



ROYDVALE SCHOOL

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TERM DATES

2009

Term 4 - 12
Oct. - 16 Dec.

2010

Term 1 - 2 Feb.
-- 1 April

Term 2 - 19
April - 2 July

Term 3 - 19
July - 24 Sept.

Term 4 - 11
Oct. - 16 Dec.

Pictured are children from the Middle Syndicate during a Maths lesson. The children are, pictured from left to right: Emily Overton, Angus Lill, Chelsea Springer, Josh Fairbrother, Phil Cairns and Bella Ambrosius.

CANTEEN BANDANA DAY TOMORROW (ON SALE AT SCHOOL)

PTA MUFTI DAY NEXT WEDNESDAY - GOLD COIN

Fostering a Future Generation

OUR VISION

OUR CHILDREN WILL BECOME:

- confident, active contributors
- motivated and independent learners
- skilful and knowledgeable thinkers
- who have a spirit of generosity



AT ROYDVALE SCHOOL WE VALUE:

- Respect
- Responsibility
- Perseverance
- Learning

Dear Parents

What a wonderful first few days we have had with the weather this term, long may it continue. It has been great to see your children's smiling faces this week, as they reunite with their classmates and teachers and tell their holiday news.

It has been amazing to see the number of children participating in summer sports teams for the school this term. Thank you to Samir Yousuf for the organization of the close to 180 children who are in touch and hockey teams and to Catherine Bartlett and Shelly Morley who have been selling the new sports tops and fielding many calls about touch. Thanks also to the many staff members and parents who are giving up their own time to coach the various hockey, touch and cricket teams.

Thank you very much to those people who have contacted us this week to inform us that their child will be turning 5 and starting school next year. Having this information is incredibly helpful when determining classes for 2010. We still only have a handful of names of children turning 5 between January and July next year. This compares to almost 40 this year! I'm positive there are children who are either siblings of current students or are living in our enrolment zone due to turn 5 during 2010. It would be extremely helpful if we had the names of these children as soon as possible.

The following is repeated from the last newsletter of Term 3.

The process of organising class placements for the 2010 academic year has already begun. Class placements are a complex process in determining the most appropriate groupings for children with whom they will learn for the following year. Children's academic and social needs are taken into account when being placed.

Like this year, there will be composite classes at Roydvale in 2010. Sometimes there can be confusion and anxiety from parents if their child is placed in a composite class. Younger children are not placed in a composite class because they are the most able of their year level; conversely older children in a composite class are not there because they are the least able of their year level. ALL children whether they are in a straight year level class or a composite class are taught depending on their individual needs. Regardless of the class that children are placed in, their academic and social needs will be catered for.

As educational professionals, the staff know your children very well when considering placements for 2010 classes. However if there are any extraordinary circumstances that you believe we are not aware of, and which may need to be considered when determining class placements, please put these in writing to me by Friday 23 October. Class placements for 2010 will be included in the end-of-year report in December.

Have a fantastic weekend

Paul

Paul Dolan
Principal

SUMMER UNIFORM

A reminder that summer uniform should be worn during Term 4 and Term 1. There is a transition period for the new uniform and all children should be wearing this by February 2011. Hats must be worn during Term 4 and Term 1. If your child does not bring their hat he/she will need to play in the shade.

SOS

The Middle Syndicate needs your old newspapers! If you have any to spare, can you please drop off to Mr Perriam in Room 11. Thank you.

VISION AND HEARING SCREENING - REMINDER FOR PARENTS

All children will have had their eyesight and hearing screened by a vision hearing tester (VHT) by the end of their first year at school, either at a B4 school check or as a new entrant. All children's eyesight is checked again at Year 7 and the boys are also given a colour vision test.

If you or your child's teacher is concerned about your child's eyesight or hearing at any other time you are still able to ask for a free check from the school VHT. Just phone the school and ask to have your child's name put on the list for the VHTs next arranged visit to the school.

Parents can also phone the school public health nurse who is able to check your child's eyesight at school any time and/or arrange for you to bring your child to have a free hearing test at Burwood Hospital. This test is usually easier to have done in the school holidays when the vision hearing testers are not at schools.

