



*Ready, Willing, Able*

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**Dear parents and caregivers,**

Welcome back to term 2! It certainly seems that winter is heading our way with the cooling down in the evening and the darker mornings. Please ensure that your children are wearing their high visibility vests in the morning to help them to be seen on the way to school. On Tuesday I sent out an email regarding reporting here at school. We are wanting to ensure the time spent on reporting to you as parents is time well spent. If you haven't had a chance to complete that please check your email inbox.

Once again we have a busy term ahead of us at Barton with many inter school competitions - Ripa, Jump Jam, Life Education, Cross Country and other 'days of interest' - First Aid, 'Girls Can Code' and Swimming lessons for years 3-6.

Looking forward to another rewarding and fun filled term.

Thanks

*Matthew*



## PRINCIPALS AWARDS



Ashley Sargeant



Zahliah Edwards

*Happy &*

*Healthy*

*Environmentally*

*Aware*

*Aspire*

*Respectful*

*Tenacity*

Be ready,  
willing and able  
to have HEART,  
to be proud of  
who we are and  
what we do -  
today and  
tomorrow.

## COMING UP .....

Assembly — Friday 10th May @ 2.15pm

Week 3 & 4 — Swim for life, Year 3 - 6 @ CBay

## TERM 2 CALENDAR

7th May	Home & School Meeting @ 7pm
9th May	NZ Play House Visit
13th—24th May	CBay Swimming for Yr 3– 6
14th May	Board of Trustees Meeting at 7pm
22nd May	Rippa Rugby Tournament
3rd June	QUEENS' BIRTHDAY
5th June	Rural Schools Cross Country
7th June	BOT Election
11th June	South Canterbury Schools Cross Country
5th July	Last Day of Term 2

### Drop offs and pick-ups

Please be aware that we are unable to offer suitable duty of care for students until 8:20am in the mornings. This is the earliest your children should be arriving at school!

Many times we have timetabled meetings with colleagues, parents, visitors at this time.

Our first bus arrives approximately 8:20am so we will always have adults scheduled for supervision from this time onwards.

If you need to come to school early you are welcome to supervise your child/ren in the library or on the playground.

### Contacting Teachers

Another reminder that if you need to contact teachers for issues surrounding your child, please remember to use the official email, school phone or have discussions at appropriate times. One of our teachers received a message via their personal FB messenger on Sunday night before school had started back regarding a child's holiday! This is not appropriate and really is not fair to staff members while they are at home with their families. Staff do hand out their cell phone numbers from time to time for events (camps, transport, visits etc), but this is due to logistical and safety reasons and does not give parents permission to contact teachers via this method otherwise.

If you can try to use the official emails, staff will appreciate this very much!

# NZ Playhouse Visit - 9th May

After beating the Gingerbread Man in the finals of 'Who's the Fastest Of Them All?' everyone knows The Hare is the undisputed 'Master of Faster' and if they don't, they soon will thanks to the Hare's boasting and gloating about their momentous momentum. In fact, the only creature the harebrained Hare hasn't beaten in a race is the Tortoise, but why bother when everyone knows it would be a walk-over and a run-over. Or maybe not .....

For some strange reason the Gingerbread Man thinks the Tortoise could beat the Hare and for some very strange reason so does the Tortoise! Perhaps it has something to do with the very very strange piper dressed in pied clothing with a German accent who's just arrived to escape the rat-race...

This adventurous and interactive adaptation of Aesop's beloved fable will have your students (and teachers) laughing and learning about diversity, kindness and how to be a real winner.



### Alterations in afternoon bus runs

If during the day there is an alteration in your circumstances and you require your son/daughter to be on the bus, or not to be on the bus, please ring the office **before 2:00pm** as this will give Tania a chance to make the alterations before she leaves at 2:30pm. If you email your child's teacher (during the day) the message may not have been read due to teaching, duties, meeting etc.

### Emailing newsletters

From Term 3 onwards we will only be emailing newsletters out to parents therefore eliminating the time and cost that is spent on paper copies. We are able to assign 2 email addresses to you, if you need an additional address added to the database please let us know. This will allow us to be able to have up to date addresses so that permission slips, parent interview times and last minute notices can be sent out electronically. This will help eliminate the risk of losing forms to or from school.

## TEACHER AND PRINCIPALS PAID UNION MEETING THURSDAY 9TH MAY

The situation between the Ministry of Education and Teacher union remains unresolved. There will be a nationwide round of paid union meetings next week and our staff will meet on Thursday 9th May.

Whilst these meetings will take place during school time we will be able to manage the students at the school so there will be no need for the students to leave school. The intention of these meetings are to get a report back on the outcomes of any negotiations, and if they remain unsatisfactory talk together about how we collectively shift this position. This may mean a vote on strike action if that is necessary.

## Netball season has started for 2019!

Could all players please remember to wear the correct uniform for each of their games. Black thermals are fine under the uniform on a cold day, but please no tights!

**NO** jewellery of any kind is to be worn!

Please make sure fingernails are clipped before each game. Thank you and good luck netballers!



# First Aid



## SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Board of Trustee elections are fast approaching! Nominations open on Friday 10th May and will close at noon on Friday 24th May. Nomination papers will be sent out to every parent/caregiver next week.

Don't forget to join the Board for their meeting on Tuesday 14th May at 7.00pm if you are interested in learning more about the process or have any questions about being a Board member.

## Barton Rural Pre-Loved School Uniforms



We have shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts, polar fleeces, skirts and some sunhats.

Come and have a look, we have uniforms in a wide range of sizes.

If you can't make these times or just want to have a talk about the uniforms please feel free to contact

Nicola Weir, our preloved uniform co-ordinator, on 0275253878 or 6889777



## RONCALLI COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Sunday 19 May 10am – 1pm

Register on the day at the College Hall for your personalised guided tour



### NINJA CLASSES

Learn to flip and twist like a Ninja! Classes after school on Mondays or Tuesdays. Learn tricks to impress your friends. Progress up the different belt colours (like Karate). And even get the bandanas to match. Certificates given when each level is achieved. Email us on [timaru@flipout.co.nz](mailto:timaru@flipout.co.nz) or message us on Facebook to learn more. A great winter activity. No registration fee if starting this term. **FREE TRIAL CLASS.**



Mountainview High School will hold its annual Open Day on **Tuesday 28th May.**

This is your opportunity to visit the school and see our students and staff in action. Prospective students and their whanau are able to hear what our students think about their school and then go on a tour of the campus, visiting different subject areas so that you gain a clear understanding of what is on offer to your child.

**Cancer Society's**  
**RECYCLE RUNWAY**  
 Pre-loved fashion event  
 6pm - 32 Memorial Ave  
 Drinks & Nibbles - Fashion show - Pop-up shop

Timaru  
 13th June

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