and comes from Waipara
9. Awesome at soccer and is going to Boys High
10. He is sporty and awesome at rugby
11. She is part fish and is really sporty
12. Great musician and has a pacemaker
13. Family of 5 and a true blonde
16. She is good at maths and likes her IPod
17. He loves trucks and lives on a farm
20. Loves his phone and likes rapping

Down

1. Lives in Amberly and she is really tall
3. Loves Minecraft and likes trading cards
4. She likes basketball and is super tidy
6. A fast runner and likes hi IPad
7. A horse nutter and a good runner
8. Newbie from Waikari and has long black hair
9. Loves his Xbox and Playstation
14. She is new this year and she is awesome at debating
15. Lives on a pig farm and likes basketball
18. Good at basketball and likes soccer
19. New from Waikari and likes his phone

Year 8 saying goodbye!

Sadly Connor Wilson, Emma Schroder, Lulu Downes , Sarah Frizzell, Skye Marryatt and Hunter Pendeville are saying their last and final goodbyes to their friends and the Year 8 class. It has been a great year with you all. We wish you all the best for the future at your new school's.

Hunter spent 5 and a half years at HC and will be heading off to Cashmere High. Connor and Sarah started here as new entrants. Connor heads off to Christchurch boys high while Sarah heads off to St Margaret's. Lulu Downes has been at Hurunui College since aged 5 and heads off to Christchurch Girls High with Skye who spent her Year 8 year at Hurunui. Emma Schroder also started Hurunui as a new entrant and heads off to Rangiruru.

The Risky Year 8's!

When Georgia took on barbed wire!



At the start of the year Georgia fell off a fence onto barbed wire retrieving a ball from out of bounds! For her efforts she received 20 staples and 35 stiches in her right calf and left thigh. Also later on in the year she fractured her foot.



Luke's always injured!

At the start of the year Luke also had an operation to remove metal wear that was in his leg and ankle from a break that occurred last year. And then sustained a head injury from well... just not thinking straight!



Beau's Break!

In the middle of the year Beau broke his leg playing rugby. He spent a considerable amount of time on crutches and in a cast!



Ashleigh's Hamstring

Term 4 Ashleigh Hawley pulled her hamstring and was on crutches for two weeks.

Liam Marsh & his heart



Liam travelled to Auckland to have surgery again in November. Something a long the lines of his 10th operation so far!



SCHOOL DIARY

2 February, Day 1, Term 1



5 February, Tabloid Sports

On 5th February it was the Hurunui College tabloid sports. There were 16 teams and four houses: four teams per house. We started off with singing happy birthday to Mr Beck. Then we did the house chants. There are lots of activities including tyre stack, plank walking, tug of war and water slide. The overall winner was Sumner, second place was Mason, then Sheppard, then Taylor came in fourth. It was a very enjoyable experience and we are sure everyone is looking forward to next year's tabloids. *By Jake Topp & Sean Hassall, Year 7*

12 February, Secondary Swimming Sports

The weather was ideal this year for the Hurunui College senior swimming sports. Well done to all the students who participated, it was great to see everyone in the spirit of things, earning valuable house competition points. We held the butterfly and medley events on Wednesday 11th February. The overall house points this year were: 1st Sumner, 2nd Mason, 3rd Sheppard and 4th Taylor

We had a number of records broken this year. This is always great to see and what a wonderful effort from the following students:

Emma Schroder: U12.5 Girls Freestyle (2 lengths), Butterfly (1 length), Backstroke Open (4 lengths), Backstroke (2 lengths), Breaststroke (2 lengths).

Caleb Beck: U15 Boys (1 length) Butterfly, U15 (2 lengths) Breaststroke, U15 Medley (3 lengths)

Corban Painter. U16 Boys (2 lengths) butterfly.



Hurunui College Senior Swimming Results:

Under 12.5 Girls	1 st : Emma Schroder 2 nd Lucy Frame
Under 14 girls	1 st : Zoe Watson 2 nd Charlotte Cassidy
Under 15 girls	1 st : Krista Vernal 2 nd Ashleigh Lintott
Under 16 girls	1 st : Jamie-Lee Barnes 2 nd India Garden-Young
Senior Girls	1 st : Ashleigh Beck 2 nd Nisha Jolliffe

Under 12.5 boys	1 st Louie Bethell 2 nd Connor Wilson
Under 14 boys	1 st Hamish Stackhouse 2 nd = Morgan Bailey/Hunter Prendeville
Under 15 boys	1 st Caleb Beck 2 nd Samuel Hassall
Under 16 boys	1 st : Corban Painter 2 nd Flynn Crean
Senior Boys	1 st : Ricki Allan 2 nd Jake Collins

13 February, Agriculture students trip to Lincoln University Foundation South Island Farmer of the Year winner's field day, at Patoa Farm



16 February, Hurunui College Triathlon

Well done to all the competitors that took part in the Hurunui College triathlon. The *seniors* run 2km (twice around the domain), cycle 11km (to Masons Flat Garage) and swim 10 lengths. *Juniors: Age 9 and 10 year old:* Run 2km (twice around the domain), cycle 2.5km, and swim 3 lengths, the *Juniors Age 11 and 12 year old:* Run 2km (twice around the domain), cycle 5km (Inches Gate) and swim 5 lengths.

Thanks to the parents who came along and assisted with the running of this event. We are always grateful to have extra hands on deck with these events.

Results are as follows:

Junior Girl Age 9 and 10yr:	Individual	1 st	Lucy Frame
		2 nd	Millie Hassall
Junior Girl Age 11 and 12yr:	Individual	1 st	Emma Schroder
		2 nd	Georgia Costello
Senior Girl – Individual		1 st	Alex Earl
		2 nd	Krista Vernal
Senior Boy – Individual		1 st	Isaac Hassall
		2 nd	Josh Collins
Junior Boy Age 9 and 10yr:	Individual	1 st	Nathan Kay
		2 nd	Fred Calder
Junior Boy Age 11 and 12yr:	Individual	1 st	Charlee Barrett
		2 nd	Connor Wilson
Junior Team (Mixed) Age 9 and 10yr:		1 st :	Daniel Hawley, Jack Zino, Sam Hunter-Weston
		2 nd :	Jackson Van der Meer, Angus Zino
Junior Team (Mixed) Age 11 and 12yr:		1 st :	Michael Courto, Hayden Thornley, Guy Jensen
		2 nd :	Hunter Prendeville, Caleb Norton
Senior Team (Mixed)		1 st :	Nathan Hawley, Fletcher Earl, Jamie-Lee Barnes
		2 nd :	Miriam Clark, Jake Collins, Ashleigh Beck

17 February, Level 2 and 3 Geography Field Trip to the Waitohi River

With Canterbury experiencing a drought it was probably expected that we would get a beautiful day to conduct our river research....and so we did....30 odd degrees celcius in the shade; by lunchtime!

Our aim was to collect primary data from the field in order to complete our research assessments for NCEA. In class we had split into our two year-level groups and had already established an aim and hypothesis which we were going to focus our data collection on. Both groups were hoping to prove that ‘fluvial processes create variations along the Waitohi River.’

We started out at site 1, Black Hut, at about 9.10am. In class we had decided it was important to collect river bed composition data, do a cross section, measure the velocity, stream bed and wetted perimeter, and estimate the internal and external friction. Of course this meant sharing equipment and the river!! Being so early in the morning and surrounded by vegetation it was only the hardy souls who volunteered to be the person/s standing in the river catching the ping pong ball (velocity test) or wading across the stream calling out the depth. This process involved having your head close to the water reading the metre ruler (cross section). Without a doubt the most preferred option at this stage was to be the recorder or photographer!

By site 2 we were finding a workable rhythm between the groups, although the metre ruler was often in high demand. The sun was now beginning to shine brightly and the prospect of being in the river was more appealing...unfortunately it was about here the signs of the drought were also becoming apparent and there was less river to wade in to. Of course this was a bonus in some ways as the signs of variation were now beginning to show. Luckily site 2 offered a perfect location for a snack before moving on to site 3 as Elbert does require frequent refreshments!

Originally site 3 was going to be at the upper Medbury bridge but there was not a trickle to be found there so we had to change venues and continue on to the lower Medbury bridge where luckily the river had once again made an appearance. By now it was 12.30 and we decided to have a bite to eat, discuss how the collection process was going and of course a chinwag! When we got back to work we were quite adept at completing each test so we were finished in record time. This meant that we were then able to return to school by 2.30pm and begin processing our data.

A great day was had by all and the bonus was that we had enough data to 'sink a battleship.'

19 February, Primary Swimming Sports

We managed to hold our Primary Swimming Sports in ideal conditions. Thank you to all the parents that so willingly come along and help with these events, it is always appreciated.

Overall results were as follows:

Year 4 and under boys:	1 st	Flynn Ginders
	2 nd	Riley Abbott
Year 4 and under girls:	1 st	Sophie Wright
	2 nd	Neve Cassidy
Year 5/6 Boys:	1 st	Geordie Hassall
	2 nd	Josh Gunn
Year 5/6 girls:	1 st	Olivia Frame
	2 nd	Millie Hassall

Overall house points were:

1st Taylor, 2nd Sumner, 3rd Sheppard, 4th Mason



20 February, North Canterbury Friday Night Junior Basketball

This year we entered four teams into this competition which started on 20 February. Two Year 5/6 teams and two Years 7/8 teams as follows:

Hurunui Hustlers: Yr 5/6: *Tablia Beck, April Kelly, Fred Calder, Katie Gunn, Rommel Wilson, Sam Hunter-Weston, Jack Tweed, Jack Zino, Charlie Woelders.* Coach: Paula Beck, Manager: Lucy Hunter-Weston

Hurunui Hoopsters: Yr 5/6: *Olivia Frame, Josh Gunn, Jakob Pascoe, Angus Zino, Brianna Hodgen, Chevannah Smith, Georgie Bethell, Ella Ferguson, Jackson Van der Meer*

Coach: Bronwyn Gunn/ Anna Van der Meer, Manager: Wendy Hodgen/Jenny Banks

Hurunui Hotshots: Yr 7/8: *Connor Wilson, Caleb Norton, Sarah Frizzell, Archer Pascoe, Ashley Burnett, Lulu Downes, Hunter Prendeville, Michael Courto, Sean Hassall.*

Coach: Sam Wilson, Manager: Sam Pascoe

Hurunui Hurricanes: Yr 7/8: *Yasmin Sparks, Lucy Frame, Abby Devine, Roddy Murchison, Liam Cassidy, Louie Bethell, Anthony Reed, Logan Dunn, Jordan Dunn, Nik McMullan*

Coach: Henry Earl/Samuel Hassall, Manager: Sarah Cassidy

Thank you all to the willing coaches/managers and the students, you all performed incredibly well.