If there are any concerns with your child's vision you will normally be asked to take your child to an optometrist or an eye specialist. If your child is **15 years or under** and you have a **community services card**, your child will qualify for a subsidy of \$280 towards the cost of an eye test and glasses. This means the cost of the eye test will be **free**, and if your child needs glasses as well, you will generally pay only a very small amount, if any, depending on the price of the glasses. Your child can receive this subsidy once a year, so please take them back for a check up each year. It is important that their eyesight is checked regularly as they might need stronger or larger glasses, or they may have lost them!

All children need to be able to see and hear as well as possible to ensure they can learn and achieve their best. **Please phone me** if you have any concerns and I will let you know what to do next and where to go.

Catherine Dowle
Public Health Nurse
Ph 383 6877 ext 99620

SCHOOL PHOTOS

These will be taken on Friday 6 November. The photographer will be taking families/siblings, individual and class photos. The planned timetable is as follows:

8.30 am - families and siblings photos. It is the parent's responsibility to assemble the group/s that they would like to have photographed. After 9.00 the running order will be as follows:

Room 10
Room 5
Room 8
Room 7
Room 1
Room 2
Room 3
Room 4
Room 11
Room 12
Room 13
Room 14
Room 9
Room 6

Sports News

Touch Rugby at Nunweek Park: Touch rugby got off to a great start on Tuesday of this week. A big thank you to the parents who have volunteered to coach or assist a team this season. Also, many thanks to all parents and children for being extremely patient with the many new systems in place this year - new uniform requirements, different field placings at Nunweek Park and the logistical issues we have had with so many children playing. It all seemed to go smoothly on day one and everyone looked great in their new tops! A training schedule for touch teams is listed below. Please DO NOT call the office for sports draws - all this information is posted on the school notice board, the school website, in the previous weeks newsletter and also on the touch website - www.sportsground.co.nz/nunweekjuniortouch.

Summer Hockey at Nunweek Park: Summer hockey starts next week at Nunweek Park. Please ensure your child has a sports top (purchased from the office) before Friday of this week. Draws are posted on the school notice board, the school website, in the previous week's newsletter and also on the hockey website - www.canterburyhockey.org.nz. This website links automatically to 'sporting pulse' where the entire season's draws are now listed. Please DO NOT call the office for sports draws. Best of luck to all children for their first game.

Athletics: The whole school are having athletics sprints next Friday 23rd October from 12.45 - 3.00pm. There will be a shared picnic lunch from 12.00pm so please come along and enjoy a great afternoon of athletics! Specific timings and details are on posters around the school.

Team	Opposition	Result	Player of the Day	Next Game
Touch Rugby Rippers	Results and player of the day will always be in the following weeks newsletter.			Tue. 20th Oct: 6.05pm Pap. Panthers: Fld 8
Touch Rugby Racers	Results and player of the day will always be in the following weeks newsletter.			Tue. 20th Oct: 6.05pm Elm. Eagles: Fld 9
Touch Rugby Rhinos	Results and player of the day will always be in the following weeks newsletter.			Tue. 20th Oct: 5.30pm Roydvale Ravens: Fld 8a
Touch Rugby Rabbitohs	Results and player of the day will always be in the following weeks newsletter.			Tue. 20th Oct: 5.30pm FOS Thunder: Fld 1b
Touch Rugby Ravens	Results and player of the day will always be in the following weeks newsletter.			Tue. 20th Oct: 5.30pm Roydvale Rhinos: Fld 8a
Touch Rugby Robots	Results and player of the day will always be in the following weeks newsletter.			Tue. 20th Oct: 5.30pm C. Dragons: Fld 5b
Touch Rugby Roosters	Results and player of the day will always be in the following weeks newsletter.			Tue. 20th Oct: 5.30pm C. Jets: Fld 6a
Touch Rugby Rainbows	Results and player of the day will always be in the following weeks newsletter.			Tue. 20th Oct: 5.30pm Cots. Nippers: Fld 6b
Tuesday Hockey Renegades	First game of the season - good luck!			Tue. 20th Oct: 4.30pm Medbury Bulldogs: Grd 2
Tuesday Hockey Riggers	First game of the season - good luck!			Tue. 20th Oct: 4.30pm Isleworth Tigers: Grd 1
Tuesday Hockey Racoons	First game of the season - good luck!			Tue. 20th Oct: 4.00pm Medbury Eels : Grd 1
Monday Hockey Rockets	First game of the season - good luck!			Mon. 19th Oct: 5.00pm H. Hounds: Grd 2
Monday Hockey Rangers	First game of the season - good luck!			Mon. 19th Oct: 5.30pm Merrin Mob: Grd 2
Monday Hockey Rovers	First game of the season - good luck!			Mon. 19th Oct: 5.00pm H. Hawks: Grd 1
Monday Hockey Rattlers	First game of the season - good luck!			Mon. 19th Oct: 5.30pm Merrin Magic: Grd 1

