

Kiribati Language Week!!

Kia ora koutou katoa e te whanau

David, Akelina, Beiaraoi, Taran, and Bwaranika proudly holding the Kiribati flag to celebrate Kiribati Language Week over the holidays. You could help them celebrate by greeting someone in Kiribati - **Ko na mauri.** 😊



Term 2 is nearly over and as a school we seem to have arrived here in great shape. Attendance for this Term is still at 70% of students meeting the Government target of being at school at least 90% of the time. We have another 20% who are just below this figure. Our boys are currently beating our girls with over 75% attending regularly.

You will have received mid-year student progress reports through Hero on Friday and hopefully they make sense. If you have questions, please feel welcome to contact your child's teacher. I am also keen to gather some parent feedback, and you can [add any thoughts you have here](#).

I'd like to congratulate three of our representative runners who competed at the SC Primary Schools' event recently. They were all top 20 athletes with Corban Rooney 19th Year 5 boys, Sophie Thornley 6th Year 5 girls, and Jake hand 6th Year 7 boys. These are excellent results in large and fast fields of runners!

I would also like to congratulate Chloe Darling, Year 8, who earned a Certificate of Excellence for her work this Term at TTec. The TTec staff only give out a maximum of 10 of these awards per Term to the over 800 intermediate age students they work with. We are proud of Chloe.

It's really handy to have some spare uniform at school to cover accidents, and the occasional trip down a wet slide. If you have any smaller sizes you no longer need, our Office team will gladly take them. Thank you.

God bless and stay safe over the break.

Ngā mihi
Dave



Amazing work Chloe!

Winter Prayer:

For wintertime: Thank you, God our Father.

For the beauty of the world: Thank you, God our Father.

For the soft snow and the sparkling ice: Thank you, God our Father.

For warm homes and good food: Thank you, God our Father.

For your care and protection: Thank you, God our Father.

Amen.

Faith Facts:

Stewardship:

The Catholic Church calls upon us to care for the gifts that God has given us. This includes the environment, our personal talents, and other resources. Creation provides us with the physical fabric of our lives; the natural environment gives us the stuff we use every day. It gives us the food for our tables, the material for our clothes and the materials to build our houses and churches. It is also a place where people have experienced a great closeness with God through its beauty and wonder. Creation is a gift from God and provides us with these things, the basics for our lives, yet it can so easily and so often be taken for granted. "Creation is not a property, which we can rule over at will; or, even less, is the property of only a few. Creation is a gift, it is a wonderful gift that God has given us, so that we can care for it and use it for the benefit of all, always with great respect and gratitude" (Pope Francis).

Classes Attending 9.15am Friday Mass at the Basilica:

No classes at Mass this week.

Student Sickness

With Winter upon us, there are a number of different illnesses around. If your child is miserable or unwell, please keep them home until they are well.

A reminder that if your child has a vomiting bug, they can return to school 48 hours after the last episode.

We have these rules in place to keep everyone well, including the teachers and other students.
Thank you.

Student Absences

Our Student Attendance data is being monitored closely by The Ministry of Education, and we are required to follow-up on regular student absence. If your child is absent from school, please inform us of the reason for absence via the HERO app or text the School Cell – 027 369 0947.

If your child is well, but has a Dr or Dental appointment, they are expected to attend school after their appointment. Please contact the Office to discuss.



Enrolment

Enrolments for 2027 are filling up fast. If you intend on sending your child to Sacred Heart in 2027 or 2028, please collect an enrolment form from the School Office, so we can add them to our list. It is important we have this information as soon as possible.

2026 Key Dates

3 July	Last day of Term 2
20 July	First day of term 3
28 July	Ski trip (Yr6 – 8)
30 July	Jubilate Concert (6pm in Basilica)
14 Aug	Marist Cup (Yr5-8)
25 Aug	School photos



A couple of shout outs –

Sacred Heart is at the top of the HOSS (House of Sports Simulation) Challenge for June!

And

Beauden Rooney (Year 8) has been recognised as the Southern Zone (South Island) Rugby League volunteer of the month for June!

Awesome work everyone. 😊

JULY HOLIDAYS

6th - 17th
July



BOOK NOW:

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MONDAY 6th
GAME / CHALLENGE DAY
Will you be able to win the game or beat the challenge. Come along and give it a try!!



TUESDAY 7th
STICKER & SHRINK TIME
Come and make some stickers and then shrink some things.



WEDNESDAY 8th
TRIP DAY: FLIP OUT
Time to get your bounce on and come with us for some jumping fun.



THURSDAY 9th
WINTER ART
It is cold outside so come along and stay warm having fun making art creations.