This year as a result from having so many keen basketballers at all levels throughout the school, we managed to gain the services of some Canterbury Rams players for an 8 week skills sessions. A number of students attended these sessions and gained some valuable skills.

23 February, CCHS Swimming Sports

Following on from our senior swimming sports, we had a very enthusiastic team of 16 students that competed at Dudley Park, Rangiora for this year's championships. We managed to break a few records on the day thanks to Emma Schroder and the Girls U12.5 Girls Medley relay of Rosa Adam, Emma Schroder and Lucy Frame.

This event is always run by Hurunui College, so it was fantastic to have the parental support helping with the running of this event. Thanks to our parents Paula Beck, Bert Schroder, Jo Hassall, Michelle McKinnel, Bridget Frame, Jo Adam, Sarah Cassidy for assisting with the smooth running of this day.

The CCHS swim team was: Louie Bethell, Michael Courto, Lucy Frame, Guy Jensen, Hayden Thornley, Rosa Adam, Emma Schroder, Connor Wilson (Injured), Morgan Biley, Caleb Beck, Charlotte Cassidy, Ashleigh Lintott, Krista Vernal, Corban Painter, Ashleigh Beck, Fern Booker, Jamie-Lee Barnes, Fraser Lintott.

I went to CCHS for swimming. My events were 50 metres backstroke, 50 metres freestyle and the relay for the 14 year old girls. In my events I placed 3rd, 2nd and 2nd. The next step was the Canterbury's in Rolleston. I was only entered in one event which was my 50 metres backstroke. I placed 4th in my heat which I was really proud of. *By Rosa Adam*

I went to CCHS swimming. My events were 50 metres backstroke ,freestyle ,butterfly ,breaststroke and 4x50 free relay. I competed in the 12year old girls and for the relay I was in the 14 year old girls. In all my events except the relay I got 1st and records. In the relay Charlotte , Rosa , Lucy and I got 2nd. I also went to Canterbury's at the Rolleston pool. My events were 50 metres backstroke and 50 metres freestyle. In the 50 metres backstroke I placed 2nd in my heat and 6th overall. In the 50 free I placed 3rd in my heat and 8th overall.
By *Emma Schroder*

On the 23rd February 2015 I went to Dudley Pool in Rangoria for combined Country High Schools (CCHS) Swimming. I went for 50m backstroke, freestyle and breaststroke. My places were 1st in freestyle (39.01), 1st in backstroke (47.70), 1st in breaststroke(52.50,1st in 150m medley relay(2.31.40) and 1st in 4x50m freestyle relay (2.50.55s). By *Louie Bethell*

24 February, HPSSA Triathlon

This event is held in Hanmer Springs annually for students in Years 5-8. This is for individuals only. The 9 and 10 year olds have to swim 50mtrs, cycle 2.5km, and run 2km. The 11 and 12+ year olds have to swim 50 metres, cycle 5km, and run 2km.

The following students had a great day, and once again we would like to thank the parents for helping with transport.

Olivia Frame, Lucy Frame, Lulu Downes, Fred Calder, Angus Zino, Liam Cassidy, Josh Gunn, Michael Courto, Louie Bethell, Guy Jensen, Millie Hassall, Nathan Kay, Jackson Van der Meer, Archer Pascoe, Jakob Pascoe, Emma Schroder, Charlie Woelders, Rommel Wilson, Maggie Ferguson, Ella Ferguson.

25 February, Constable Ken, Bus Safety

25 February, John Parson, Digital Citizenship



3 March, HPSSA Zones

Following on from our swimming sports some students then competed in the Hurunui Primary Schools Swimming Association zones at Hawarden on Tuesday 3 March.

They were: Riley Abbott, Rosa Adam, Skye Alldred, Tahlia Beck, Georgie Bethell, Louie Bethell, Fred Calder, Liam Cassidy, Neve Cassidy, Georgia Costello, Michael Courto, Lulu Downes, Sam Earl, Ella Ferguson, Maggie Ferguson, Jessica Fincham, Lucy Frame, Olivia Frame, Sarah Frizzell, Flynn Ginders, Josh Gunn, Katie Gunn, Geordie Hassall, Millie Hassall, Sean Hassall, Gus Hodgen, Sam Hunter-Weston, Guy Jensen, Nathan Kay, Regan Kay, April Kelly, Archer Pascoe, Emma Schroder, Hayden Thornley, Daniel Topp, Jackson Van der Meer, Connor Wilson, Rommel Wilson, Charlie Woelders, Sophie Wright, Angus Zino.

Congratulations to all these students who made it through to the next level.

4 March, CCHS Athletics

This year we travelled by cars down to Rawhiti Domain in Christchurch on Wednesday 4th March. We would like to thank all the parents who assisted with transport, timing and supporting your children. It is much appreciated.

The team was: Georgia Costello, Zoe Watson, Briar Sparks, Chantelle White, Ashleigh Lintott, Holly Crean, Tessa Allan, Hayley Spencer, India Garden-Young, Archer Pascoe, Michael Courto, Louie Bethell, Hunter Prendeville, Caleb Beck, Henry Earl, Jackson Bau, Blair Wilkins, Corban Painter, Blair Norton, Fletcher Earl, Nathan Hawley, Isaac Hassall, Caleb McMullan, Nik McMullan, Jess Vernal, Krista Vernal, Willow Vernal, Emma Schroder, Hayden Thornley, Charlotte Cassidy, Liam Cassidy, Guy Jensen, Jake Collins, Nisha Jolliffe. A huge congratulations to Nathan Hawley who also qualified for the next level of competition, to compete in Nelson. Unfortunately Nathan was unable to make this.

On the 4th March 2015 at New Brighton, Christchurch several high schools from around Canterbury attended the Year 7 to 13 Athletics day. The events we did were high jump, long jump, triple jump ,shot put, javelin, discus, 100m, 400m, 800m, 1000m, 1200m and 1500m. It was a good day and there was some good results. Every one enjoyed it. By *Archer Pascoe*

6 March, Ugly Shakespeare - Hamlet



10-12 March, Year 9 Camp Windy Point



12 March, EcoBlitz Follow Up Workshop

13 March, Level 1 Geography Field Trip

The amazing Level 1 Geo class comprising: Jamie Lee Barnes, Miriam Clark and Skyla Squires set off for Hanmer with Mrs Costello to investigate what effects tourism has on the natural and cultural environment of Hanmer Springs. We had several tasks to complete which would hopefully help us identify both positive and negative effects on this alpine village. Firstly we had to conduct 3 traffic surveys at different time periods during the day. This was to establish what type of vehicles came to Hanmer and at what times. Environmental surveys were also completed to see how much rubbish, noise and air pollution there was in 3 different locations. Then we had fun interviewing people on the street as well as talking to retail assistants to see what views they had. This is where Jamie Lee's ability to speak German came in handy as she could talk to several tourists who had difficulty communicating in English! They were so surprised to hear their native tongue being spoken by a local school girl!!! Mrs Costello had also arranged for us to meet with the local librarian so she could tell us what life is like for the locals and how tourism affects them. This was really interesting as she told us both the good and the bad and some things we would never have thought about ourselves. Lastly, we had to draw a précis sketch of the main street which we could include with our final assessment. It was an awesome day out. The weather was beautiful, the atmosphere relaxed and everyone was really helpful. Then it was back to school to put together our findings for our assessment. Going on a field trip makes learning so much easier as you get to see and experience the context so writing up findings is easy. Just another fun day in Geography!

15 March, Weeybix Triathlon



17 March,
Discovery Trip to
Wigram



17 March, Canterbury Athletics Prelims
18 March, Exploring Trip to Wigram
21 March, Hawarden Show
26 March, NZ Defence Force Bus

27 March, Backing the Black Caps Mufti Day
(Vanuatu Fundraiser)



27 March, Ag students to SIAFD
30 March, Canterbury Dressage

30 March, CPS Championships,

A group of 11 students gained a place in the Canterbury Primary Swimming Championships at Selwyn Aquatic Centre in Rolleston. They were Olivia Frame, Fred Calder, Lucy Frame, Rommel Wilson, Emma Schroder, Louie Bethell, Angus Zino, Millie Hassall, Hayden Thornley, Rosa Adam, and Connor Wilson.

31 March-2 April, CASAfest at RNLS

CASAfest this year was held at Rangiora New Life School. This event is held annually where Oxford, Amuri, Cheviot, Rangiora New Life and Akaroa compete and have a turn at hosting. The students all performed well and in the spirit of CASAfest which was: respect for the game and its rules, respect for the officials and acceptance of decisions, respect for the opponent, concern for equal opportunity, and maintenance of dignity under all circumstances.