Please note that payment is now due for Summer Touch and Hockey, \$17 per child per sport. You can pay by internet banking, Eftpos, cheques or cash.

TRAINING TIMES FOR SUMMER TOUCH RUGBY TEAMS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime 12.45 - 1.30pm		RHINOS RACERS RABBITHS	ROOSTERS	RAVENS	ROBOTS
After school 3.00 - 3.45pm					
Before the game 5.00 - 5.30pm		RAINBOWS			

TBC - RIPPERS

Y5/6 CRICKET

We have entered six teams in the Milo Trophy Cricket Competition. This will involve 60 Y5 & 6 children playing up to 4 games of cricket on Friday afternoons during Term 4. Notices will be issued in the next few days outlining specific details and draws for each team.

SCHOOL BANKING

A reminder school banking is every Wednesday. You can drop your deposits off to the office before school. For those still looking to open an account, forms are available at the office or you can email tina.moody@nbnz.co.nz.

SCHOOL FAMILIES

This week we welcome the following children to our school: Keiran O'Connor, Emma Van Vianen, Robert Tuitaue.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

16 October	Canteen Bandana Day
21 October	Whole School Mufti Day - gold coin donation
23 October	Whole School Sprint Races
20 October	Chch Schools Music Festival, rehearsal am, performance 7.30 pm at the Town Hall
26 October	Labour Day - school closed
27 October	Middle Syndicate Athletics (pp 29 October)
28 October	Senior Athletics (pp 30 October)
30 October	PTA Halloween Disco
6 November	School Photos - Families, Individual and Class
9 November	NW Zone Athletics at QEII whole day
11 November	Speech Finals at Breens Intermediate School
13 November	Show Day - school closed
29 November	School Picnic at Spencer Park 10 am - 2 pm
25 November	New Parent/Parent Helpers Morning Tea , 10.30 - 11.00 in the staffroom
25 November	Musical Showcase Assembly 1.30 pm
1 December	Centrals Athletics at QEII all day
3 December	Reports home
9 December	Seniors trip to Quail Island
14 December	Carols Evening, tea 5 - 6pm, Carols 6 - 7 pm
15 December	Leaver's Assembly pm, Leaver's BBQ 3.00 -5.00 pm
16 December	School closes at <u>12.30 pm</u>

CANTEEN BANDANAS FOR SALE / BANDANA DAY

This Friday it is Bandana Day. The School Council will be selling bandanas on behalf of Canteen outside the Library before and after school and during lunchtime. The cost is \$4 each, they come in a range of colours and there is even a Daniel Carter one this year! Children are able to wear bandanas on Friday in support of this worthwhile charity.

PTA News

This term:

SUNBLOCK - Tubes \$7.50, roll on \$6.00 available from the office.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE - Please remember that sausages will be available at the Whole School Sprints on Friday 23 October. Please complete the tear-off slip to indicate if you will be ordering. Please do not send any money, you must pay on the day.

CARTERS STOCKTAKE - A huge thank you to everyone who gave up their time last Saturday to help with this fundraiser. We raised \$435.00 for our efforts.