FRIDAY 10th
CLOSED
We are closed for Matariki Day



PRICING:

FULL DAY:

8am-6pm
\$57

SCHOOL DAY:

8am-3pm
\$50

PREMIUM DAY:

8am-6pm
\$67

- Premium days consist of either a trip day or an extra cost activity.

MONDAY 13th
COMIC FUN

If you like comic books then this is the day for you.



TUESDAY 14th
JEWELLERY MAKING

Will you make a necklace, a keychain or even some earrings?



WEDNESDAY 15th
PREMIUM DAY: BAKING FUN
Let your baking skills shine today. Come along and tickle your tastebuds.



THURSDAY 16th
MAKING THINGS
We are making our very own kinetic sand, and other fun things today.



FRIDAY 17th
DRESSUP PARTY TIME
Come dressed up in your fanciest outfit or your craziest costume for some party FUN!!



Location:

Waimataitai School
School Hall
25 Trafalgar St
Timaru

Contact Information:

Call: 022 6556 7263

Email:

admin@katsschoolcare.co.nz

Children's Event

Fun for the whole whānau!

FREE

Thursday 9th July 2026

12 - 2pm

VENUE: Caroline Bay Paved Area by carnival games next to the Sopheze Tea rooms

PAINT THE TOWN PURPLE

Support your local Refuge this Appeal Month

July 2026

Help us keep whanau safe

Decorate your window display

Host a purple morning tea

Wear purple

Collect gold coin donations

Let us know if you're joining in- we'd love to celebrate your support! Feel free to send us a picture to angela@scwr.co.nz of you & your team in purple so we can showcase your support across our community



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Timaru District Libraries

IN THE NIGHT-TIME

July School Holiday Programme

6-17 July 2026



Holiday Programme calendars coming soon —
check our website, Facebook, and Instagram!

July SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Come join us at HitPlay - for the JULY School Holidays, our team can't wait to see you!
For more information, call 03 423 2270 or 021 222 7770 or email info@hitplay.co.nz
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**LET'S
HAVE FUN**

Lunch options Wed & Fri

06
July



Challenge Day

07
July

Trip Day

Flip IT

08
July



MineCraft

09
July

Trip Day

CBay

10
July

Matariki

Closed

13
July



Slime & Magic

14
July

Trip Day

Museum

15
July



Circus

16
July

Trip Day

Movie

17
July



Build It

Bikes & Wheels



Bikes, scooters and all wheel related things are welcome. All children MUST have a helmet. Please keep wheels home on trip days or if expected to be wet.



What to Pack



Food for the day and a drink bottle with water
We are happy to refill water bottles



Outside - a warm jacket and sun hat
Inside - the kids are welcome to bring slippers or spare socks



Medicine - This must be signed in and in a labeled zip lock bag. Sunblock - only if your child is unable to use ours.