Each year during CASAfest staff and co-ordinators look for examples of fair-play. They are then recorded and at the end, the school with the most awards is presented with a cup. This year Hurunui College won. Well done everyone. The students who went this year were:

Senior Boys: Marcus White, Ricki Allan, Issac Hassall, Jake Collins, Flynn Crean, Fletcher Earl, Blair Norton, Corban Painter, Nathan Hamley, Tom Ruck, Damien Watson, Fraser Lintott

Junior Boys: Blair Wilkins, Jackson Bau, George Wilkins, Henry Earl, Samuel Hassall, Caleb Beck, Matthew Garside

Senior Girls: Nisha Jolliffe, Alex Earl, Danielle Hoban, Jess Vernal, Levanna Williamson, Willow Vernal, Rachel Garside, Ashleigh Beck, Jamie-Lee Barnes, Chantelle White, Miriam Clark, Thea Tabayoyong

Junior Girls: India Garden-Young, Cherie Sutherland, Ashleigh Lintott, Krista Vernal, Asra Ginders, Tessa Allan, Holly Crean, Zoe Watson, Charlotte Cassidy

2 April, End of Term 1

6-11 April, NZASA Leadership

14-16 April, Hawdon Valley to Arthurs Pass Kiwi Catching

Day 1- Tuesday 14th April

Today at 12.30pm we set off for Arthur's Pass to get ready for the next day of catching kiwis. Because of the early snow fall a couple of days previously, our team of four stopped on Porter's Pass to touch the first snow of the year and to have a bit of fun with the traditional snow ball fight. Once arriving at the alpine village of Arthur's Pass we met the rest of the kiwi catching team and got an in depth briefing from the head coordinator Sandy Yong. We then got sorted into accommodation and had a hearty meal of beef curry piled on rice before setting alarms to 6am and going off to get a good night's sleep ready for the big day.

Day 2- Wednesday 15th April

We were all up by 6.30am after a cold night. We ate breakfast, packed our lunches/day packs and set off to the entrance of the Hawdon Valley all before 7.30am. We got another briefing from Sandy and set off in our mini groups to different locations of the valley to go after the kiwi allocated for each group. The kiwi handlers allocated to each group were quad biked up the valley to start to get beeps (using an aerial and receiver) to give us an idea of where each bird was located in its territory on the mountain. The first obstacle for us volunteers was braving the freezing Hawdon River less than 5 minutes along the track. Once crossed we trudged up the frozen river bed, following a quad bike track, the cool frosty air biting at any exposed flesh. We met the kiwi handlers further up the valley. After a quick snack, we started to bush bash up the mountain in the direction of where the strongest signals were coming from each bird. Some of the kiwi were located in tricky places where there was snow, windfalls and bush lawyer. This meant that the bird was not accessible which means that it did a runner. Luckily the birds that ran didn't run very far and were able to successfully settle in a more accessible burrow which meant that we could catch them. After catching the birds, new transmitters were put on them (transmitters are put on them so we can track their activeness during the day/night which can be helpful when in the breeding season as it can determine if they are sitting on an egg etc). They were then weighed and put into catch bags ready to be taken off the mountain. We then carried the birds down to the river flats where the quad bikes arrived for a pick up. The birds were then put into transport boxes ready for transportation to the Nina Valley, Lewis Pass. The day was very successful as we were able to translocate a total of six birds. The sun was going down so we headed back to our accommodation and had another hearty meal, this time being spaghetti bolognese. After warming up by the fire and after playing several rounds of cards, our exhausted team headed to bed ready for the travel home the following day.

Day 3- Thursday 16th April

Today we got another early start. We had breakfast, packed up and tidied our accommodation before leaving for our home town of Hawarden. On the way we stopped at Castle Hill and went for a quick early morning walk to look at the scenic rock formations. We then stopped in Rangiora to drop off some gear at the Department of Conservation office before carrying on home after a very successful trip.

Miriam Clark, Year11, Hurunui College Nina Valley Restoration Group

16 April, Wild to Wild kiwi release from the Hawdon Valley to the Nina Valley

The Hurunui College Nina Valley Restoration Group is a school conservation group that has existed since 2008. The group consists of students aged 11 to 18 who do all of the work in their free time. We adopted the Nina Valley as our own and established over 20km of trapping lines there. The lines are checked every two to three weeks, in addition to monitoring kiwi and blue duck in the valley. We have been reintroducing kiwi to the valley since 2010, with the aim of creating a sustainable breeding population of 40 birds.

On Thursday 16th April the Wild to Wild kiwi release from the Hawdon Valley to the Nina Valley took place. Bad weather had delayed the release by a week, but we were fortunate to get great weather on the day.

Our group had been split into two, with some of our more experienced student members sent to the Hawdon Valley to capture the kiwis that were earmarked for translocation to the Nina. You can read about this in Miriam's account.

On the morning of the release we met up in Hurunui and car pooled to the Nina, arriving around 9:30. We tramped through to a clearing about 5km into the valley where the helicopter transporting the kiwi would land. Just before 12pm the helicopter arrived. We did not know how successful our group had been at catching up in the Hawdon, so were pleased to find three breeding pairs had been caught and transported safely here. Helicopters were used to take the kiwi from the road to the release sites, to ferry the media and dignitaries, and to bring in some new camp supplies for the Hurunui College Nina Valley Restoration Group. The rest of us walked! A large group assembled for a karakia prior to the release. The group consisted of Hurunui College Nina Valley Restoration Group members and their families, Department of Conservation staff, media, and representatives from other restoration groups in the area. The karakia related the Maori story of how the kiwi came to be flightless – a story which makes the kiwi so appropriate as our national symbol. Speeches were given by the head of the East Coast DOC area, and by Tim Kelly, the leader of the Hurunui College Nina Valley Restoration Group.

After the karakia the birds were taken to their new temporary burrows. Everybody had the opportunity to get a look at the kiwi close-up before they were released into holes under trees for the rest of the day.

The kiwi will be monitored every day for two weeks by Lincoln University post-graduate students to determine how they react to being placed in an unfamiliar environment; we are confident that they will settle in quickly. Next week we will release a further five kiwi when the weather forecast is more favourable. The kiwi, all of which are carrying transmitters, will continue to be monitored by Hurunui College Nina Valley Restoration Group members for the next two years. Thank you for your generous financial support which will help us reach our target of 40 kiwis, and restore the native biodiversity of the Nina Valley.



20 April, Day 1, Term 2

Term 2, School Tennis Competition

School Tennis competition was held through the lunch times, in Term 2

The following students competed:

Senior Boys (Year 9-13): Douglas Quigley, Ricki Allan, Elbert Alcantara, Isaac Hassall

Senior Girls (Year 9-13): Tessa Allan, Ashleigh Beck, Jess Vernal

Junior Boys: up to Year 8: Neihana Hoeta-Smith, Connor Wilson, Rommel Wilson, Martin Quigley, Jack Zino, Archer Pascoe, Sean Hassall, Louie Bethell, Hayden Thornley, Liam Cassidy

Junior Girls: up to Year 8: Millie Hassall, Sarah Frizzell, Emma Schroder, Lucy Frame

Congratulations to the following students who won their grade:

Junior Girls: Millie Hassall

Senior Girls: Tessa Allan

Junior Boys: Connor Wilson

Senior Boys: Ricki Allan

22 April, Year 11-13 History to Rangiora Players

23 April, Otago Problem Challenge

25 April, ANZAC Day

Saturday's ANZAC commemorations were truly memorable. The dawn service at The Peaks was very well attended and as the early signs of dawn emerged, it beautifully framed the emotions of the morning and silhouetted the foreground of the riders and their horses. This was a wonderful service and a very fitting tribute to the sacrifices made by the Canterbury Mounted Rifleman, the local community and those from across New Zealand that went to serve our country 100 years ago. The following service in Waikari was also outstanding. The numbers that attended were exceptional and it was great to see so many from the school community

involved in what was a once in a lifetime opportunity. To be part of something so special will be remembered for many years to come. I must congratulate the, "100 Horses 100 Years" committee for putting the commemorations together and understand the degree of collaboration that was needed for it to all come together on the day. SB



Photo by Val Simpson



ANZAC Student Work

Letters Home, writing by Kowhai Class

Dear my long lost love, Mary Anne,

The digging here certainly wears a man down. The conditions are appalling. The sergeant commands us to bombard at first light, but all the men have lost their morale. The horses have slightly better conditions than us, but still very bad conditions. The farriers are too hard to find so we are forced to shoe our own horses. Some even had to shoot their own horses because they were sick. It makes me feel sick inside. The rumours foretell that the Turks are planning a surprise attack, Christmas Eve. Can you get me some of the cotton socks so that it reduces the chance of me getting trench foot. Trench foot is ghastly. The sergeant who was commanding our company got hit in the shoulder, so he bled to death. I have to go and take care of my horse, so I will sign off. I love you so

much xxx

You are forever on my mind, love always, David Victor Boyd.

Written by Jakob Pascoe

October 1915

To my dearest daughter Lizzy,

How are you at home? Is everything going good? I hope you have been a good girl by helping your mother with jobs. I really wish I could be back at home with you from this dreadful war. I still decided to write so I could have a little rest, also to tell you how me and my mates are going.

I am having a quick drink with my best mate Franklin before we have a kip in the big noisy trench. Anyway, about the trenches, they are like rats nests. There are soldiers lying everywhere and packages of ammunition. For dinner last night we had bullybeef stew like always. I'm getting quite tired of the same thing each night. I really could do with some of your delicious biscuits. Each day I've been losing more of my friends. The smell is revolting inside and outside the trenches but it will have to do for as long as we're staying here for. As we sit in the trenches we hear sounds of bombs over head of our troops and guns being fired every second. I don't have much time to eat because we have to do so much fighting. Anyway, Happy Sixteenth Birthday and I'm sorry I wasn't there for it. I just didn't know when our troops were going to leave. I hope I can see you soon enough.

