

## *Have a safe and happy Easter*

Tēnā koutou katoa e te whanau e hoa ma

I was very happy to see that our Literacy Quiz teams performed strongly at the recent competition at Grantleadowns School. My congratulations to both teams, and in particular to Alexa, William, Maddie & Jessica who won second place! Reading is potentially the most important academic skill for our ākonga to learn, and it cannot happen without regular practice. Perhaps you could add some more reading into your child's holiday fun – we have an awesome local Library which is free!

Would also like to acknowledge two of our senior students who have won excellence awards from their work at the Timaru Technology Centre. Our Year 7 and 8 ākonga attend technology lessons at TTec each week as do over 900 of their peers across our district. This Term, only 10 excellence awards were given out, and we won 2 of them! My congratulations to Sadie Gordon and Jessica Monaghan who showed excellence in both their work and attitude – we are proud of you.

Our Board is acutely aware that whanau are facing rising costs in many areas of life. They are currently surveying parents regarding the cost of school camps, and you can help their decision making by answering the three questions in this short survey – [Camp Cost Parent Survey](#).

As we come to the end of this Term and step into the Easter celebrations, I wish you and your whanau blessings and good wishes. The Easter miracle that we celebrate as Catholics is a shining light of hope in what are troubled times. Happily, there are plenty of opportunities for you and your family to take part in various liturgies over the next few days, and to connect with the essence of what Easter is. All the best for the break and Happy Easter!

God bless  
Dave



Students enjoyed our Holy Week Liturgy at The Basilica this morning.



### A Holy Week Prayer:

*Heavenly Father,  
We come together this week to follow in the footsteps of your Son Jesus during his last days with us. Help us to understand and feel the sadness of that journey, the sorrow of his death and the joy of the new life you gave him, the new life that we can welcome and share, the new life that we call Easter. We make this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive with you in heaven, now and forever. Amen.*

### Faith Facts - Holy Week:

Holy Week is the week that leads up to Easter Sunday. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and ends with Holy Saturday. It includes Holy Thursday (also known as Maundy Thursday), and Good Friday, which, together with Holy Saturday, are known as the Easter Triduum. Although Holy Week is solemn and sorrowful, it also anticipates the joy of Easter through the recognition of God's goodness in sending his Son to die for our salvation.

### Holy Week Mass Times:

<b>Holy Thursday</b>	7pm at St. Thomas' Church.	
<b>Good Friday</b>	10am - Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart Basilica. 3pm - The Passion, at Sacred Heart Basilica.	
<b>Easter Saturday Vigil</b>	8pm at Sacred Heart Basilica.	
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	9am at Sacred Heart Basilica. 10.30am at St. Thomas' Church (No 5pm Mass).	



Congratulations to both Jessica Monaghan and Sadie Gordon who were awarded Excellence Awards from TTEc this Term.

## Easter Raffle:

Thank you to everyone who donated Easter treats for the raffle. We had some great prizes!

Also huge thanks to the children from Room 11 who gave their time to sell the tickets.

The raffle was drawn yesterday and all winners have been notified.

Thank you all for your support with this fundraiser.

We managed to raise over \$580.00!



## Camps – Parent Survey

**The Board is very conscious that all of us are facing rising costs, and is actively looking for ways to relieve financial pressure on whanau.**

**While almost everyone agrees that camps are a special part of school life, rising costs to whanau means that not everyone can, or will, pay for them.**

**Before making any decisions, the Board would like your feedback to ensure all voices are considered.**

**The survey below will take no more than 2 minutes to complete and will help us make good decisions on this matter.**

**[School Camp Parent Survey Link](#)**

## School Lunch Orders – Term 2

Wednesday: Sausage Sizzle \$2 for sausage in bread  
Friday: Subway or Tuckshop

(Note: Tuckshop will only be available on Fridays)

## South Canterbury Swimming Sports 2026

*Congratulations to Jessica Monaghan, Beauden Rooney, Bronson Monaghan, Corban Rooney, Joshua Craig & Hugh McKay-Harding, who represented Sacred Heart at the recent South Canterbury Primary School Swimming Sports.*

