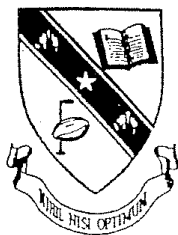


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Week Ending 14th August 2009

Kia ora Parents and Guardians

It has been a pleasure to welcome the Japanese students accompanied by Mr Himeno and Mr Kudo back to Amuri Area School. Fortunately the weather has been kinder than last year and they all seem to be thoroughly enjoying their immersion into our way of life. This week has also seen the arrival of Mr Oliver Heuchel from Germany who joins the staff for the next six months, we are confident that he too will enjoy the NZ rural school experience. Amuri Area School certainly has a very international flavour and this cultural diversity is a very positive experience for us all.

Last week Mr Wilkinson touched on the work the school is doing around the key competencies. Behind the importance of these key competencies lies the fact that the extent of new knowledge is increasing at an incredibly fast rate. To help our students become well equipped for the future we need to focus on both knowledge and competencies. It is this combination that students will need to use, along with all other resources, to become life long learners. The essence of the new curriculum is to teach students the skills and attributes that will prepare them for a future that is unknown.

As a part of the Careers programme at school the NZ Army made a presentation to interested senior students on Wednesday. These different presentations are an important way of giving students first hand information on options beyond school and a chance to ask questions. The programme for the year has a wide range of presentations so there should be something for everyone. A common theme in all these presentations has been the need for students to achieve the very best they can as competition for placements is alive and well.

Congratulations to the following students for their selection to rep rugby teams.

Under 18 Richard Earl

Under 17 Gerard Beaven

Under 15 Tom Crean, Talor Holmes, Baden Petrie, Michail Zwonnikoff, William Duncan, Andrew Forbes, Scott Parkinson

Under 14 Hayden Ross, Ethan Wadley

Under 13 Keegan Gray

Under 65kg Jim Smith, Jacob Vincent, Toby Walker, Jordi Grant

Under 48kg Tim Chaffey, Brent Dalley, Tom Northcote

Under 12 Development Sam Crean, Adam Stachurski, Beau Galletly

Finally on a safety note; a handful of students are wearing black shoes like a thin leather slipper that provide minimal protection for feet in specialist rooms. I have expressed my concerns to the students involved and some parents, all that we are asking is that your child's black shoes are sensible and appropriate for the school workplace and that the 'fashion statements' are left for other occasions.

Penny Mossman
Deputy Principal



ROLL OF HONOUR

C = Caverhill
H = Hamilton
M = Mitchell

	House
Leah Hawkes	H
Chris Jermy	H
Michaela Broomhall	M
Paula Leggett	M
Keegan Gray	M
Ashleigh Macadam	M
Sierrah Simpson	M
1ST MERIT CERTIFICATE	
Leah Hawkes	H

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

17th	Myojo Gakuen Departs CHCH Music Festival – Rehearsal
19th	ICAS Maths
21st	Lunchtime Activity-Wheel of Fortune
22nd	Leonard and the Lottery Ticket Musical
26th	Hurunui Exchange
29th	CSS One Day Horse Trial
30th Jul-3 Sep	SISS Netball Tournament
4th	Lunchtime Activity-Karaoke 2010 Senior Course Booklet Distributed
11th	Lunchtime Activity-Y9-13 Talent Quest Senior Course Selections Close
14th – 18th	Work Experience Week Year 10-13 Exams
18th	Lunchtime Activity-Y7&8 Talent Quest
21st	Got to go Day – Y9 & 10
23rd – 25th	CASAfest
25th	Lunchtime Activity-Y1-6 Talent Quest Term 3 Ends
12th Oct	Term 4 Begins

Looking Ahead November 12th

Teacher Only Day–SCHOOL CLOSED

Procedures for Review

Copies of these procedures are available from the school office for you to comment on.

- Protection From the Sun
- Part Time Students aged between 16 & 19 years
- Provisionally Registered Teachers (Year 1) and Year 1 and 2 Beginning Teachers
- Pre School Liaison (under five years)
- Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)
- School Buses
 - Rules for Bus Travel
 - Notes for Drivers
 - Duties of Bus Monitors

LIVING SPRINGS KIDS HOLIDAY CAMPS

Living Springs is having another kids camp in the next school holidays.

Living Springs Kids Holiday Camp
27th September - 1 October

Registration available by :

- : emailing office@livingsprings.co.nz
- : Phone Mel on 03 3299788
- : at our website www.livingsprings.co.nz
under NEWS

Well done to all students who participated in the ICAS Computer Skills Exam.

The results are:

Participation
 Jamie Michelle
 Kim Zwonnikoff
 Tomas Gudopp
 Belinda Dryden
 Aleisha Smith
 Holly Gibson
 Mairi Mackenzie
 Kelsey Norrie
 Lachie McIntosh

Credit
 Craig Springett
 Louise Schwass

Distinction
 Jim Smith



Room 5's Kites, made with Ms Thomas during technology lessons.



Myojo Gakuen students and teachers visiting with Acting Mayor Michael Malthus on their way to Amuri.