

COTSWOLD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents & Caregivers

Welcome to the last term for 2010. A special welcome to new students and families who have started school at Cotswold during the last few weeks.

We have a very full programme for term four with students being involved in a wide variety of academic, sporting and cultural activities including Music Festival, Cycle Safety, Athletics, Duathlon, Swimming and Marae Visits.

Our school theme for 2010 is LETS – Learning and Exploring Together to Succeed. Each term students will be involved in a unit with a school-wide common theme. Our theme for this term is **Let's Explore and Communicate**. This theme will be based primarily in the Science curriculum area. We will also incorporate the Cotswold Challenge values into this terms programme.

Our Let's Explore and Communicate unit focus on children exploring and learning about light. Children will explore the following deep understandings:

- The process of actively seeking, making sense, using and creating knowledge.
- That generating and testing ideas develop knowledge.
- Investigate and explain the world around them.

Thank you to The Lion Foundation who recently made a grant of \$3,000.00 to assist us with the purchase of new sport uniforms. This grant will greatly assist us in providing more uniforms for our growing school sporting community. Thank you The Lion Foundation.

Welcome to Caitlin Kemp and Lauren Webb who have recently joined our teaching staff. Caitlin has established a New Entrant class in Room 21 while Lauren will establish a New Entrant class in Room 22.

STEPHEN HARRISON
Principal





CONGRATULATIONS NGA TAI TAMARIKI AROHA

On Wednesday September 1st Nga Tai Tamariki Aroha performed at The Cultural Festival 'Let's make a Splash' at the Christchurch Town Hall. While there were a few nerves at the start, everyone really enjoyed the performance and the boys committed to a powerful haka. You all performed with great passion. Tino pai tamariki! Thank you to all the parents who came out to support our Kapahaka group and also thanks heaps for the assistance with transport.

TERM 4, 2010 STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Outlined below are the items/activities you will find on your child's Term 4, 2010 invoice which went home with the students the last week of Term 3. Please contact the office if you have not received this invoice.

- **Senior School Christmas Activities**

This money will cover the cost of Christmas activities for children to take home when finished.

- **Marae Experience**

All students will experience a Marae visit, the Powhiri ceremony and hands on activities. This is a key aspect of the New Zealand Curriculum which acknowledges the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi and the bicultural foundations of Aotearoa New Zealand. (This was invoiced on the Term 1 2010 invoice and may have already been paid by some families – it will only appear on your statement if it is still owing or if you are new to Cotswold since T1, 2010.)

- **Y2-6 Swimming at Jellie Park**

All Y2-6 students will be travelling by bus to and from Jellie Park for nine swimming lessons from the 8-19th November 2010.

- **The Minstrel – Hiwi the Kiwi Show**

A musical show with a New Zealand conservation theme coming to school on Tuesday 2nd November 2010.

TERM 4, 2010 DATES

Monday 11th October to Thursday 16th December 2010

School will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays on the following holidays:

- Labour Day – Monday 25th October
- Canterbury Anniversary Day – Friday 12th November

ATHLETIC SPORTS 2010

Date:

- Thursday 21st October, 2010

Postponement:

- Friday 22nd October, 2010
- Postponement Announcement:
 - Will be announced on 92MoreFM & NewsTalkZB.
 - On our message centre – 359-8035 option 2. Please do not ring the school office.

Groupings:

- All Year 4 to Year 6 students will participate in our Athletic Sports – Rooms 5 – 9 & 12.

Start Time

- 9.10 am – Students assemble on the field

Finish Time

- 3.00pm

Programme Order

NB: Planned Programme & **Approximate Running Times**. If ground conditions are damp under foot at the start of the day, House Relays may be moved forward to 9.35am.

9:00 – 9:30am	Assembly/Distance Run (9 - 11 Yrs)
9:35am	Round 1
10:00am	Round 2
10:25am	Round 3
10:55am	Round 4
11:20am	INTERVAL
11:45am	Round 5
12:05pm	Round 6
12:30pm	LUNCH
1:20pm	Round 7
1:45pm	Round 8
2:10pm	Cards Collected
2:20pm	House Relays

Clothing Requirements

- Sunhats
- Sun Block
- Drink Bottle
- Clothing suitable for running, jumping and throwing
- Safety-pin for scorecard





JUNIOR SCHOOL DUATHLON

This year we will be holding the Junior School Duathlon on the 19th October, 2010 (p/p 20th October).