The Cost

Standard Day 8:00am - 5:00pm	\$50.00
School Day 8:00am - 3:00pm	\$40.00

Excursion costs as advertised online

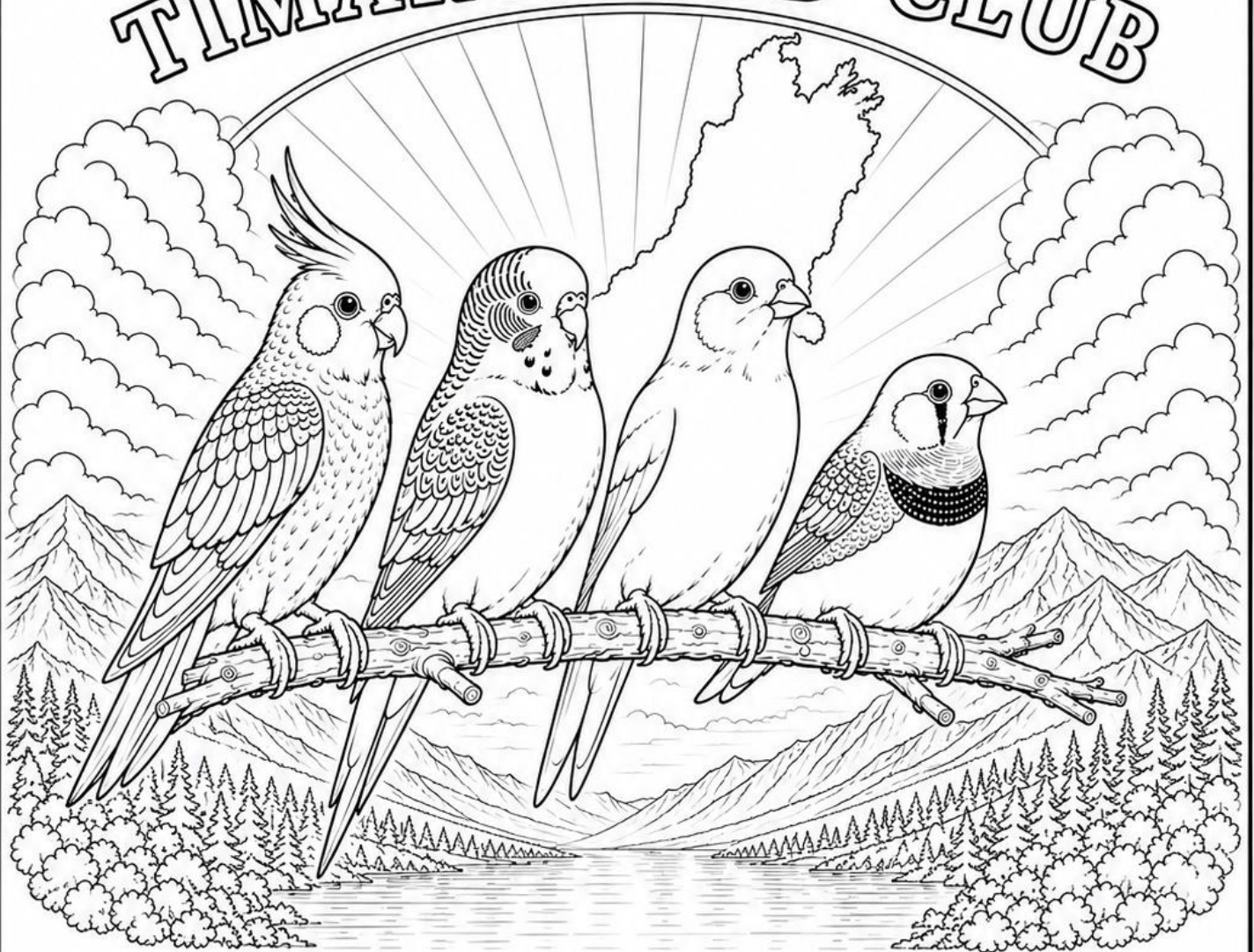
Talk to our team about a WINZ subsidy - the care you need maybe free.

Early Drop Off from 7:00am grab breakfast with us or late pick up by 6pm

Book now hitplay.co.nz

FEELING UNWELL? PLEASE STAY HOME!

TIMARU BIRD CLUB



— 82nd ANNUAL SHOW —

— SHOW DATE: 11th of July —

Name: _____ Age: _____

Email: _____

This colouring in provides free entry to your family to the timaru bird club show
Bring in your colouring and be in to win a 1x kids & 1x adult entry to CBAY

Prizes as above for each age group win

under 5

6/7

8/9

10/11

12+



Winners drawn at 4pm
Saturday the 11th July



Location
West end hall timaru



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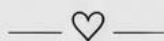


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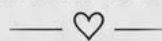
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once a month



WHERE:

St Mary's Church,
24 Church Street,
Timaru



WHEN:

Friday Nights



TIME:

5-5.45pm



CONTACT:

Catherine Anderson Director of Music at
st.marys.timaru@xtra.co.nz for more information or to sign up



IN THE NIGHT-TIME

School Holiday Programme 6-17 July 2026

TIMARU CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

Monday 6th	Tuesday 7th	Wednesday 8th	Thursday 9th	Friday 10th
Craft Make a lantern. 10am - 12pm 	Shadow Puppets Experience the fun of shadow puppets. 10am - 12pm	Craft Create a kiwi collage picture. 10am - 4pm 	Craft Make a kite to celebrate Matariki. 10am - 12pm Craft Make a star to celebrate Matariki. 2pm - 4pm (Poi and rakau will be available to try during today's sessions)	Mānawatia a Matariki  Library closed
Pyjama Storytime Join us for night-time themed stories. Feel free to wear your pyjamas! All ages. 4pm - 4:30pm	Board Games Enjoy playing a selection of board games. 2pm - 5pm	Craft Create your own picture of the Aurora Australis. 10am - 12pm	Craft Make a bat. 10am - 12pm	Preschool Storytime Join us for half an hour of stories and music. 11:30am - 12pm Building Build with magnetic tiles, Lego, Duplo and more. 2pm - 4pm 
Craft Make a woollen owl. 10am - 12pm	Hato Hone St John 'Responding to an Emergency' sessions 10am - 11am: Aimed at children aged 5 - 8. 11:30am - 12:30pm: Aimed at children aged 9 - 13. Board Games Enjoy playing a selection of board games. 2pm - 5pm	Poi and Rakau Learn some waiata using our poi and rakau sticks. 2pm - 3pm 	Mindful Colouring Relax and enjoy some colouring in the library. 2pm - 3pm 	