From your beloved father, Jim.

Written by Jessica Fincham

October 1915

My dearest daughter Poppy

How are things at home? I hope you have been helping your mother out on the farm. Right now I am sitting staring at the horses. They are nothing like the horses are back at the farm. They are big and as tough as rocks. Today we are digging trenches in the hot sand. I think they are going to drop some eggs today so we are preparing to take cover. The other day when we were riding the horses John dropped from his dappled grey mare onto the golden sand. I felt terrible and sick about the feeling of being shot. The weather over here is like we have been sitting in an oven for the last couple of months. Life in the trenches is not what I imagined. For dinner most nights we have Bully Beef stew. The trenches are full with rats and there are big black flies everywhere. We don't get much sleep either.

As soon as this silly war is over I will be back home riding over the hills with you again. I hope you liked the model of a horse I got for you from a market in Cairo. I hear you are entering in your pony club jumping competition on Prince. Good luck young lassie. All I wish is that I could be at home with you and your mother and brother eating your famous chocolate cake.

The water over here is so limited. We all only get two bottles of water a week and it tastes terrible. Uncle Frank is sitting beside me writing to your cousin May. You take good care of your mother for me and I promise I will be back home before Christmas.

Lots of hugs and kisses, your loving father, Sergeant Oliver Bethel xoxo

Written by Georgie Bethell



28 April - 1 May, Life Education Bus

29 April, CASA Showjumping Day: Flaxton Equestrian Centre

This event was run by Amuri School and we sent the following students Holly Crean, Jakob Pascoe and Taylor Painter in a team made up with Phoebe Steel. They were 2nd overall in points out of 6 teams.

30 April, Debating, Year 6-8 vs Waipara

3-4 May, NZAS Trials at Tapawera

We sent a team of eight to the Top Of The South trials at Tapawera. The team consisted of the following students: *Ashleigh Beck, Isaac Hassall, Marcus White, Damien Watson, Blair Norton, Flynn Crean, Fletcher Earl and Caleb Beck.*

Congratulations to the following students who were selected for the New Zealand Area schools tournament that was held in Whanganui from Monday 6th July to Thursday 9th of July.

Ashleigh Beck: Netball/Basketball

Marcus White: Rugby

Damien Watson: Rugby

Isaac Hassall: Football

Flynn Crean: Basketball

Fletcher Earl: Rugby

Caleb Beck: Rugby



They would like to thank everyone who supported them with their fundraising efforts sausage sizzles, cheese rolls, easyorder etc etc and the sponsorship for

The News (paper).

All the students then went on and gained selection in to the Top of the South teams in their relevant sports, from the trials at Whanganui. A special mention to Marcus White who then gained selection into the New Zealand Area Schools rugby team. He then went on to play games in the North Island on 25th August.

7 May,

CASA Art Day

7 May, Careers Expo

8 May, Friday Night Basketball starts

This year we entered three teams into this competition which is held on Friday nights, travelling into Christchurch. The competition started on Friday 8th May and ran until 28th August.

Senior Boys team: Isaac Hassall, Nathan Hawley, Corban Painter, Flynn Crean, Fletcher Earl, Blair Norton, Tom Ruck, Damien Watson

Coach: Anne Costello, Manager: Meagan Stanley-Brown

Thanks to Alex Hall and Sean Ryan again this year for stepping in when needed for refereeing.





Senior Girls team: Nisha Jolliffe, Willow Vernal, Krista Vernal, Jess Vernal, Ashleigh Beck, Levanna Williamson, Aimee Stowell, India Garden-Young, Chantelle White

Coach: Steve Beck, Manager: Toni Jolliffe

Junior Boys team: Douglas Quigley, Hamish Stackhouse, Josh Collins, Jackson Bau, Caleb Beck, Henry Earl, Samuel Hassall

Coach: Paula Beck, Manager: Katrina Quigley

11 May, School Photos

13 May, Debating, Team 3 vs Leithfield School



13 May, Hurunui College Cross Country

The Cross Country was held for Year 1-13 students in the school. It was great to see so many compete this year, along with some keen parents; some valuable house points were gained. We would like to thank Richard and Mez Power and Bede and Neroli Crean for the use of their land and also the Hawarden Golf Club, without these facilities so close we would have to transport students elsewhere. This is a 4km course for all Year 4-13 students.

Overall house points: 1st Taylor, 2nd Sheppard and Mason/Sumner 3rd equal.

Senior Boys: Year 7-13: 1st Todd Wilkins, 2nd Blair

Wilkins, 3rd Josh Collins

Senior Girls: Year 7-13: 1st Miriam Clark, 2nd Tessa Allan, 3rd Georgia Costello

Year 4-6 Boys: 1st Joseph Clark (first boy overall), 2nd Jakob Pascoe, 3rd Fred Calder

Year 4-6 Girls: 1st Millie Hassall, 2nd Eva Marrayatt, 3rd Reagan Kay

Junior Boys: Year 3: (1.7km) 1st Andrew Fincham, 2nd Flynn Ginders, 3rd Thomas Barnes

Junior Girls: Year 3: (1.7km) 1st Katie Keeble, 2nd Skye Alldred, 3rd Taylor-Jayne Dymock

Junior Boys: Year 0-2: (1.3km) 1st Blake Earl, 2nd Harry Giller, 3rd Manny Crichton

Junior Girls: Year 0-2: (1.3km) 1st Sophie Thompson, 2nd Libby Ginders, 3rd Grace McKnight

14 May, Red, White and Blue Mufti Day Support Nepal

15 May, Gifted and Talented Sec Students Conference

19 May, HPSSA Cross Country

Hurunui Primary Zone Cross Country this year was held at Sidey's farm in Waikari. The following students who did particularly well from our own school cross country were:

Year 4 girls: Reagan Kay, Jessie McMullan

Year 4 boys: Ollie Zino, Luke Chisnall, Seth Smith, Gus Hodggen

Year 5 girls: Georgie Bethel, Jessica Fincham, Ella Ferguson, Maggie Ferguson

Year 5 boys: Jakob Pascoe, Jackson Van der Meer, Caleb Spencer, Geordie Hassall, Josh Gunn

Year 6 girls: Millie Hassall, Eva Marryatt, April Kelly, Tahlia Beck

Year 6 boys: Joseph Clark, Fred Calder, Rommel Wilson, Nathan Kay

Year 7 girls: Lucy Frame, Abby Devine, Shakira Cameron

Year 7 boys: Michael Courto, Archer Pascoe, Liam Henderson, Sean Hassall

Year 8 girls: Georgia Costello, Emma Schroder, Lulu Downes, Skye Marryatt, Sarah Frizzell

Year 8 boys: Hunter Prendeville, Connor Wilson, Charlee Barrett, Quan Quirke



Their results from the Hurunui Primary Zone Cross Country in Waikari for the top 6 runners in each age group were as follows:

Year 5 girls: Jessica Fincham (1st), Ella Ferguson (4th)

Year 5 boys: Jakob Pascoe (1st), Geordie Hassall (6th)

Year 6 girls: Millie Hassall (2nd), Eva Marryatt (3rd)

Year 6 boys: Joseph Clark (2nd)

Year 7 boys: Michael Courto (2nd), Archer Pascoe (3rd)

Year 8 girls: Georgia Costello (1st), Emma Schroder (4th)

Year 8 boys: Hunter Prendeville (1st), Connor Wilson (6th)

21 May, Otago Problem Challenge

23 May, Year 11-13 Art Trip to Design and Arts College Open Day

23 May, Rockquest

27 May, Sunflowers Preschool Visit

27 May, Debating vs Ashley

5 June, PTA Disco



10 June, CPSSA Cross Country

Those students who performed well at the Hurunui Primary Zone Cross Country were selected to go to the **Canterbury Primary Schools Cross Country Championships** at the Halswell Quarry

A few students were unable to attend due to injury or simply didn't want to compete at this higher level. Their results are as follows:

Year 5 girls: Jessica Fincham 25, Ella Ferguson 105 out of 123
 Year 5 Boys: Jakob Pascoe 42nd out of 126
 Year 6 Girls: Millie Hassall 69th, Eva 70th out of 123
 Year 7 Boys: Archer Pascoe 94th out of 124
 Year 8 Girls: Emma Schroder 104th out of 117
 Year 8 Boys: Hunter Prendeville 37th, Connor Wilson 102 out of 113

18 June, Inter-school Chess Competition Year 7-8 team

18 June, Year 12 Physics at Canterbury University for radioactivity workshop

22 June, Rata Room visit to Compass FM Radio Station

The Rata Room went to local radio station, Compass FM in Rangiora. There we met the presenters and technicians who showed us all the machines used to broadcast from the studio to the North Canterbury area. We even recorded our own jingle for them to use. *Dan Marlow*

When I went to 104.9 Compass FM, I sat and then got up and looked at the panel of the studio. The red on air sign means the light bulbs turned on and that is good because I have to be quiet. Listen to the radio on 104.900 kilowatts inside the station at 6 watts, and then boosted to 166 kilowatts so that it can be expanded up on the top of Mt Grey, which is higher than the Sugar Loaf. It has stereo and RDS with the name Compass 'The Voices of North Canterbury'. I recorded a segment saying this, "I'm one of the many voices of North Canterbury on 104.9 Compass FM. *By Brodie Shepherd*

25 June, Otago Problem Challenge

25 June, Year 4-8 Speech Competition

At the end of term two the Years 4-8 competed in a speech competition. All classes, except the Year 8 class chose persuasive speeches. It was a lot of fun learning about what is persuasive writing. Each class had their own speech competition and three students were selected to go through. The participants were: YR 3: Ella Richards YR 4: Hunter Catormole, Cindy Smith-Collings Reagan Kay YR 5: Bri Hodgson, Jessica Fincham, Jai



Year 6

1st Eva Marryatt

Bacteria around the school

2nd Fred Calder

Keeping cut flowers

3rd Rommell Wilson

Dunking biscuits

4th Jack Zino

Lung Capacity

5th Nathan Kay

Urea on Grass Growth

Year 7

1st Guy Jensen

Which type of wood hits a ball the best.