- Year 0-1 races will be held on the day from 11.30am until 12.40pm.
- The year 2/3 races will be from 1.40-3.00pm.

Requirements:

All children participating in the Duathlon need:

- A helmet (scootering and biking)
- Suitable running clothing
- Named drink bottle
- Warm clothing

All children are required to wear a helmet during the scootering/ biking section of the Duathlon. If the children don't have a helmet on the day they will not be able to participate.

The Running Of The Event:

On the morning of the Duathlon (Tuesday 19th October) the year 2/3 children are to place their bikes on the grass area at the back of the school (the old pool area). Each classroom will have a designated area to place their equipment. We are hoping to have two class sets of scooters that the Year 0/1 children can use for their race.

Ten minutes prior to the class racing, senior school children will help relocate the equipment to the transition area. The children will be sent in waves (girls and boys) within their classroom time. Every child will receive a participation award and a 1st, 2nd, 3rd (boy/ girl) prize for each class.

All classroom teachers have a copy of the course and the children will be walked around the course prior to racing to ensure they familiarize themselves with the course. On the reverse of this sheet is a map outlining the course.

Distances

The children involved will be running, scooter/ cycling 1.0km and then finishing with a run. The Duathlon will be held inside the school grounds.

- Year 0 & 1 - 200m run/ 1.0km scooter/ 100m run
- Year 2 & 3 - 500m run/ 1.0km bike / 200m run

Programme Order

NB: Planned Programme & Approximate Running Times only.

Year 0 & 1 (11.30-12.40) approximate times only

Room 21/22	11.30am
Room 1	11.40am
Room 2	11.50am
Room 3	12.00pm
Room 4	12.10pm
Room 13	12.20pm
Room 14	12.30pm

Year 2 & 3 (1.40-2.50) approximate times only

Room 15	1.40pm
Room 16	1.50pm
Room 17	2.00pm
Room 18	2.10pm
Room 19	2.20pm
Room 20	2.30pm
Room 10	2.40pm
Room 11	2.50pm

We look forward to seeing you there.

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

A reminder that school will be closed on **Labour Day – Monday 25th October, 2010.**

CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY HOLIDAY

A reminder that school will be closed on Show Day - **Friday 12th November, 2010.**

SUNHATS

A reminder that all pupils are required to wear a sunhat during the lunch break during Term 4. Our school uniform code stipulates that this must be a blue or navy wide brimmed (cricket or bucket style) hat. Hats can be purchased from Postie+ or The Warehouse. Hats are no longer sold through the school office. All pupils who do not have a sunhat will be required to sit on the veranda on the east side of our new school hall. We would appreciate your assistance by ensuring your child has a hat at school. This procedure operates during Terms 1 & 4.





B.O.T. MEETING DATE

The Board of Trustees will meet in the school staffroom at 7.00pm on the following date:-

- Monday 18th November

2011 TERM DATES

Term 1, 2011	Monday 31 January to Friday 15 April
Term 2, 2011	Monday 2 May to Friday 15 July
Term 3, 2011	Monday 1 August to Friday 3 September
Term 4, 2011	Tuesday 25 October to Wednesday 14 Dec

Schools will be closed in 2010 on Saturdays and Sundays and on the following holidays:

- Queen's Birthday - Monday 6 June
- Canterbury Anniversary Day – Friday 11 November

POLICY REVIEW

This term we are reviewing the following policies:

- Education Outside The Classroom
- Sun Protection

We'd welcome you feedback and ideas. Please:

1. Visit the website <http://cotswold.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>.
2. Enter the user name (Cotswold) and password (elephant).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the right hand top corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter the password "pin".
8. Enter your name (optional).
9. Submit your ratings and comments.

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can easily provide you with printed copies of the policy and the review form.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The last day for ordering through the School Office is Friday 22nd October 2010. Please make payment with your order in the envelope provided and bring to the Office. Late orders are to be dealt with directly to Heritage.

REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPS

A big Hi 5 to Byron Heath and Alana Wouters who represented Canterbury at the Year 5/6 Inter-Provincial Cross Country Champs in Hamner Springs. Special congratulations to Byron who was placed 2nd in the Year 5 Boys' race. His Canterbury team finished 2nd in the teams' event.

NEW ZEALAND GYMNASTIC CHAMPS

10, 10, 9.5, 10 to Catrina Hurring who represented Canterbury at the National Gymnastic Champs in Hamilton during the holidays. Catrina gained the following results in the level 4 disciplines;
All round Individual 3rd
Team Competition 2nd

SOUTH ISLAND FOOTBALL CHAMPS

Nice going lads! and well done to Cotswold's Canterbury Footballers. Thomas Fraser and Byron Heath (10th Grade). Jacob Anderson and Cameron Emberton (11th Grade). The lads competed in the South Island Football Tournament in Nelson during the holidays. Their teams were placed 1st and 3rd respectively.

YMCA BASKETBALL

Well done to all our children who have been involved in the Year 5/6 basketball competition at the YMCA. You can all be very happy with your positive and hard working season.

Congratulations to the following teams who went through the season unbeaten. Unfortunately the Canterbury Quake meant they missed out on playing their final.

Division 1 Cotswold Colts

Division 3 Cotswold Cubs

Thanks to the coaches of our Basketball teams.

WAY 2 GO

'Way 2 Go' to the following Cotswold CPSSA Winter Sport Teams who have achieved well in the world of sport. Special thanks to our coaches and parents who supported our teams. It was great to see all our teams giving 100% on and off the field and picking up 'Fair Play' Awards for their efforts.

- Netball Cotswold A – 1st D Grade
- Netball Cotswold B – 1st M Grade
- Table Tennis Cotswold A – 2nd Section 2
- Table Tennis Cotswold B – 2nd Section 3
- Hockey Cotswold - 2nd E Grade
- Football Cotswold A – 3rd A Grade
- Rugby Cotswold – 3rd A Grade





COTSWOLD SCHOOL ... BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES

SPORTS UNIFORM AMNESTY

It's that time of year where we greatly appreciate the return of **any** sports uniforms from 2010 or earlier, that you find in cupboards or drawers.

Missing uniforms include: Basketball Singlets, Touch Shirts and Shorts. Football Shirts, Socks and Rugby Jerseys. Please return to Peter Harper.

BRING BACK BULLRUSH

Well done to all the girls and boys who took part in the Tuesday lunchtime Bullrush sessions. It was great to see you all enjoying the challenge of getting to the end when called upon! We hope to see you all back next year.

TOUCH, SUMMER HOCKEY & BASKETBALL MINI JAMMERS

Cotswold has 20 Touch, 4 Hockey, 4 Basketball Teams involved in these competitions.

Touch Year 0-2

Heroes	Titans	Giants
Dynamite	Pirates	Nippers
Sparks	Dragons	Jets

Touch Year 3-4

Champions	Rockets	Rebels
Crusaders	Sharks	Pacers

Touch Year 5-6

Touchdowns	Dodgers	Hurricanes
Rams	Volts	

Summer Hockey Year 4-6

Fit Sticks	Blue Sticks	White Sticks
Sensations		

Basketball Jammers Year 3-4

Comets	Crocs	Coyotes
Cobras		

We wish all team members well for their up and coming season. Special thanks to the coaches and managers of all our squads.

Rescheduled:

Scholastic Book Fair

*This is your chance to support the School Library and at the same time to get:
Great Books, Gifts, Birthday and Christmas Presents for your children.*

We will be holding a book fair in the Information centre

Tuesday 19 October – Friday 22 October

8.30-9.30am & 2.30-3.30pm daily

(open until 5.00pm Thursday 21st October)

A wide range of new good quality books and other material will be available at retail prices.

The School Library will receive a % of the total sales to purchase more books.

