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PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

On Wednesday 5th May, 2010 all parents will have the opportunity to attend a **ten minute interview** with their child’s class teacher. During each interview, your child’s class teacher will outline how your child has settled into their new class, results of recent assessments particularly in reading and social/behavioural positives or development needs. Teachers will also discuss a common goal that can be worked on at home and school. I encourage all parents to take the opportunity to meet with their child’s class teacher. Interview timeslots for most classrooms will be available from 1.50pm to 8.00pm.

Please note: On Wednesday 5th May, 2010 we will work a reduced morning interval and lunch period and school will close for all students at 1.30pm. No supervision of students will be available after 1.30pm.

Our teaching programme for these days is as follows:

Teaching Session 1	8.55am – 11.00am
Morning Interval	11.00am – 11.20am
Teaching Session 2	11.20am – 12.40pm
Lunch	12.40pm - 1.00pm
Teaching Session 3	1.00pm – 1.30pm

You can book an interview online. Interviews can be booked online by following these steps:

- Go to the Cotswold School website - www.cotswold.school.nz
- Click on the “April Interviews” link on the menu on the right hand side of the main page.

Get The Interview Time You Want – Book Online Now.





C O T S W O L D S C H O O L ... B U I L D I N G B R I G H T E R F U T U R E S

Interview times will be booked as parents access the booking website. If you have more than one child enrolled at Cotswold School, we encourage you to arrange your interviews early to ensure your interview sessions are not widely dispersed.

NB: The School Interviews website needs “cookies” and “javascript” enabled in your internet browser. Many of you will already have these enabled to allow you to access sites like Trademe.

If you do not have access to a computer and the internet, you can arrange an interview by either:

- Using a computer in our computer suite – available from 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 3.30pm, Monday to Friday.

I encourage all parents to take the opportunity to meet with their child’s class teacher.

END OF TERM

School finishes for this term on Thursday 1st April, 2010 at **3.00pm**. We hope all our families have a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday 19th April, 2010.

2010 TERM DATES

Term 2, 2010	Monday 19 th April to Friday 2 nd July
Term 3, 2010	Monday 19 th July to Friday 24 th September
Term 4, 2010	Monday 11 th October to Thursday 16 th December

CHILDREN'S DAY JUMP JAM

On Sunday 7th March thirty children from the Year 4-6 Jump Jam team performed at Children's Day. It was a beautifully hot day at The Groynes and there were heaps of people. First we found the children stage and as it was a little small we performed in front of the stage. We rocked out *Move it like this*, *Who let the Dog's out*, and *The Ketchup Song*. When we started there were a few people watching, but by the end the crowd was huge! We then made our way over to the main stage, across a swing bridge and found Mr Harper. The main stage was also not big enough for our group so we again performed in front of the stage. The music was really loud the second time and it was so hot, but we performed well. Well done Jump Jammers - can't wait until your next performance!

TERM 2, 2010 STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Outlined below are the items/activities you will find on your child’s Term 2, 2010 invoice.

ORANA PARK VISIT

Visit to the Orana Park Zoo School and related activities including bus transportation there and back.

SKETCHING WORKSHOP

Sketching workshop taught by a professional sketching instructor. This workshop is to enable the students to learn and use new sketching techniques. They will then practise these new skills within the Visual Art Sketching unit during Term 2, 2010.

SENIOR SCHOOL GYMNASTICS

Gymnastic sessions at the Christchurch School of Gymnastics. Children will be taught and supervised for one lesson by trained instructors. The cost includes travel by bus to and from QEII.

SENIOR SCHOOL ELECTIVES

Card making \$5.00
Sports \$10.00

NORTH-WEST ZONE SWIMMING SPORTS AND CPSSA TRIATHLON

Well done to all the children who participated in these two events. You can all be proud of your efforts.

Special Congratulations to:

Kristina Orr who gained the following results: 2nd in the 10yr Girls 50m Freestyle and 3rd in the 10yr Girls 50m Backstroke at the North-West Zone Swimming Sports. Kristina also represented our school in the CPSSA Swimming Champs.

Thanks to the parents who supported our teams and provided transport.

CPSSA YEAR 5/6 SUMMER SPORT AT HAGLEY PARK

Congratulations to all our Volleyballers, Touch and Teeballers who have been participating in the Friday Weekly Summer Sport at Hagley Park. Your dodging and touch downs and big hits have been noted. It was great to see your positive efforts on and off the field.

A big well done to The Cotswold A Touch team who finished 2nd in the A Grade.

Special thanks to the teachers and parents who have coached our teams. Thanks also to the parents who provided transport to the games.

Please make sure all team uniforms are returned in a named bag to Mr Harper by April 1st (tomorrow).

CCA - MILO GIRLS CRICKET SHIELD

A big 'STANDING OVATION' to the girls in our Milo League Cricket team. The team bowled us over in making the finals in this competition. The team will be playing St Albans School in a playoff for first. This is the first time our girls have made the finals and we wish them well. Thanks to Coach Guthrie and the parents who supported this competition. *(Result to follow in the next newsletter.)*





YEAR 3 & 4 BASKETBALL JAMMERS AT QE II

Well done to the Cotswold Black Adders and Blue Cods who participated with passion on Thursday at QE II in the local Year3-4 Basketball Jammers Competition. Special congratulations to the Black Adders who finished 1st. It is hoped to see you all back when the competition commences in Term Four. **Please make sure all team uniforms are returned in a named bag to Mr Harper by April 1st (tomorrow).**

SCHOOL HUFF 'N' PUFF & CROSS COUNTRY

Training for this event will continue next term. Parents and family members feel free to join us during our training sessions. See Mr Harper (Y 4 – 6) and Mr Guthrie (Y0-3) for more information. You will be informed of race day details at a later date.

LOST

A Brand New Royal Blue Sweatshirt Size 12 with no School logo and is named (A Gemmell) is missing. Could all parents please check if you have the correct sweatshirt and if found please return to School office.



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NEXT MEETING DATE

Tuesday the 20th of April (First Tuesday of Term Two), at 7.30pm, at the Papanui Club on Sawyers Arms Road. All welcome to attend.

GREEN MELON PHOTOGRAPHY FUNDRAISER

Unfortunately **all the slots are now filled**. Thank you to all the parents who have returned their booking form and money.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

All families should have received their envelope with booking forms enclosed. **Order forms and money are now due**. Thank you for your support.

LOST PROPERTY BOX

Tomorrow Thursday the 1st of April, the contents of the lost property box will be disposed of. Even if your items are named, it is your responsibility to claim them. The Parents Association does not have the manpower or time to match up lost items with their owners.

Lastly, we hope you all have a safe and happy Easter break and holiday.