BIG PIRANA FUNDRAISER - If you ordered any Big Pirana items, they are now in the office ready for you to collect. If you are happy for these to go home with your child, please ring and let us know.

FAIR 2010 MUFTI DAY - next Wednesday 21 October

A big thank you to everyone who brought in toys for the lucky dip last term. Unfortunately we do not have enough toys for some of the age groups and for this reason we have decided to have another Mufti Day but request a gold coin donation. We will then go and buy toys for the age groups where we are short and if there is any money left over we will buy prizes for some of the other entertainment stalls.

Cards & Calendars - Order forms will be sent home in this week.

HALLOWEEN DISCO HELP REQUIRED - We will need parent helpers for the disco. If you are able to help, please complete the tear-off slip at the end of this newsletter and return to the office.

Dates for your Diary.....

30 October Halloween Disco
19 November School Picnic at Spencer Park
December Christmas Raffle

MATHLETICS

Congratulations to Daniel Lee (Year 5), Joshua Stedman (Year 5) and Liam Reekie (Year 5) - these boys came 1st, 2nd and 3rd respectively in the school for the New Zealand-wide mathletics challenge last term. A great achievement!



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WHOLE SCHOOL SPRINTS DAY 2009

Friday 23rd October

12 - 12.30 pm : Shared family picnic lunch

12.45 pm:

**50m Heats - 5Y Girls, 5Y Boys, 6Y Girls, 6Y Boys, 7Y Girls, 7Y boys,
8Y Girls, 8Y Boys, 9Y Girls, 9Y Boys, 10Y Girls, 10Y Boys**

60m Heats - 11Y Girls, 11Y Boys

**50m Finals - 5Y Girls, 5Y Boys, 6Y Girls, 6Y Boys, 7Y Girls, 7Y boys,
8Y Girls, 8Y Boys, 9Y Girls, 9Y Boys, 10Y Girls, 10Y Boys**

60m Finals - 11Y Girls, 11Y Boys

2.15 pm:

80m Heats - 9Y Girls, 9Y Boys, 10Y Girls, 10Y Boys

100m Heats - 11Y Girls, 11Y Boys

80m Finals - 9Y Girls, 9Y Boys, 10Y Girls, 10Y Boys

100m Finals - 11Y Girls, 11Y Boys

Children are to come to school in uniform BUT bring athletics clothing to change in to. (Footwear - barefeet, sneakers or spikes may be worn. Children may not run in socks).

If the day needs to be postponed, there will be a message on the school phone AFTER 8am. (3585785).

WEEKLY ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following children who have received a Weekly Achievement Award: Izaak Adams, Paul Chan, Jordan Coles, Eden Rose Stevenson, Bronte Cleghorn, Emma Gibson, Liam Reekie, Andrew Simon, Jack Edwards, Ben Samasoni, Zac Reid, Georgina Fee, Tarah Gilmore and Sarah Burton.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

Most items only \$5 each. Please call into the office if you would like to look through.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Brochures have been sent home today. Orders will close on Wednesday 28 October. There is a special Holiday Gift Books which will also come home today. That means Christmas is not far away so check it out for stocking fillers!

CORRESPONDENCE THIS WEEK

12 Oct	Choir - Notice re Christchurch Schools' Music Festival	Ms Emeleus
13 Oct	Touch Coaches Information Pack and bag	Mr Yousuf
13 Oct	Contestants BP Technology Challenge Permission Slip	Mr Robinson
15 Oct	Whole School Donation Envelopes	Board of Trustees
15 Oct	Middle Syndicate Activity Sheets	Class Teachers
15 Oct	Road Patrol Roster	Nickki Fuller

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHRISTCHURCH BOYS' CHOIR GARDEN TOUR FUNDRAISER - Sunday 8 November 1.00 - 4.30 pm. Tour includes 8 gardens plus a performance by the Christchurch Boys' Choir. Your support will help the choir on a 2010 performance tour as part of our 25th anniversary celebrations. Tickets only \$10. Please call in to the school office or ring Judy on 358-8102.