### Swimming Results

Bronson Monaghan:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	9yr Boys 25m Back Stroke
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	9yr Boys 25m Free Style
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	9yr Boys 50m Back Stroke
	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	9 yr Boys Relay Combined with St Josephs
Corban Rooney:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Jnr Boys Individual Medley 100m
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	9yr Boys 50m Free Style
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	9yr Boys 25m Breast Stroke
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	9yr Boys 50m Breast Stroke
Joshua Craig:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	10yr Boys 50m Back Stroke

## Second Hand Uniforms Wanted

With the school holidays coming up, now is the perfect opportunity to have a clean out.

If you have any school uniform items (in good condition) that you would like to donate to us, these would be greatly appreciated.

We pass these on to families in need. Thank you 😊





Congratulations to the students who competed in the "KIDS' LIT QUIZ" on Monday. Both teams competed very well, with one of the teams placing 2<sup>nd</sup>. 😊



## Kids' Lit Quiz 2026







**THANK YOU!**

**SCG Quiz Night & Auction Fundraiser  
Raised \$2,600!**

Huge thanks to everyone who donated and came along — you made the night amazing!



# TEAM BLANCHARD Easter Colouring Competition

Ages 10+



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

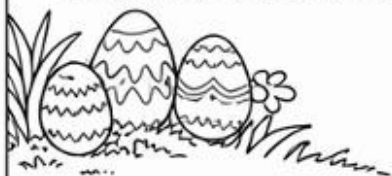
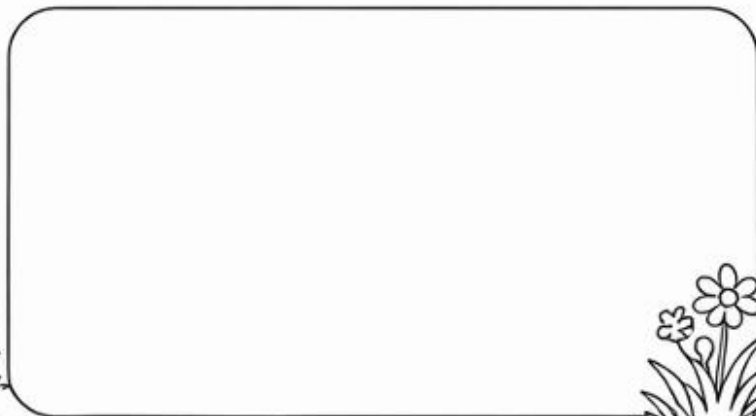
Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop completed entries into Harcourts Timaru office or share to us on social media by 4.00pm Friday 17 April 2026. Winner will be announced on Monday 20 April 2026.

## DESIGN YOUR DREAM HOME!

Draw and colour your dream home in the space below.



# TEAM BLANCHARD

## Easter Colouring Competition

Can you find all (6) hidden Easter eggs in this scene?

Age: Under 10



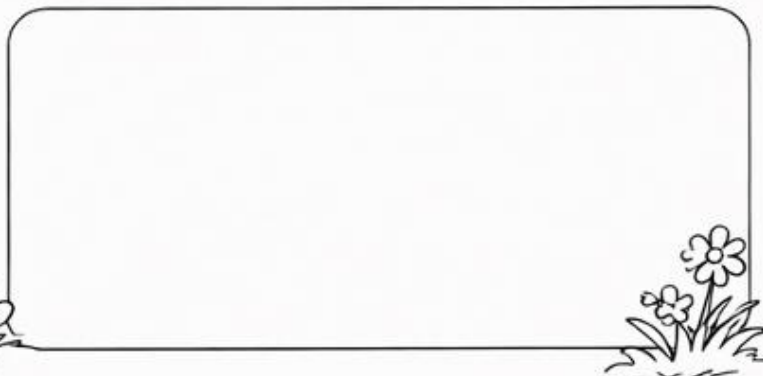
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TIMARU DISTRICT LIBRARIES

