



# Banks Avenue School



"Learning today to succeed tomorrow"  
*Kia mau ki ngā akoranga, kia tau ai āpōpō*

## NEWSLETTER

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Hi, kia ora, goeie dag, haileo, jou sanh, goedendag

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9 – 20 March

Aquagym for Team Kahikatea

### Friday 13 March

**Mufti day – Animal theme – gold coin donation**

Friday 27 March

Junior Module Maths Games – 12noon

Tuesday 17 March

BOT meeting 6:15pm in the Sky Room – all welcome

Thursday 26 March

Hanmer Camp Parent Information Evening at 7:00pm in the Rae McDonald

Library Information Centre

Tuesday 31 March

Team Miro REACH Reward at 1:30pm – please note change of date

Wednesday 1 April

Last day for Term One for the children – children dismissed at 3:00pm

### Thursday 2 April

**Teacher Only Day – School is closed for instruction**

Monday 20 April

Term 2 begins

### Friday 25 April

**ANZAC Ceremony**

5 – 8 May

**Year 5 – 6 camp**

7 – 8 May

**Year 4 camp**

*Banks Avenue School trip / event postponements and or cancellations will only be heard on  
NEWSTALK ZB 1098AM and CLASSIC HITS and viewed on our website: [www.banksave.school.nz](http://www.banksave.school.nz)*

**SCHOOLGEN LINK:** <http://schoolgen.co.nz/schoolgen-schools/banks-avenue-school-christchurch>

Dear Parents and Whānau

A big Banks Avenue School welcome to the following children and their families to our Banks Avenue School community.



Teralee Hammond  
Rm 9



Sapphire Growcott  
Rm 21

Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou – a warm welcome to you all.

**A very busy school!** We have lots happening across all teams with a parent reading session, cycle safety, a show and swimming. We have even fitted in some learning.



Once a week, on a Thursday at 2:30pm, we have a coffee van in the junior school area for any parents who would like to come early, buy a coffee and sit around for a chat with other parents.

### Rabbits to give away!

One of our school families has some Flemish giant rabbits to give away. Ring Nadine on 386 3004, if you are interested.



### Volunteer Gardener

Are there any parents or grandparents who would like to come to school on a regular basis (or even for a couple of hours now and again) to help maintain our lovely gardens. If you can help call into the office to



see me.

**Mufti Day**  
**This Friday, 13 March**  
**Animal Theme**

**Gold coin donation to support:**  
*Surf lifesaving and Canine Rescue.*

### Chocolate Fundraising

WOW we have **raised \$13,000** from our chocolate sales! We still have many boxes left over so if you



would like to challenge yourself and sell more come and see Ms Mora who will organise for you to get more boxes. We will be extending our sales until mid March. Great work everyone!!!

### **Congratulations Swimmers**

On Monday we had five senior students represent Banks Avenue School at the North East Zone Swimming Champs. Well done Kate, Elizabeth, Siri, Reese and Trisha.

### **ANZAC Remembrance Ceremony**

On Friday 25 of April we are having an ANZAC ceremony at 2:30pm. We invite parents and grandparents to attend this ceremony. Any family members who have been in the army will be treated as guests of honour on the day. Children in all teams will be learning about ANZAC day and we will have a special memorial garden set up. There will be more details about this event in our first newsletter in Term 2



### **Safety Concern**

Each morning we will have senior pupils manning the gate to the staff carpark. Their job will be to keep the gate closed so parents cannot swing in to drop off children causing a safety issue for other children.



### **Drills & Skills with Canterbury Rugby**

On Monday evening we attended a Crusaders 'Skills and Drills' session at Tothills Maze. Our families came with us and we were lucky to meet Sam Whitelock, Jordan Taufua and Billy Guyton. Sam Whitelock was funny – in the game of Octopus he acted like he was going hard out but he was actually just jogging – they were all incredibly fit. We had a kicking competition and other competitions. Four of us won rugby balls and one of us won a scarf in the quiz. We took heaps of photos. At the end we all got to do the maze and even though it was a barbecue by the time the children got to the food the adults had eaten all the sausages and bread and there were only crusts for the children. You can't win them all and we had a fantastic time. Everyone went home with a smile on their face and a free pump!

**Josh, Daniel, Zander, Lyle and Riley**



## 'HOT SHOT' LEARNER



**Congratulations Jessie Kennington from room 27. Jessie is a self motivated and resourceful learner with a true passion for achieving to the best of her ability. She is a role model with REACH values and is humble about her many achievements.**

**Well done Jessie. 😊**

### **PTA NEWS**

**Next meeting:**

**Monday 30 March  
7:00pm in the staffroom  
All welcome**

**Second Hand Uniforms** – the shop will be open  
from: 8.30 – 9:00am  
2:45 – 3:15pm  
on the following days:  
Friday 13 March  
Friday 27 March

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Next meeting**

**Tuesday 17 March at 6:15pm  
In the Sky Room  
All welcome**



***"Remember that children, marriages and flower gardens reflect the kind of care they get."***