Payment by Eftpos, credit card, cash or cheque



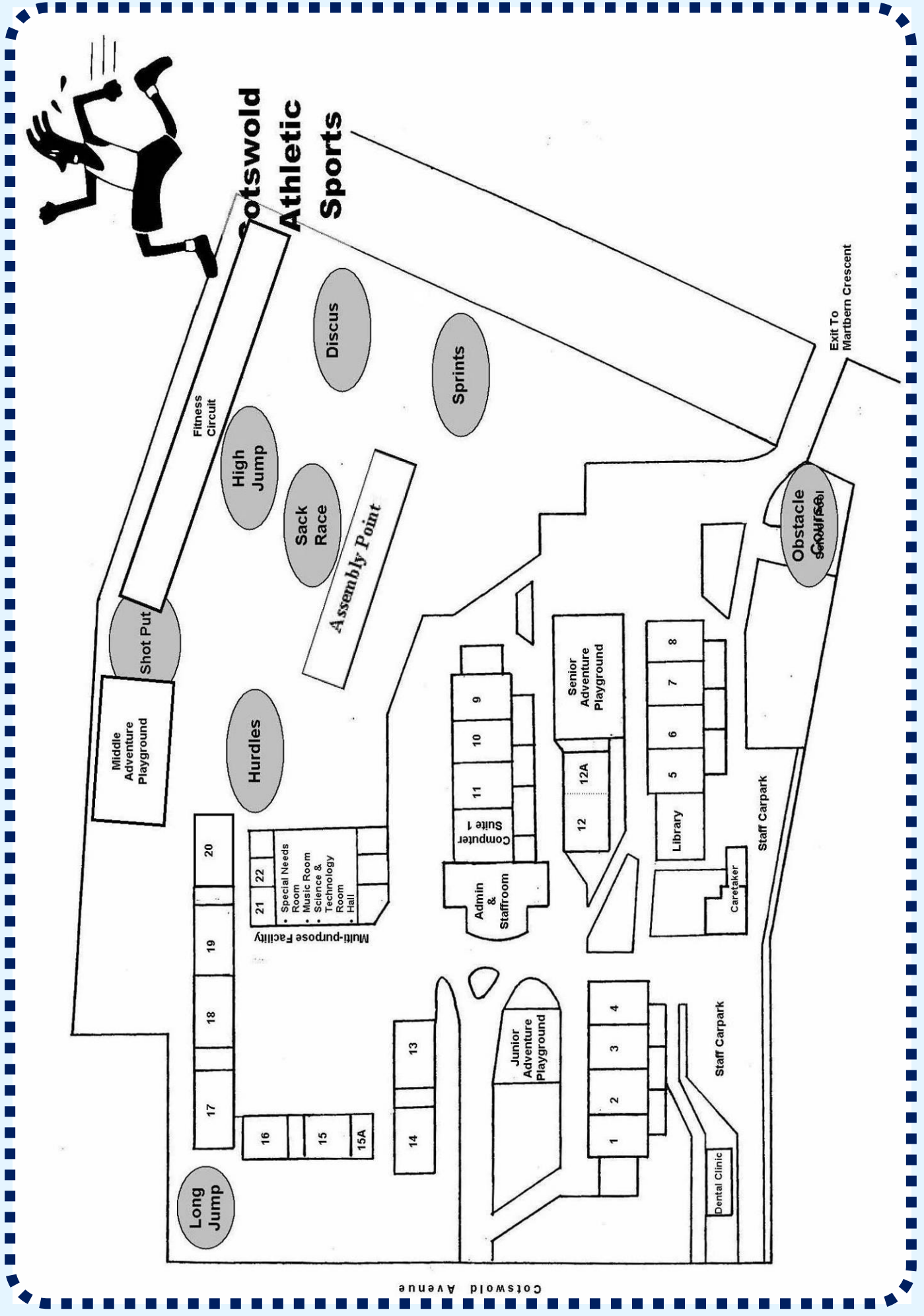
Can you help at the book fair?