# UNDER THE BIG TOP

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME  
7<sup>TH</sup> - 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026

**Check out our website and Facebook for  
more details.**

**Holiday programme calendars out soon!**



**mrs A's**  
music school

# BUS BAND



- We have all the equipment and instruments on board. You get to experience Keyboards, Ukelele, Guitar, Bass, Drums and Singing. You can try a few instruments before you settle on one.
- It's in school time, Primary school students pop out of class for 30 minutes per week and for the first few terms in a group minimum 3 maximum 6.
- As students become more competent it will be time to advance to one to one lessons at the studio after school.

## Igniting musical passion and fun

GROUP LESSONS

INSTRUMENTS PROVIDED

VARIETY OF GENRES



**PRE ENROL AT**

[www.mrsasmusicschool.co.nz/enrol](http://www.mrsasmusicschool.co.nz/enrol)



# 11TH OF APRIL 2026

Entries Open at 12pm on the 1st of March 2026  
& Close on the 4th of April 2026



## BEST CARD OF 36 HOLES

### ENTRANTS CATEGORIES

Open (16+ years)  
Junior (8 to 16 yrs)

### COURSE LOCATION

The Shearers Quarters Mini Golf &  
The Caroline Bay Mini Golf Course

**ENTRY FEE: ADULTS \$25, JUNIOR \$15**

### SC MINI GOLF CHAMPS

**WINNER** - Flights & Accommodation for the NZ Champs +  
**WIN** - A share of over \$2,000 in prizes



### SCAN TO REGISTER

Online registration only.  
Bank deposit is required



# APRIL HOLIDAYS

6th - 17th  
April



MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup>

CLOSED  
EASTER  
MONDAY



TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup>

IT'S ALL ABOUT  
ART

Lets get crazy  
creating works  
of art with.



WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup>  
SUPER HERO DAY

Be it SpiderMan  
or your favorite  
sports player  
come dressed as  
them today.



THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup>  
BAKING DAY

What might we  
bake today....  
lolliecake,  
muffins, scone???



FRIDAY 10<sup>th</sup>  
POTS & POTS  
OF FUN

What do you  
think we can do  
with pots come  
along and see.



**BOOK NOW:**

[kats.aimyplus.com](http://kats.aimyplus.com)

## 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 13<sup>th</sup>  
PAPER DAY

There will be so  
much paper fun  
today you won't  
know what to  
do.



TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup>  
PEN & KEYCHAIN  
MAKING

We have some  
cool stuff to  
make some  
awesome things  
with today.



WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup>  
TRIP DAY:  
THE SHEARERS  
QUATERS

Time to feed  
some animals  
and a fun round  
of Mini Golf.



THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup>  
MONSTER  
MASH

Trust me these  
Monsters will be  
FRIENDLY not  
scary 😊



FRIDAY 17<sup>th</sup>  
PAJAMA PARTY

Wear your best  
PJ's today for  
some zzzzzz  
time fun 😊.



## Location:

Waimataitai School  
School Hall  
25 Trafalgar St  
Timaru

## Contact Information:

Call: 022 6556 7263

Email:

[admin@katsschoolcare.co.nz](mailto:admin@katsschoolcare.co.nz)

## Easter

EGG HUNT



Sunday 29th March

The Shearers Quarters, 1:00 – 3:30pm,

\$5.00 per person

All proceeds are going to

World Vision

Hundreds of eggs to be found!



GET BUCKETS



# BNZ KIWIIHOOPS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Register using the link or QR code below



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## 🏀 HOLIDAY HOOPERS WANTED! 🏀

Is your child ready to level up their game these holidays? We are stoked to bring the BNZ Kiwi Hoops Holiday Programme to Aorangi Stadium this April!

Whether they're a complete beginner or a seasoned pro in the making, our 2-day programme is all about building skills, making friends, and having a blast on the court.