2nd Roddy Murchison

Which Grass grows the fastest?

3rd Jacob Pascoe

What happens to an egg in water/ salty water.

4th Callum Clausen

Magnetic Metal

5th Beth Hicks

Which fizzy has the most sugar?

Year 8

1st = Connor Wilson

Saving Sandwich Slices

&

1st = Skye Marryatt

Smash Trash

3rd Georgia Costello

Muffin Soda

4th Beau Doughty

Fear

5th Lulu Downes

Sugar Rush.

Marryatt YR 6: Eva Marryatt, Rommel Wilson, Katie Gunn Y7: Callum



Clausen, Bill Baily, Guy Jensen, Michael Courto, Abby Devine Y8: Skye Marryatt, Sarah Frizzel,

Connor Wilson, Lulu Downes, Luke Stern

It was a fantastic speech competition and below are the results for each year level. This year we have a 'Primary Oral Language' cup and it was awarded to Eva Marryatt, YR 6.

Results: YR 3: 1st Ella Richards YR 4: 1st Hunter Catormole 2nd Cindy Smith-Collings 3rd Reagan Kay YR 5: 1st Bri Hodgen 2nd Jai Marryatt 3rd Jess Ficham YR 6 1st Eva Marryatt 2nd Katie Gunn 3rd Rommel Wilson YR 7 1st Callum Clausen 2nd Bill Bailey 3rd Michael Courto 4th Guy Jensen 5th Abby Devine YR 8: 1st Connor Wilson 2nd Skye Marryatt & Sarah Frizzel 3rd Lulu Downes 4th Luke Stern
By Callum Clausen and Bill Bailey

26-27 June, Mad Hatters Tea Party Musical Production

Hopefully you have all managed to escape from Warn Noddle Asylum where Dr L Carrol explored the sanity of some familiar characters in this year's senior production. The performance, directed and written by Laura Biddlecombe, told the story of an intern Doctor that had been given a rather testing bunch of characters to help. With her sanity slowly being revealed throughout the performance Dr L Carrol helps everyone but loses her mind in the process. There was a wide number of students involved with this production and the support from parents and staff was massively appreciated.



30 June, Science Fair

Congratulations to all Year 6-8 students who participated in this year's Science Fair. You all did a superb job and worked super hard! The judges were very impressed with some of the great Science ideas and areas explored. A big thank you to our Judges Dr. Michelle Hawke, Dr. Sarah Zino and Mr Tim Kelly for their positive feedback and time given to come and judge our work.



The results



30 June, Year 0-7

Jump for June Skip-a-thon

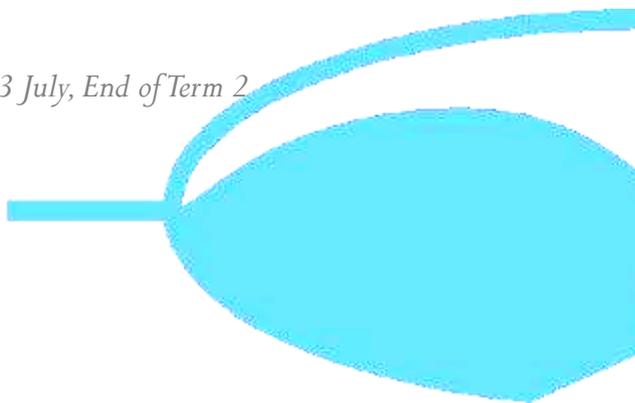
1-3 July, Year 12 OE Boyle Trip

Final, Primary Schools North Canterbury Debating Competition

The Primary Schools North Canterbury Debating Competition has been running for 16 years, since 1999. It has grown over the past few years in popularity and this year has had a record 34 teams entered in to the competition. It is a knockout competition and the initial moot for the first debate for all 34 teams was: ***'That it is better to live in the South Island than the North Island.'*** This event was proudly sponsored by Brandts-Giesen, McCormick Solicitors.

The final of the debating competition was held last night in the Waipara Community hall. Both teams were supported by the biggest audience ever seen at a final(approximately 80-90 people). The final debate was won by Hurunui College and Waipara Primary put up a strong case to make this final an exciting night. The affirmative team was Waipara, consisting of Cecille Grant, Ellie Pringle and Jade Northover. The negative team from Hurunui College consisted of Skye Marryatt, Rommel Wilson and Roddy Murchison. Both teams showed their potential in public speaking and Roddy Murchison, from Hurunui College was awarded 'Best Speaker' of night. It was a fairy-tale ending for Hurunui College, as it was the first time that the school has entered the competition. *Written by The News*

3 July, End of Term 2



6-9 July, NZASA Sports

20 July, Day 1, Term 3

22 July, Year 7-13 Speech Competition

23 July, Year 6-8 Otago Problem Challenge

24 July, Year 4-13 Mt Lyford Ski Trip

27 July, Getwise Financial Literacy Programme

Getwise is a free curriculum based programme that advises children on financial literacy. The goal of each programme is to inspire and empower students to take positive steps towards making sound financial decisions. The workshops were delivered to individual classes and included: the importance of saving, what interest is,

how banks work, ways to earn money, debit cards, budgeting and much more. These workshops were delivered in an exciting, fun, and interactive manner to make learning how to be smarter with money enjoyable and educational. This is to tie in with our fair trade and market day topics in Term 3.



28 July, Staff vs Year 13 Volleyball Game



3 August, Paul Kramer left

4 August, Inter School Chess Competition

5 August, CASA Kapa Haka Day

6 August, CCHS Indoor

We travelled to Christchurch for this annual event. Sports played were volleyball, table tennis, badminton and basketball. We sent a team of 105 students (Year 9-13) and teachers, travelling by bus to various venues. Thanks to all the students who played with a great team spirit. You all represented Hurunui College to a very high standard.

8 August, VC Music Show Case

This is the first year that Hurunui College has offered Performing Arts NCEA via video conferencing. This enabled us to host the first ever NetNZ Music Festival at Hurunui College. Students from across the South Island travelled to Hurunui and were billeted out into our awesome community. On the big day the students joined our current NCEA students to perform their various solo, group and demonstrated their production skills.

11 August, HPSSA 7-Aside

We sent our Year 4-8 students by buses to compete in Touch Rugby, Soccer and Netball, with the help of some Year 10 and 11 students. The senior students had been coaching these teams before we attended and they all helped on the day as coaches, managers and refereeing. Many thanks for the great work. Also great big thanks to the parents who acted as Managers, as without you the day couldn't go ahead with entering 13 teams, we just don't have the teachers to assist. Well done to the students who were very good role models for the school and competed to the best of your ability.



13 August, Spelling Bee Semi Final

I took one last look at the list of words I'd been studying for the last few months. I'd already made up my mind that I'd burn it after the semi-finals. The Spelling Bee was at Villa High School and starting at four. Miss Ross, Grace and I got to the school half an hour early. However, we were the last ones to arrive so the Bee started early. We got given this piece of paper with string that goes around your neck and it determines which speller you are; (each of us had a number).

The whole process of the Bee was nerve-wracking. Neither me or Grace have ever gotten into the stage of a Spelling Bee before when we both have to verbally spell words in front of an audience. The words were quite challenging but Grace and I managed to spell them. The first word I tripped up on was *coup*. I didn't hear it properly, despite how many times I got them to repeat it. (After the event I remembered that the word came from "coup de'tat" - a word we learnt in social studies last year.) Fortunately that round was a practice round and I was officially still not out... yet.

The rounds passed by slowly and suspensefully. *Decimal. Permanent. Fugitive. Trauma. Arthritis. Nauseous.* I had a couple more rounds when I finally stuffed up on a word. *Sapphire.* I like that colour but now I hate the word. The producers were right when they said that only one person is going to walk away from the event without hating a word. I spelled it with only one "p". Well it was over for me. But it was all right. It was nice to watch Grace pull herself through the rest of the spelling without having to worry if it's your turn next.

Overall it was a really nice experience to do and take part in something you wouldn't usually see or hear about often, especially in this country. It was a blessing to able to get to the second round this year because last year we didn't make it past the first. It was awesome that Grace got second equal because the top three were selected to go and compete in the finals at Wellington.

Lee Anne Alcantara, Year 10

14 August, CASA Jumbo Day, Teacher Only Day

15 August, Year 11-13 CASA Formal

19 August, Year 7-10 CANTA Math

20 August, Year 6-8, Otago Problem Challenge

24 August, Hurunui College vs St Bedes Rugby Match

After a seven year lull, Hurunui College faced off against a St Bede's 3rd grade team for the "Les Hassall Memorial Cup" on Monday 24th August in Hawarden. This is an annual event held between the two schools and it was great to see such a turnout of locals, young and old. Thanks to Graeme Inch who refereed this game; it was good to get someone who has such a passion for rugby. He himself, had a while ago played in this match, while attending Hawarden High School (now Hurunui College). This annual match hadn't been played since 2008, so let's hope we can keep up the tradition and keep it going for many years to come. Hurunui College went in to the match with the cup, however we handed it back to St Bede's this year with the result being 30-5 to St Bede's.

Our team was made up of 10 students from Hurunui and we were assisted with some other students from Amuri and Cheviot Area Schools, to field a team.

The Hurunui students were as follows:

Marcus White, Fraser Lintott, Flynn Crean, Fletcher Earl, Henry Earl, Blair Norton, Caleb Beck, Corban Painter, Damien Watson, Caleb McMullan, and Tom Ruck (Manager). The team was coached by our Principal Stephen Beck.