CHILDREN'S TECHNOLOGY ZONE - Registration is now open for "My First Robot" on Tuesday 27th of October, once a week for three weeks, \$60. 3:30pm-4:30pm, at St David's church, 352 Wairakei Road. Classes are limited to 5 children.

FEE FRIENDLY DRAMA CLUB - Fendalton Community Centre

Age 6-8 3.45-4.30 pm

Age 9-13 4.30-5.30 pm

Both clubs cost \$40 for 8 weeks commencing 20th October.

Contact Janet on 387 0635 or email drama_for_all@hotmail.com

DOES CHRISTMAS SHOPPING LEAVE YOU FREELING FRAZZLED? AVOID THE STRESS... Come to Us - Many Christmas gift ideas under one roof. For 4 hours only! Children's Books, Christmas Stationery, Cosmetics, Scrapbooking, Jewellery, Home Décor, Sausage Sizzle, Face Painting Saturday 17 October, 10am - 2pm. St Aidan's Church Hall, cnr Brookside Tce and Aorangi Rd.

GO IN THE DRAW TO WIN A \$200 VOUCHER OF YOUR CHOICE - Simply email or ring Jenny Hu at Ray White Church Corner. Offer runs from 1 - 31 October 2009. Email Jenny on jenny.hu@raywhite.com or ring 027-788-8781.

TOUCH/OCKEY SHOES FOR SALE - Slazenger US Size 6.5, in good condition \$10. Phone Shirley on 359-4446.



KIA ORA!

WHAT NOW & WATER SAFETY have teamed up for summer 2009 and are excited to bring you the "200m Club"!

Launched on What Now on Sunday 27th September we are running a promotion to encourage children to learn to swim 200m & enjoy water activities safely!

To become part of the 200m Club children simply need to register on the What Now website. They will then be sent their 200m Club Passport – each time they successfully swim a marked distance they need to get their passport signed off by an instructor, parent or teacher.

Once the child has completed as many of the four distances as possible, to the best of their ability, they send their passport back to What Now and in return they will receive a colored bracelet for each distance they swam, and a certificate.

So please encourage your students to register to get their passport and support them with their efforts in joining the 200m Club this summer!

What Now - www.whatnow.tv

TUESDAY BAKERY LUNCH ORDER

PLEASE NOTE PRICE INCREASE FROM BEGINNING OF TERM IV

Please complete and place order form and cash in a sealed envelope. Put in the post-box in the school office by the end of school on Monday. Lunches will be delivered to your child's classroom prior to lunchtime on Tuesday.

I would like to place the following order:

- Lunch Pack - ham and cheese roll, raspberry biscuit, cheese & bacon savoury, small tetra pack juice. Cost \$3.90 per pack.
- Salad Roll - Cost \$2.30 each.

Name Room Total enclosed \$

PLEASE NOTE PRICE INCREASE



THURSDAY SUSHI LUNCH ORDER

Name Room

- Mixed Small Pack \$3.30 Small packs contain 4 pieces of Sushi
- Tuna Small \$3.30
- Vege Small \$3.30
- Teriyaki Chicken Small \$3.30
- Salmon Small \$3.80
- Mixed Large \$6.30 Large packs contain 8 pieces of Sushi
- Tuna Large \$6.30
- Vege Large \$6.30
- Teriyaki Chicken Large \$6.30
- Salmon Large \$7.30
- Chicken Rice Ball \$2.60
- Tuna Rice Ball \$2.60
- Salmon Rice Ball \$2.60 Total enclosed \$



HALLOWEEN DISCO 30 OCTOBER

Yes, I am able to help at the Junior/Senior Disco. I would like to help on:

- door
- kitche/washing cups
- selling chips
- distributing water
- floor control (hall)
- toilet monitor
- flashing item sellers
- clean up
- I am happy to help anywhere

Name Phone Number



SAUSAGE SIZZLE Friday 23 OCTOBER

I would like to pre-order sausages for the Whole School Sprints Day on Friday 23 October. Please do not send any money, this is an indication of numbers only. Thank you.