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Please note school swimming is on Wednesdays and Fridays. Please ensure children bring their swimming gear.

Reminder: text *follow lumsdenschool* to 8987 so that you will receive immediate text notification of alerts and reminders via our twitter account (e.g. snow days, cancellations).



Dear School Friends and Families

Thanks to all of you who were able to come to Parent Interviews with Miss Madden and/or Mrs Hailes this week. I know they found it enjoyable to be able to talk about children's achievements with parents before the end of the year.



Today Maisie Mitchell made a poster which you'll see inside to advertise a very good cause which she brought to our attention. Waiau School in North Canterbury has recently reopened following the big shake but swimming won't be on the timetable. Their pool has been decimated and they're raising money for a new one. So Maisie's organising our pyjama day next Friday (9th December) to help out. Every little bit counts. Well done, Maisie.

And every bit of fuel that Crofty Farm Ltd (Jules and Carrie Adams), Walling Contracting, Kerr Inverurie Trust (Cameron and Cindy), Barford Investments Ltd (Hanks Place) has counted towards us getting \$1000 worth of free sports gear through the Southfuels Fuel for Schools Scheme. We are very grateful for their support. Any local business that receives bulk fuel deliveries from Southfuels can nominate a school to receive 1 cent for every 2 litres of fuel purchased. For more information about this scheme call 0800 THE KIDS or visit their website.

We also appreciate Inverurie Trust's support through the AFFCO Cash for schools programme, along with Castlerock Contracting Ltd, which has seen us receive \$331 recently.



Some of our children will be performing at the Lumsden Lions Senior Citizens meal on Sunday evening, and I know they will not fail to entertain! Thanks to Miss Mackay for helping them prepare for this.



"Full House" in the staffroom at playtime today, as we take the opportunity to host a Thank You morning tea for our Bible in Schools teachers, buddy readers, and other helpers who have come into school to support the children on an ongoing basis throughout the year. It's wonderful to have community input such as this, which has such a positive influence on the children.

Next week: On Tuesday we look forward to bussing to Balfour to enjoy Balfour School's Production, departing school at 10:30, returning by lunchtime; Gerry Forde visits on Tuesday afternoon to talk to our student leaders; On Thursday teachers will be released to work together to put together our long term plan for 2017, and Term 1 planning, with relieving teachers in all classes.

Finally, Andrew Pardoe-Burnett is into his last couple of weeks at Mossburn School. I have enjoyed Andrew's collegiality since I started here at Lumsden, and he has contributed much to Northern Southland events. His huge input will be missed, and I wish him and Rachael and the family all the best for their move to Tuatapere, where I know he'll do a great job at Waiau Area school.

Best Wishes

Have a good weekend. Only 8 more school days left! Ka kite ano,

Andrew Watson
Principal

Looking Ahead 2016						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					3	4 Senior Citizens performance 5.00 pm
5	6 Balfour School Production visit (whole school)	7 Mitre 10 Mega Tough Kids Event Invercargill (Year 6 attending)	8	9 Pyjama Day; Assembly 1.30 pm; "Ice Cream" Afternoon 2.00 – 3.00 pm	10	11
12 "Lumsden's Got Talent" 1.30 pm (note change of date)	13 End of Year Ceremony 7.00 pm	14 End of Term 4	15	16	17	18

Financial Contribution

Financial donations for the fourth term are now overdue. The BOT ask for donations from each family to the value of \$100 per child for the first two children and \$70 for the third per annum. We ask that you pay \$25 per child (for the first two) and \$17.50 for the third child for the fourth term as soon as possible. Alternatively you may wish to pay the full annual donation as a lump sum. Please make payment to Sharon in the office at school or directly into the school bank account 030960-0112624-00 (child/ren's name as reference). Thank you to those families who have already paid.

Announcing the arrival of SCHOOL STREAM

Reminder to download the School Stream app to receive school notifications, etc. Refer instructions in previous newsletters.

Annual Survey

Thanks to parents for your input in regard to the Annual Survey. Results will be shared early in 2017.

Bible in Schools Donations

We are looking for donations towards the cost of books for the children who attend Bible in Schools. The approximate cost for each child is \$7.50. **Please send any donations along to school in a named envelope.** We can then forward these on to the LBK Presbyterian Church who provide the books.

Lawnmowing Roster

The roster for the next 3 weeks is:

- 3/4 December Adams Family
- 10/11 December Bayer Family
- 17/18 December Bryan Family

NB: The key to the mower shed is at the Lumsden Four Square, there is a map of the area to be mown in the mower shed. If the petrol container is empty or low please contact Mackenzie Aitken phone 022 391 3152. If you are unable to mow the lawns on your rostered weekend please organise to swap with another family yourself.

VIP of the Week

Congratulations to last week's VIP recipient Hunter Baucke for rescuing a vest that was dropped on the footpath and returning it to its owner.



Wanted please

On Monday please send to school (with your child) medium sized pots i.e. ice cream container size, only if you have one. Mr Swift is donating flower plants for children to repot and give others for Christmas.

Mrs McMillan

Football Results

Wow, what an awesome evening for our 2 great teams. All of our 4 games won with flying colours!!!
Players of the Day: Jacob Sinclair and Aaron Ngakai.

Touch Southland Holiday Programme – Te Anau



TOUCH SOUTHLAND

Touch Southland Holiday Programme

Touch Southland are offering the opportunity for boys and girls aged from years 3-6 (Age 7-11) to experience and take part in a day full of Touch fun and games. The day will be run by former New Zealand Touch and Rugby representative Scott Eade.