- 📅 WHEN: 8th & 9th of April
- 📍 WHERE: Aorangi Stadium
- 👶 WHO: Year 3 through Year 8

### The Game Plan:

- ◆ Year 3/4: 9:00am – 11:00am (Foundations & Fun!)
- ◆ Year 5/6: 11:00am – 1:00pm (Skill Building & Drills)
- ◆ Year 7/8: 1:00pm – 3:00pm (Tactics & Competition)

Spaces are limited, and they will fill up fast! Join us on the court! 🧐

Register Now! 📎

<https://membership.mygameday.app/regoforum.cgi?formID=120746&programID=77368>



## Meet Kathryn Berkett

With a Master's of Educational Psychology, currently studying for her second Masters of Applied Neuroscience with King's College London, and having certified in the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics, Kathryn understands brain science.

Since 2009, she has been decoding complex neuroscience for audiences worldwide. Her knack for making tricky concepts click has earned her praise from even the most easily distracted learners.

Kathryn's enthusiasm for neuroscience is contagious. Her presentations aren't just theory – they're packed with real-world applications for your work and life. Whether you're a professional looking to upskill or simply curious about the brain, Kathryn's insights can reshape your understanding and approach to life.

### Qualifications:

- Masters of Educational Psychology
- Certified Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics Practitioner
- Currently studying towards Masters of Applied Neuroscience - King's College London



# NEUROSCIENCE PRESENTATION



**\$20 per person**  
[Click here to purchase tickets](#) or scan the QR code.

**FRIDAY APRIL 17 2026**

**9AM TO 10.30AM**

**GRANTLEA DOWNS SCHOOL HALL**

BRINGING COMPLEX NEUROSCIENCE INFORMATION TO EVERYDAY SPACES

ENGAGE delivers the latest neuroscience information to you, so you can be more informed, more aware, more engaged in what you do.



# 2026 MUD Festival

Get Muddy, Get Moving,  
Challenge Your Friends



**Saturday 11th April**  
**Rosewill Hall**  
**2 Fraser Road, Rosewill, Timaru**



# TABLE TENNIS SOUTH CANTERBURY INC.

## Primary School Table Tennis Club

“Looking for a fun after-school activity?  
A great way for kids to learn, play, and have fun!”



### Starts:

Term 2 – Wednesday,  
22nd April



### Time:

Every Wednesday,  
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM



### Venue:

Barry Butler Table Tennis  
Stadium, 96 Coonor  
Road, Timaru.

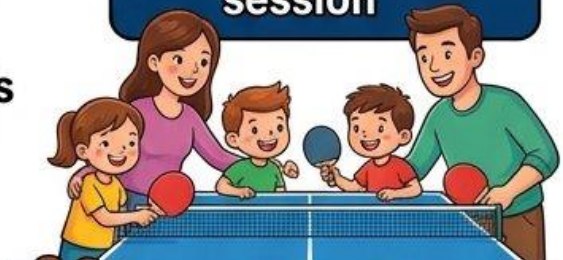


**Bats and balls  
are provided.**



### Fees:

- \$50 per term
- \$5 casual per session



**Parents welcome!**

Free admission for parents —  
come along and join in!  
Mums and dads are encouraged to  
learn and play with your kids.



### Registration:

Please send your name, email address,  
and phone number to:



[[tabletennissouthcanterbury@gmail.com](mailto:tabletennissouthcanterbury@gmail.com)]

Or simply turn up at the first session!



**Enquiries: David – 027 200 6430**

“Come along and be part of a fun and friendly environment!”