26 August, NASDA for a Day

28 August, Daffodil Day

31 August - 3 September, SISS Netball tournament

The South Island Secondary School (SISS) Netball tournament was held in Timaru from Monday 31st August to Thursday 3rd September, playing two games a day. Our team travelled down in our school van on Sunday 30th August and returned on Thursday 3rd September. The team was Hurunui College students: Ashleigh Beck, Nisha Jolliffe, Rachel Garside, Tessa Allan and Amuri Area School students: Taylar Hubbard, Courtney Hale-McInstry, Louise Schwass, Cheviot Area School: Yvonne Mitchell, and Fern Booker (correspondence learner). Huge thanks to Paula Beck (Coach), Toni Jolliffe (Manager) and Julia Dickson (Cheviot) for umpiring. They had a new look this year with new netball uniforms purchased, due to the great fundraising efforts from last year. This team performed well playing in the B Grade where competition is against bigger schools than ours. The weather was very unkind to them for a couple of days this year as they were playing outside. For a team that doesn't get together much before the competition they did very well, and to get that level of experience is wonderful. Next year tournament is in Nelson.



9 September, CSMF Rehearsal

11 September, Mufti Day Westpac Helicopter Fundraiser

Mufti Day for Year 0-13 students was organised by Sarah Frizzell as part of her Home Learning Challenge. Students had to dress in red and yellow and all money raised went towards the Westpac Helicopter.

11 September, North Canterbury Primary Basketball Competition

North Canterbury Primary Basketball Competition – 11th September through to 4th December. (Year 5/6 and Year 7/8)

This year we had six teams entered in this competition.

Hurunui Hustlers (Year 5/6): Josh Gunn, Jai Marryatt, Olivia Frame, Maggie Ferguson, Briana Hodgen, Harper Pugh, Angus Hodgen, Ollie Zino

Coach: Gene Marryatt, Manager: Jenny Banks

Hurunui Hoopsters (Year 5/6): Tahlia Beck, April Kelly, Katie Gunn, Eva Marryatt, Ella Ferguson, Millie Hassall

Coach: Paula Beck, Manager: Bronwyn Gunn

Hurunui Highlanders (Year 5/6): Fred Calder, Charlie Woelders, Jack Tweed, Rommel Wilson, Jack Zino, Martin Quigley, Sam Hunter-Weston, William Costello

Coach: Sam Wilson, Manager: Katrina Quigley

Hurunui Hotshots (Year 7/8): Archer Pascoe, Sean Hassall, Skye Marryatt, Connor Wilson, Sarah Frizzell, Caleb Norton, Hunter Prendeville, Emma Schroder, *Coach: Simon Wilson, Manager: Sam Pascoe, Jude Frizzell*

Hurunui Hurricanes (Year 7/8): Roddy Murchison, Bill Bailey, Liam Henderson, Liam Marsh, Charlee Barrett, Luke Sterne, Jake Topp

Coach: Paul Grupe, Nicholas Boddy, Managers: Nicci Heywood, Beth Bailey

Hurunui High Flyers (Year 7/8): Abby Devine, Liam Cassidy, Nik McMullan, Anthony Reed, Yasmin Sparks, Lucy Frame

Coach: Sarah Cassidy

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our coaches and parents who assist each week with transport. It is always much appreciated to have this support. At the time of print all teams were still playing so sorry can't put in results.

17 September, Year 0-7 Market Day

In Term 3 our Exploring Learning Community studied financial literacy through our "Making Cents" topic. Our focus was to gain an understanding of how much products cost and how to make a profit selling them at a market. We designed, created and marketed a product to sell for our Market Day. We all worked hard for most of the term, and were grateful for the help from parents who came in to support us. We created a wide range of fantastic products, and these included art, crafts, kitsets, sweets and baking, games and activities. Our Market Day was extremely successful. All students were able to experience setting up a stall, serving customers, selling products and giving change. We made a grand total of \$5000!

Term 3, Hurunui College Senior Badminton Competition

This is an annual competition held for students from Year 9-13. This year we held it in Term 3. The players entered were:

Boys: Ricki Allan, Jake Collins, Isaac Hassall, George Wilkins, Damien Watson, Callum Hinde, Dylan Topp, Levi Cameron, Henry Earl, Samuel Hassall, Josh Collins, Fraser Lintott, Mathew Garside, Ethan Dellaway, Flynn Crean, Fletcher Earl, Hamish Stackhouse, Corban Painter, Blair Norton

Girls: Jess Vernal, Alex Earl, Thea Tabayoyong, Ashleigh Watson, Miriam Clark, Nisha Jolliffe, Rachel Garside, Danielle Hoban, Ashleigh Lintott, Cherie Sutherland, Zoe Watson, Holly Crean.

The winners were as follows:

Boys: 1st Ricky A, 2nd Flynn C

Girls: 1st Alex E, 2nd Jess V

House Points for competing were as follows:

Sumner: 20, Mason: 4, Sheppard: 4, Taylor: 3



23-26 September, Year 11-13 Art Trip to Wellington

I'd never been on an overnight school trip before. And this was three nights and I'd organised it and I was responsible for it!

We met in the school carpark at 8am. Then it was a bit of a road trip to Picton. Paula must've been speeding because we got to the Bluebridge terminal about an hour early. But they had free wifi so we just hung around and relaxed before the scary sea bit (I'm definitely not a sailor).

We were due in Wellington at 5.30pm. I'd carefully calculated that it was an 18 minutes walk from the Bluebridge terminal to where we were staying at Nomads. And it was an eight minute walk back to TSB Arena to be seated by 6.30pm for the World of Wearable Arts. I'd spoken to Nomads and said we wouldn't have much time to check-in so they'd done the paperwork already and said they'd have our keys waiting. I figured about 10 minutes for a quick change. But the ferry was 40 minutes late! We almost ran to TSB Arena and arrived (some of us breathing heavily from the unexpected exercise) with all our luggage. Luckily all three people we spoke to were wonderful, we stacked our bags in an office and were seated just in time. Of course the locals, who hadn't just travelled since 8am, kept arriving till just before the show started! But what a show! There were people flying through the air, dancers, musicians, actors, flames shooting from the stage, laser lights, pounding music, oh and the fashion! It was spectacular, awesome, and unforgettable!

After the show we took a leisurely stroll along the waterfront admiring the harbour and city lights and finally checked in to Nomads. Then it was back out into the city for a late tea at Maccas. After everyone had stuffed themselves we stumbled to Metro New World for groceries and then staggered to bed. Next morning we headed up Cuba Street to the Victoria University School of Architecture. They put on a good show for us too. We were taken to a mini lecture theatre and given a talk by two of the first-year tutors. Then we were given a guided tour of the entire building from the third floor to the basement workshops.

I decided to unleash Hurunui College on central Wellington and told everyone to meet back at Nomads after lunch. Then we went to Te Papa. We did see some art, the children's colouring-in activity was popular but the stand out was the Gallipoli exhibition. It was equal amounts of mind blowing and depressing.

That night was BurgerFuel for tea. They had fifteen burgers (Nish had two!) and fries with aioli waiting for us. If being delicious wasn't enough they gave us freebie milkshakes! Then the hardcore amongst us went to the movies (I went to my room and watched TV!)

Friday morning and it was off to Weta Workshop. We nearly didn't make it as there was a "slight problem" when I got on the bus. Our expensive Snapper card which I had been told was the best way to get 14 of us to Miramar and back could, according to the bus driver, only be used for five of us. However, I had emergency cash and so we were on our way. The Weta Workshop tour was a-maze-ing! I got to hold a samurai sword, and a full size model of one of the guns used in the District 9 movie. But Dylan (and Jake) got to sit in the actual, original, and fully functional "Warthog"! Unfortunately they/we can't prove it as photography is not allowed. They have an actual blacksmith there who makes metal armour and weapons. And we learnt about hero armour and weapons which is made out of foam and plastic to make the hero's appear heroic (rather than struggling to swing a heavy actual mace). Then we got to talk to three real live artists who were making sculptures for private commissions. One was making small hamster/leprechauns (that's the best way I can describe them) out of clay and the other two were making a bigger than life size horse in polystyrene. They have a machine that carves fridge size pieces of polystyrene! Then the sculptors put the bits together and do any fine tuning.

After lunch we went to City Gallery. There we saw some photography that Elbert didn't believe was photography. And there was an exhibition called "Demented architecture" which included a bizarre movie (I watched the whole thing) and thousands of pieces of white Lego, which was very popular.

I had ordered twelve traditional Dominos pizzas, eight garlic breads and twelve litres of Pepsi for tea. Turns out that was plenty! Hey, no one is hungry on my trips! We had leftover pizza for the trip home and we finished the Pepsi at the "Post Portfolio Party".

Then that only left one final challenge. We had to check out of Nomads at 6.30am! And believe it or not, everyone, including last-man-Bert, was waiting for me in the lobby! The ferry was chocka, first day of the school holidays, but some of us still managed to lie down and catch up on some sleep (the "girls room" decided to stay up all night and talk rather than risk sleeping through their alarm!)

We did a driver change in Blenheim and rolled back into Hurunui College's carpark in time for tea.

I think it was the best trip ever (yeah I know, it is my only trip and I'm biased coz I organised it). But I would definitely put myself through the effort and stress of doing it again. *Martin Zeinert*



25 September, Last day of Term 3

12 October, Day 1, Term 4

17 October, Spelling Bee Finals

I cautiously step out onto the stage, awaiting my fate - the first ... or the last? I glance over at the judges, then the speaker. The voice of the man rings through my ears: "Speller number 5 ... your word is ... *cruciferous*." Heart

pumping. Just keep calm. Then I make my move. "Can I have the definition, please?" As he answers my questions, my mind ticks over to the long hours of studying strange words that were completely foreign to me. I spell correctly. They nod. I walk back to my seat.