We welcome all children wanting to come and learn and enjoy what Touch has to offer.

All children attending are reminded to bring enough food and water for the day.

COST- \$25 per child

What: Touch Southland Holiday Programme

Where: Te Anau Rugby Club, Dusky Street, Te Anau

Who: Children year 3-6 (Age 7-11)

When: 9AM-3PM Monday January 16th 2017

**Please note holiday programme running will be dependent on a minimum of 20 participants.*

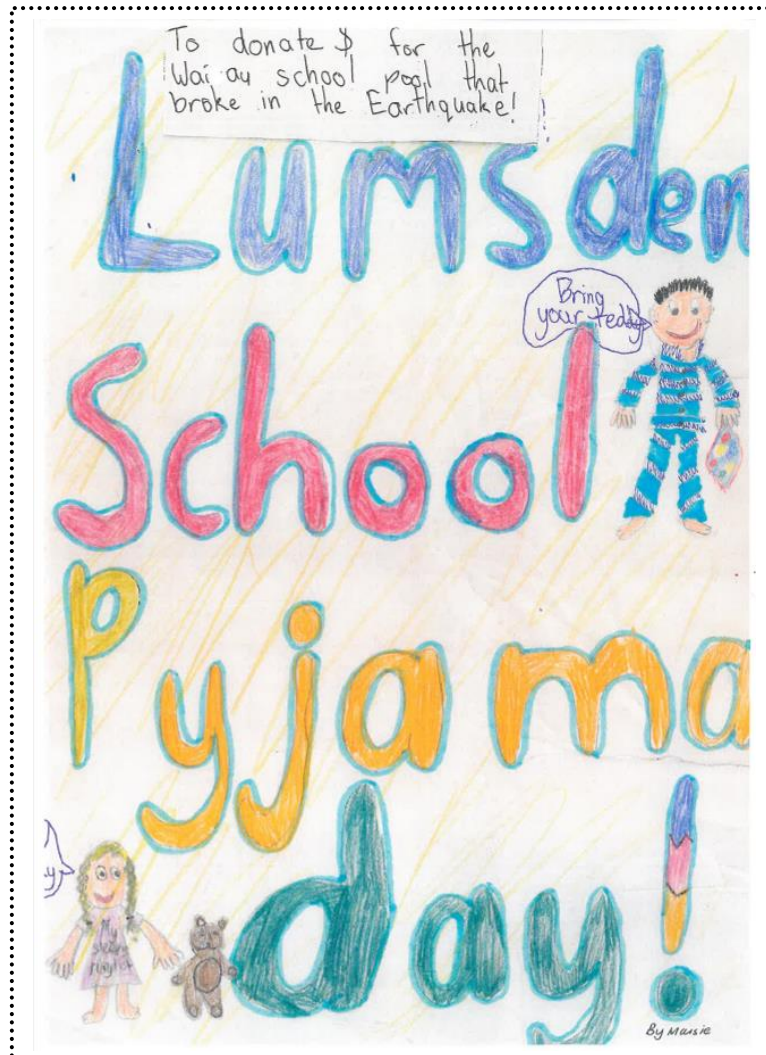
Please send completed registration form to: scott@touchsouthland.co.nz

Payment details, Internet banking: BNZ 02-0924-0098140-00 (child's name in reference "Touch H.P" in code)

Or cash/cheque to: Touch Southland, Stadium Southland PO BOX 224, Invercargill 9840

Registration forms available at the school office.

Pyjama Day!



Southland Cricket Association is pleased to announce dates for holiday programmes for the new year period in 2017:

ILT Queens Park Oval, Invercargill

Tuesday 17th January, 9-3pm; Wednesday 18th January, 9-3pm; Thursday 19th January, 9-3pm

Hamilton Park, Gore

Monday 23rd January, 9-3pm; Tuesday 24th January, 9-3pm

Te Anau Cricket Club, Te Anau

Thursday 26th January, 9-3pm; Friday 27th January, 9-3pm.

Each day will include fun, cricket-themed drills and games perfect for 6-12 year old regardless of ability. The cost is \$30 per day.

To register visit <http://www.southlandcricket.co.nz/holiday-programme>

In addition, we have 1 to 1 coaching sessions available throughout the holiday period at \$30 per session (subject to availability), to register visit <http://www.southlandcricket.co.nz/one-on-one-coaching>

Many thanks, James Carr, Cricket Development Officer, Southland Cricket Association

DAIRY WOMENS NETWORK - Tuesday 6th December "Creating Farm Rosters with DairyNZ's Roster Builder". 11.30-1.30pm, Route 6, Lumsden. FREE Event. All Welcome. Light Refreshments courtesy of Dairy NZ. RSVP now to Rebecca Dawkins 021 138 9580 rebeccajadeharris@gmail.com or Julz Orr 027 478 0148 julzandieff@gmail.com

"Feed the World"

LUMSDEN SCHOOL

TIME: Same as the lumsden school break up

LOCATION: Same as the lumsden school break up

DONATE

OLD TOYS

TO KIDS CAN

FOOD

ALL BECAUSE OF THE SONG: DO THE KNOW IT'S CHRISTMAS ?

THIS IS ALL GOING TO BE PART OF THE SCHOOL BREAK UP.

By Brianah Ware

PIC•COLLAGE

The words in one of our break up songs "Feed the World" have taken on real meaning for the children. Brianah from Room 2 has shown fantastic initiative in suggesting we have a Food Bin and a used toy bin at the entrance to the break up for anyone who would like to donate something to families facing hardship at Christmas time. Well done Brianah! Thank you for supporting this great idea.