# TIMARU HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



DATE	VENUE	SESSION	TIMES	PRICE
Tue 7 April	Timaru - Sir Basil Arthur	Football Fundamentals - 7 to 12 yrs old - Boys and Girls	10am - 1pm	\$40
Tue 7 April	Timaru - Sir Basil Arthur	Girls Only Clinic 7-12 Years Old 13+	2:00pm - 3:30pm 3:45pm - 5:15pm	\$20 per session
Wed 8 April	Timaru - Sir Basil Arthur	Football Fundamentals - 7 to 12 yrs old - Boys and Girls	10am - 1pm	\$40
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Register Now: [www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/504808](http://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/504808)



# TIMARU HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



DATE	VENUE	SESSION	TIMES	PRICE
Mon 13 April	Timaru - Sir Basil Arthur	World Cup 5 vs 5 - Boys and Girls - All ages	10am - 4pm	\$60
Tue 14 April	Timaru - Sir Basil Arthur	Girls - "High Performance" 12+	10am - 3pm	\$55
Thu 16 April	Timaru - Aorangi Stadium	Futsal - 7 to 12 yrs old - Boys and Girls	10am - 1pm	\$40
Thu 16 April	Timaru - Aorangi Stadium	Futsal - 13 to 16 yrs old - Boys and Girls	2pm - 5pm	\$40

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# TMG

TODD MUDIE GROUP

## HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

FOR ALL PRIMARY AGED KIDS, 5 - 13

South Canterbury Toyota XCM HEARTLAND Technology JJJ JOHN JONES STEEL TRUST AORAKI PlaceMakers TIMARU GAMBAY TWIZEL

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## HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

CELTIC - TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
FRASER PARK

GERALDINE - WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
RAUKAPUKA RESERVE

PLEASANT POINT - THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
PLEASANT POINT DOMAIN

MACKENZIE - FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
STRATHCONAN PARK

10.30AM - 12PM

South Canterbury Toyota XCM HEARTLAND Technology JJJ JOHN JONES STEEL TRUST AORAKI PlaceMakers TIMARU GAMBAY TWIZEL

# TMG

TODD MUDIE GROUP

## HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

OLD BOYS - MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
FRASER PARK

WAIMATE - TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
MANCHESTER PARK

TEMUKA - WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
TEMUKA DOMAIN

HARLEQUINS - THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
FRASER PARK

10.30AM - 12PM

South Canterbury Toyota XCM HEARTLAND Technology JJJ JOHN JONES STEEL TRUST AORAKI PlaceMakers TIMARU GAMBAY TWIZEL

# IMPACT ART AWARDS

FORMERLY V.O.I.C.E ART AWARDS

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AWARDS EVENING AT THE YOUTH IMPACT AWARDS | 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY | CAROLINE BAY HALL

EXHIBITION 11<sup>TH</sup> - 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY | Y 7-9 SOPHIA ST TIMARU.

CASH PRIZES FOR WINNERS!

Entries close 8<sup>th</sup> May - Must be delivered to The Y, 7-9 Sophia Street

Entry Criteria:

- Open to those in South Canterbury aged 12 - 24
- Judging gives preference to works based on the Youth Week 2026 theme: *Our voices matter, we deserve to be heard - Taringa whakarongo, ki te reo o ngā taichi.*
- Entries must be ready for display. Image entries on paper must be mounted.
- No limit to size of exhibit or entries.

Categories:

- Image: Painting/Mixed Media
- Image: Drawing/Printmaking
- 3D Works: Sculpture/Installation
- Digital Media: Photography/Design & Image
- Creative: Writing/Poetry/Rhyme
- Emerging Disability Artist Award

For more information:  
Contact Jo: jo@ymcasc.org.nz or 027 225 2527

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Nominate an outstanding young person today!

# Youth Impact Awards

## South Canterbury

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Mid - South Island Women's Refuge & Family Safety Services

### Nominations Now Open

Hosted by the Y, Refugee Settlement Services, the Tongan Society SC and the Timaru District Council this is an opportunity to shine a spotlight on youth aged 12-24 in SOUTH CANTEBURY who give back, inspire others and make our community a better place.

Nominations Close : 24<sup>th</sup> of April

- Community Contribution Award
- Leadership in Action Award
- Creativity & Expression Award
- Sportsmanship & Mentoring Award
- Care & Advocacy Award
- Environment & Sustainability Award
- Disability Excellence Award
- Cultural Champion Award
- All Round Good Sort Award

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