Ever since April, I'd been working towards this moment. Finalists from all over the country who had taken the same journey as me came together to stay in Wellington at the 5 star hotel, "Rydges". We also had a tour around parliament. We attended a banquet especially organised for us where we all received a medal for our hard work and efforts. I got to know some of the other contestants as well. This was probably one of my



favourite parts of the experience: meeting new people. Turns out that none of them came from a sheep and beef farm like I do!

Now to compete in a group with the top 18 spellers in the country, on a stage illuminated by bright lights, in front of a hundred or so people may sound fairly daunting. "How are you feeling? Are you nervous?", people asked. Well, yes. I was quite nervous when we arrived on stage but after spelling a few words, I calmed down. All through the theatre a shadow of suspense hung in the air. I'm sure everyone felt it - audience and speller alike.

To get us used to the feel of the stage, we had been given a list of 200 words to study in the last two months.

We were given 3 words each from this list then onto words that we hadn't seen in the competition before. *Boycott.*

Cruciferous. Grandeur.

Finally, after a nail biting showdown of words, the competition narrowed down to five of us which included a girl from Collingwood Area School, Nelson. Unfortunately, the bell rang on the word I'll never forget but I probably will never have to use it in my vocabulary anyway: *apotropaic.*

Before I close off I just want to acknowledge Someone that was with me the whole way through - God. The night before the regionals I felt that I had done hardly any study and that I didn't deserve to get through to the finals, but if you have faith then nothing is impossible. During the regional and the final I was asking Him to carry me through and help me do my best. Fourth equal was good enough for me and I believe and thank God for giving me the ability and strength to give it my all.

Grace Spencer, Year 10

19-21 October, Kowhai Class, Kaikoura Camp

21-23 October, Kikorangi Class, Kaikoura Camp

27-30 October, Karaka Class, Kaikoura Camp

3-4 November, Waiporoporo Class, Kaikoura Camp

This year the Exploring Learning Community went to Kaikoura to experience its majestic and unique marine ecosystem. Each class in Exploring discussed and got to experience first-hand, why the marine wildlife is so abundant in Kaikoura and how the ocean floor and Kaikoura Canyon play a big part in this. A highlight for most classes was the opportunity to go sea kayaking and some even experienced dolphins swimming under their kayaks!! A visit to Fyffe House and a Whale Watch experience were other highlights. The most memorable highlight for me was the campfires at night time; toasting marshmallows and telling jokes and scary stories.

Melanie Marryatt (TIC Exploring Learning Community)



22 October, Year 1-8, Jack Flash and the Jumping Beanstalk

23-24 October, Taiaha Training

29 October, CSMF Performance Night

Congratulations to the Junior Festival Choir for a fabulous performance in Christchurch, for the "Combined Schools Music Festival" performance.

It always impresses me so much the talent of our under 13 year old singers and musicians in the Canterbury Area. What a fabulous experience to be a part of this! Sarah Cassidy



2 November, Hurunui College Athletics

Hurunui College athletics day was held Monday 2nd November. All students competed with enthusiasm and good sportsmanship. Thanks to all the parents who helped with the running of this day, we couldn't do it without you all. Quite a number of records were broken and the following students should be congratulated: Sophie Thomson, Jessica Fincham, Jackson Van der Meer, Daniel Hawley, Michael Courto, Geordie Hassall, Katie Gunn, Fred Calder, Regan Kay.

Results

Runner

Runner



Kay.

are as follows:

Champion Year 3-4 Girls: Regan Kay

Boys: Andrew Fincham

Up Brooke Dunn

Boys: Hunter Cattermole

Champion Year 5-6 Girls: Jessica Fincham

Boys: Daniel Hawley

Up Millie Hassall/Olivia Frame

Fred Calder/Rommel Wilson

Champion Year 7-10

Girls: Krista Vernal

Boys: Caleb Beck

Runner Up:

Tessa Allan/Lucy Frame

Douglas Quigley

Champion Snr Girls:

Alex Earl

Boys: Damien Watson

Overall house results for athletics are as follows: 1st Taylor, 2nd Sumner, 3rd Mason, 4th Sheppard.



2 November, Trinity Vocal Exams

Also, a huge congratulations to my very clever and talented students who set their Trinity vocal exams this month. These are internationally recognised exams, and the examiner comes from London to assess these students. We had 100% pass rate. And the results as follow are to be very proud of.

Grade 3, Classical:

Liam Cassidy

Grade 1, Rock and Pop:

Olivia Frame, Lucy Frame, Angus Hodgen.

Grade 1, Rock and Pop with Merit:

Brianna Hodgen, Maggie Fergusson, Geordie Bethell, April Kelly.

Grade 2, Rock and Pop with Merit:

Millie Hassall

Grade 4, Rock and Pop with Merit:

Jane McIntosh

Grade 5, Rock and Pop with Merit:

Jacob Ward

Grade 5, Rock and Pop with Distinction:

Katie Gunn

Grade 6, Rock and Pop with Distinction:

Asra Ginders

Grade 7, Rock and Pop with Merit:

Charlotte Cassidy



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Whero Class



Top Miss Banks, Mrs Marsh, Te Whero Donohue Braas, Amelia Dewes, Charlie Carthy, Bailee Cattermole, Mrs Black

Middle Josie Earl, Will Zino, Sinead Chisnell, Connor Earl, Ben Crosby

Front Shea Kelly, Dustin Wright, Kohatu Cottrell, Liam Clausen

Kakariki Class



Top Miss Jackson, Manny Crichton, Davey Talivai, Kelvin Hawley, Blake Earl

Middle Poppy Radford, Eveline Svensson, Grace McKnight, Pieta Sidey, Sophie Thompson

Front Libby Ginders, Finn Stanley, Grace Dagcuten, Ed the Ted, Hazel Pugh, Harry Giller, Samuel Dobbs

Absent Riley Abbott, Olivia van der Meer, Alice Iremonger, Ben Spencer

Waiporoporo Class



Top Abbie Baguley, Sophie Wright, Regan Kay, Shane Marie Gannaban, Ella McKnight, Ella Richards, Miss Findlay

Middle .Seth Smith, Cindy Smith Collings, Luke Chisnall, Tom Barnes, Skye Alldred, Taylor Jayne Dymock, Andrew Fincham

Front Angel Dagcuten, Flynn Ginders, Brooke Dunn, Hayley Earl, Jesse McMullan, Levi Alldred, Katie Spencer, Katie Keeble

Absent Neve Cassidy

Kowhai Class

Top David Dagcuten, Olivia Frame, Josh Gunn, Sam Earl, Willow Wildermoth, Jakob Pascoe, Geordie Hassall, Georgie Bethell, Mrs Tilson

Middle Jai Marryatt, Clara Giller, Rachael Burnett, Angus Zino, Caleb Spencer, Neihana Hoeta Smith

Front Rowen Clausen, Cody Quirke, Ollie Zino, Jessica Fincham, Hunter Cattermole, Cody McMullan, Angus Hodgen, Taylor Hawley

Absent Jackson van der Meer



Kikorangi Class

Top Nathan Kay, William Costello, Sam Hunter Weston, Rommel Wilson, Katie Gunn

Middle Jack Zino, Harper Pugh, Chevannah Smith, Bri Hodgen, Eva Marryatt, Tahlia Beck

Middle Mrs Wildman, Charlie Woelders, Jack Tweed, Millie Hassall, Fred Calder, Joshua Burton, Mrs Wilson

Front George Hicks, April Kelly, Daniel Topp, Joseph Clark, Martin Quigley, Daniel Hawley, Kereama Smith Collings, Maggie Ferguson, Ella Ferguson



Karaka Class

Top Lucy Frame, Archer Pascoe, Louie Bethell, Roddy Murchison, Crystal Reed

Middle Daniel Purvis, Nik McMullan, Guy Jensen, Kaitlin Keith, Anthony Reed, Jake Topp

Middle Mrs Beck, Shakira Cameron, Sean Hassall, Eli Scott, Michael Courto, Beth Hicks, Mrs Marryatt

Front Abbie Devine, Jacob Ward, Bill Bailey, Hayden Thornley, Dean Cottrell, Liam Henderson, Logan Dunn, Callum Clausen, Yasmin Sparks

Absent Liam Cassidy



Year 8



Top Trinity O'Brien, Jordan Dunn, Brooke Plaskett, Caleb Norton, Lulu Downes, Luke Sterne

Middle Ashleigh Hawley, Connor Wilson, Beau Doughty, Charlee Barrett, Ashley Burnett, Rosa Adams, Ms Talivai

Front Skye Marryatt, Callum Hutson, Mitch Berry, Quan Quirke, Emma Schroder, Christopher Stowell, Hunter Prendeville, Liam Marsh, Georgia Costello

Absent Sarah Frizzell

Year 9



Top Holly Crean, Morgan Bailey, Caleb Beck, Cailan Morgan, Douglas Quigley, Cassie Keith, Haley Spencer

Middle Mr Marlow, Brodie Shepherd, Jess Riley, Ashleigh Brown, Storme Smith, Emily Dellaway, Victoria McLellan, Hamish Stackhouse, Mr Valentine

Front Mackenzie Hinde, Jackson Northover, Briar Sparks, Zoe Watson, Tessa Allan, Brodie Cameron, Bella Devine

Absent Eli Bullmore, Charlotte Cassidy

Year 10



Top Josh Collins, George Wilkins, Samuel Hassall, Ethan Purvis, Henry Earl, Johnny Murchison

Middle Paul Kramer, Joanne Bircham, Ashleigh Lintott, Krista Vernal, Asra Ginders, Grace Spencer, Haley Ross