Parent help is needed for ½ hour before and after school each day. If you are able to help for all or part of the week please contact

*Lynda Collins in the School Library
(ph 359 8035 ext 810) by 14th October.*



COTSWOLD SCHOOL BRIGHTER FUTURE



COTSWOLD SCHOOL CALENDAR

11 October - 19 December 2010

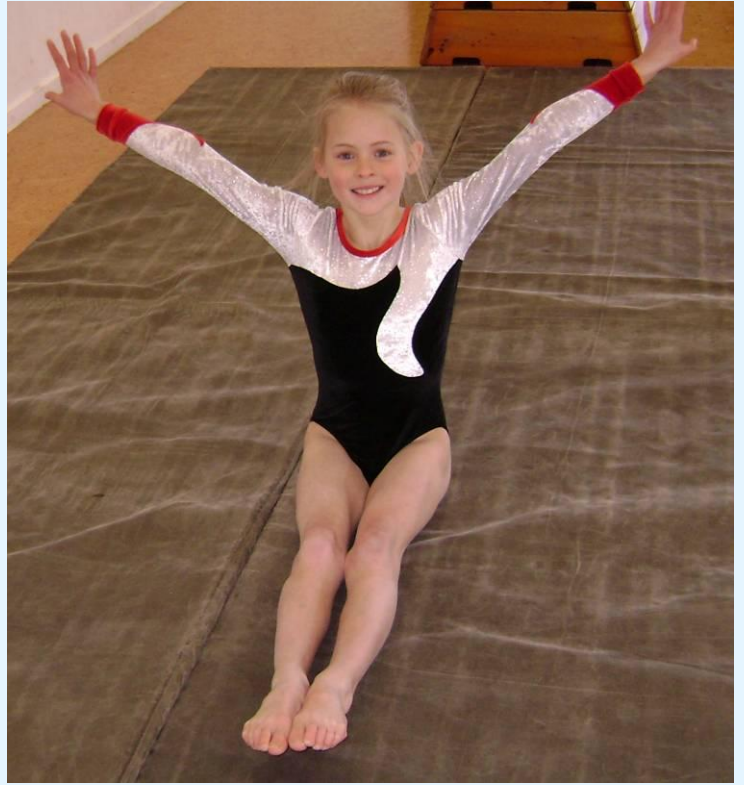
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11 Oct	12 Oct Parents Assn Meeting Y1-3 Cricket	13 Oct Music Festival Performance Music Festival Practise - Town Hall	14 Oct	15 Oct
18 Oct	19 Oct Junior Duathlon CPSSA Kivi League Tag Tournament	20 Oct p/p Junior Duathlon	21 Oct Senior School Athletics	22 Oct p/p Senior School Athletics
25 Oct Labour Day	26 Oct Cycle Safety	27 Oct Cycle Safety Y4 Cricket	28 Oct Cycle Safety	29 Oct CPSSA Weekly Summer Sport Cycle Safety
1 Nov Cycle Safety	2 Nov Cycle Safety	3 Nov Cycle Safety Y4 Cricket	4 Nov Cycle Safety	5 Nov CPSSA Weekly Summer Sport Cycle Safety F/S Assembly
8 Nov Cycle Safety Zone Athletics	9 Nov	10 Nov Y4 Cricket	11 Nov Last Day for CM Data Entry	12 Nov Show Day
Swimming Year 2 - 6 Jellie Park				
15 Nov	16 Nov	17 Nov Y4 Cricket	18 Nov Kids For Kids Concert - James Hay (Evening)	19 Nov CPSSA Weekly Summer Sport
Swimming Year 2 - 6 Jellie Park				
22 Nov	23 Nov	24 Nov Y4 Cricket	25 Nov	26 Nov CPSSA Weekly Summer Sport School Disco
29 Nov	30 Nov CPSSA Athletics	1 Dec Y4 Cricket	2 Dec	3 Dec CPSSA Weekly Summer Sport
Marae Visits				
6 Dec	7 Dec	8 Dec Junior Athletics	9 Dec p/p Junior Athletics	10 Dec CPSSA Weekly Summer Sport F/S Assembly Final Assembly & Y6 Leavers NSR Reports & 2011 Classes Out
13 Dec Senior School Picnic At Jellie Park	14 Dec	15 Dec	16 Dec	17 Dec School Holidays

SPORTING EXCELLENCE

COTSWOLD SCHOOL CONGRATULATES



Byron Heath
2nd Regional
Cross Country
Year 5 Boys



Catrina Hurring
3rd Overall - Level 4
New Zealand
Gymnastic Champs

OUTSTANDING!

ACHIEVEMENT