Front India Garden-Young, Lee Anne Alcantara, Jackson Bau, Blair Wilkins, Mathew Garside, Todd Wilkins, Jack Trembath, Sarah Allington, Aimee Stowell

Absent Cherie Sutherland

Top Blair Norton, Keely Bovey, Nathan Hawley, Caleb McMullan, Flynn Crean, Corban Painter, Fletcher Earl, Calybe Chambers

Middle Miriam Clark, Ashleigh Watson, Lavinia Ashworth, Skyla Squires, Jamie-Lee Barnes, Laura Clyma, Chantelle White

Front James Crosby, Levi Cameron, James Metcalfe, Tom Ruck, Liam Costello, Corde Prendeville, Dylan Topp, Keanu Rata

Absent Cherish Bullmore



Year 11

Top Mr Scott, Rachel Garside, Kodie Plaskett, Ashleigh Beck, Jake Collins, Willow Vernal

Front Callum Hinde, Isaac Hassall, Luke Englefield, Ethan Dellaway, Fraser Lintott, Ricki Allan, Elbert Alcantara



Year 12

Top Mr Valentine, Nisha Jolliffe, Danielle Hoban, Levana Williamson, Jess vernal, Thea Tabayoyong

Front Alex Earl, Damien Watson, Marcus Watson, Taylor Painter



Year 13

Senior Girls Basketball



L-R Nisha Jolliffe, Jessica Vernal, Krista Vernal, Ashleigh Beck, Ashleigh Lintott, Willow Vernal. Abs: Chantelle White, Levanna Williamson

Junior Boys Basketball



Back Henry Earl, Douglas Quigley, Samuel Hassall, Caleb Beck

Front Jackson Bau, Josh Collins, Hamish Stackhouse

Tennis Competition



L-R Tessa Allan, Ricki Allan, Connor Wilson, Millie Hassall



L-R Alex Earl, Ricki Allan



Badminton

Back George Wilkins, Henry Earl, Samuel Hassall, Caleb Beck, Todd Wilkins, Jackson Bau

Middle Willow Vernal, Jess Vernal, Danielle Hoban, Levana Williamson, Alex Earl, Ashleigh Beck, Nisha Jolliffe, Thea Tabayoyong

Middle Tessa Allan, Ashleigh Lintott, Cherie Sutherland, Krista Vernal, Asra Ginders

Front Jake Collins, Corban Painter, Isaac Hassall, Ricki Allan



CASAfest

Back Olivia Frame, Emma Schroder, Connor Wilson, Louie Bethell, Hayden Thornley, Rosa Adam, Millie Hassall

Front Rommel Wilson, Angus Zino, Fred Calder



Canterbury Primary Swimming

CCHS Swimming



Back Krista Vernal, Ashleigh Lintott, Louie Bethell, Corban Painter, Caleb Beck, Ashleigh Beck, Emma Schroder, Rosa Adam

Front Connor Wilson, Guy Jensen, Michael Courto, Hayden Thornley

CCHS Athletics



Back Krista Vernal, Nisha Jolliffe, Willow Vernal, Isaac Hassall, Corban Painter, Jessica Vernal, Jake Collins, Ashleigh Lintott, Tessa Allan

Middle Georgia Costello, Henry Earl, Jackson Bau, Caleb Beck, Blair Wilkins, Louie Bethell, Archer Pascoe, Emma Schroder

Front Nik McMullan, Hayden Thornley, Hunter Prendeville, Guy Jensen, Michael Courto

SISS Netball



L-R Toni Jolliffe, Paula Beck, Nisha Jolliffe, Tessa Allan, Fern Booker, Ashleigh Beck, Louise Schwass, Rachel Garside, Courtney Hale-McInstry, Taylar Hubbard, Yvonne Mitchell, Julia Dickson



Back Jack Zino, Rommel Wilson, Sam Hunter
Weston, Fred Calder, Charlie Woelders

Front April Kelly, Katie Gunn, Tahlia Beck,
Jack Tweed



Hurunui Hustlers Term 1

Back Josh Gunn, Olivia Frame, Bri Hodgen,
Maggie Ferguson, Harper Pugh

Front Ollie Zino, Gus Hodgen, Jai Marryatt



Hurunui Hustlers, Term 4

Back Jakob Pascoe, Jackson van der Meer,
Bri Hodgen, Chevannah Smith, Olivia Frame,
Angus Zino, Josh Gunn



Hurunui Hoopsters, Term 1

Hurunui Hoopsters, Term 4



Back Eva Marryatt, Katie Gunn, Tahlia Beck, Millie Hassall

Front Ella Ferguson, April Kelly

Hurunui Hotshots T1



Back Ashley Burnett, Hunter Prendeville, Connor Wilson, Caleb Norton, Sean Hassall

Front Michael Courto, Sarah Frizzell, Lulu Downes, Archer Pascoe

Hurunui Hotshots T4



Back Archer Pascoe, Caleb Norton, Connor Wilson, Hunter Prendeville, Sean Hassall

Front Emma Schroder, Sarah Frizzell, Skye Marryatt



Back Nik McMullan, Anthony Reed, Louie Bethell, Roddy Murchison, Liam Cassidy

Front Abby Devine, Yasmin Sparks



Hurunui Hurricanes T1

L-R Jake Topp, Charlee Barrett, Roddy Murchison, Liam Henderson, Bill Bailey



Hurunui Hurricanes T4

Back Rommel Wilson, William Costello, Sam Hunter Weston, Fred Calder, Jack Tweed

Front Jack Zino, Charlie Woelders, Martin Quigley



Hurunui Highlanders, T4

Hurunui High Flyer, T4



L-R Abby Devine, Nik McMullan, Anthony Reed, Liam Cassidy, Yasmin Sparks. Abs: Lucy Frame

Cross Country



Back Joseph Clark, Todd Wilkins, Miriam Clark, Millie Hassall

Front Sophie Thompson, Katie Keeble, Blake Earl, Andrew Fincham

Cross Country, Canterbury



Back Emma Schroder, Hunter Prendeville, Archer Pascoe, Connor Wilson, Jakob Pascoe

Front Jessica Fincham, Mille Hassall, Ella Ferguson, Eva Marryatt



L-R Isaac Hassall, Charlee Barrett, Nathan Kay, Emma Schroder, Alex Earl. Abs: Lucy Frame



Triathlon, individual

L-R Hayden Thornley, Guy Jensen, Michael Courto



Triathlon, Junior Team 11/12 yrs

L-R Jack Zino, Sam Hunter Weston, Daniel Hawley



Triathlon, Junior Team 9/10 yrs



9 November, NZQA Exams started

10 November, Discovery Trip to Motunau

On Tuesday we went to Motunau. First we went across the river to the rock pools. Next we went looking for things in the rock pool like starfish and crabs. Me and Emma saw a ladybug. Then we went to Sandy Bay and made a sand castle with a lake around it. After that we had a photo. Finally we went back to school. My favourite bit was finding the star fish. *By Eveline Svensson*

On Tuesday Kakariki and Whero went to Motunau Beach. When we were there we had morning tea. After that we went down to the beach and I saw a crab under a rock on the beach. I got a lot of crabs under rocks. It was lunch time. After that we went somewhere else and made a rugby post out of sand. We went back to school. On the way home I told mum about it, at the beach. We got wet in the water. I got bitten by crabs. I picked up a rock and I saw a fish under the rock. Other people found starfish. *By Riley Abbot*

10 November, HPSSA Athletics, Cheviot

Following on from our school athletics day a team of primary students went to Cheviot for the Hurunui Primary School Sports Assn Zone Athletics. They were: Regan Kay, Ella Richards, Angus Hodgen, Hunter Cattermole, Flynn Ginders, Seth Smith, Neve Cassidy, Jessica Fincham, Shane-Marie Gannaban, Georgie Bethell, Taylor Hawley, Josh Gunn, Ollie Zino, Geordie Hassall, Olivia Frame, Ella Ferguson, Cody McMullan, Charlie Woelders, Fred Calder, Nathan Kay, Harper Pugh, Millie Hassall, Tahlia Beck, Lucy Frame, Eva Marryatt, Katie Gunn, Guy Jensen, Jack Zino, Daniel Hawley, Rommel Wilson, Joseph Clark, Skye Marryatt, Rosa Adams, Misty Kokiri-Elers, Sarah Frizzell, Emma Schroder, Nik McMullan, Archer Pascoe, Louie Bethell, Connor Wilson, Lulu Downes, Ashleigh Hawley, Charlee Barrett, Quan Quirke. (Jackson Van der Meer and Michael Courto were also selected, however couldn't attend due to illness).

17 November, Kakariki Class, Mind Lab

At Mind Lab we made movies. First we got everything we needed. Next we put everything in it's position how we wanted to look. Then we started to film it. Me and Ben used all four army motorbikes and two dinosaurs. After that we went looking at everyone's film. Finally we did one with costumes on us. My favourite part was everything. *By Harry Giller, Kakariki Class*



On Tuesday Kakariki Class went to Mind Lab. We made movies out of our photos of toys and scissors and tape. We also had to make keyboards go with cords and if we wanted to we could make drums go as well. I think all of us had a lot of fun because I did. Making sound was fun. My movie was called 'snowy lawn'. My favourite bit was everything.

Seasons Greetings and wishing everyone a safe and happy summer break.

23-25 November, Thank you to everyone who contributed work for the magazine.

Thanks to Mr Valentine and Mrs Topp for your proof reading.

Any remaining errors are mine! Ed (the Ted)

26 November, CPSSA Triathlon

The Canterbury Primary Schools Triathlon was held at Pegasus Township. This triathlon was postponed from March when the Lake at Pegasus had too much algae, so has been rescheduled for this time of the year. As it turns out it may be a bit colder for the swim, however we had a few keen students who participated. They were Lucy Frame, Olivia Frame,

