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LONGFORD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

Nominations open on Friday 15 July 2022

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 3 August 2022

If a vote is required the voting will close on Wednesday 7 September 2022 at 4pm.

IMPORTANT DATES

29-2 July 7MH Deep Cove Camp
4-8 July School Swimming
6 July GHS visit Y8's—Hall 9am
8 July End of term—3pm
15 July BOT Nominations open
25 July Start of Term 3—8.50am
3 Aug BOT Nominations close
3 Aug GHS Open Night—5pm
10 Aug PTA meeting—6.30pm
11 Aug Longford Open Night—5pm
22 Sep Sld Lit Quiz—Longford Hall
30 Sep End of Term 3—3pm

Camp Fees

Some students and parents still owe for camp—please pay asap.

Young Writers' Workshop

On Monday 27 June, four students (Livy Barnett, Summer Karan, Milla Nicholson and Raihanah Abdul Halim) headed down to Invercargill for an educational trip to learn some writing skills. It was held in the Invercargill library with some other kids from schools around Southland. We got to meet Pauline Smith and Callan Goodall who are two famous New Zealand authors. They talked about their plans and how to write books. We did a few activities and games that taught us more about literacy. Overall we learnt a lot and it was a great experience.

By—LIVY AND SUMMER

Report from the Principal

Kia Ora parents, whanau & caregivers

Open Night

Our open night is scheduled for Thursday 11 August. Everyone is welcome to have a look around the school and speak to students, staff and Board members. We will be starting the evening with a very quick address from myself in the hall at 5:00pm and then parents will be able to wander around the classes. All classes will have staff and students in them to talk about their learning and some of the events that we have on offer here at Longford.

Attendance

You may have noticed from media providers that the government has put some initiatives in place to ensure that student attendance in schools improves. We know that the last two years have provided families with many challenges when it comes to attending school every day, but here at Longford we have noticed that attendance has declined generally and we are very concerned about it. This will be a school wide focus from term 3 as it is imperative that we have students at school every day as student attendance is one of the main influencers on student engagement and achievement. Whānau and schools are legally responsible to ensure students' regular attendance at school. If your child is sick then we need to be informed in the morning so that the reason can be recorded.

Board of Trustees Elections

Next term the Board will be looking for three people to join the Board of Trustees. We have two board members who will be standing down at this time. Being on the board is a very important role in the school but does not require a great deal of time for most of the members. It is a governance role and so the main responsibility is attending meetings that are held twice a term and supporting actions to meet our strategic plan. It is very interesting to be a part of the process and certainly gives members some insight into how a school is run. Nomination forms will be sent out shortly to all whānau, so if you are interested please put your name forward.

Yvonne Catherwood
Principal

He waka eke noa – We're all in this together!

ICE Sports Southland

Learn to Skate Holiday Programme

Monday 11-14 June 2022

\$15 per lesson or \$50 for 4 lessons

Complete the form at the top of their Facebook page to register:

facebook.com/icesportssouthland

Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday 11 August 2022
Meeting Room—7.00pm

PRIDE TROPHY—Mikayla Doorey

It is my absolute pleasure to be awarding Mikayla Doorey with the PRIDE trophy this week. I had the pleasure of having Mikayla in my class last year. She is a role model student who wears her uniform with PRIDE. Mikayla shows our Longford PRIDE



values in all that she does. She is kind and caring and can light up a room with her presence. Mikayla's kind nature makes her a great friend to her peers. Mikayla is a very responsible student who can be relied upon to help out when needed. She is well respected by both staff and students.

Mikayla never shies away from a challenge, and will give anything a go. She has proven this with her netball playing.

Mikayla is a talented student who loves the stage. I have had the pleasure of watching Mikayla perform in many productions over the last few years and I look forward to seeing her in more productions in the future.

You are awesome Mikayla! Longford Intermediate is so proud of you.
Mrs Forbes.

Posi Rewards:

- Tainui 70 —Ty Hudson R10
- Aotea 68—Lucas Grant R10
- Tokomaru—Mason McDowell R3
- Takitimu—Milla Nicholson R2

Principal's Quiz Results

- 1st= Green Beans—Aotea 54pts
- 1st= Aotea's Cool—Aotea 54pts
- 3rd Tainui Rules—Tainui 53pts

Waka teams

- Aotea 42 Tokomaru 39
- Tainui 38 Takitimu 33pts

PRIDE Awards

- 1CA Zeth Joubert/Damian Richardson
- 2CF Tamati Tawhiao/Meka Gilder
- 3PG Lucia McClelland/Corban Williams
- 7MH Jean Pretorius/Mikayla Doorey
- 8AP Clint Collins/Addison Grant
- 9SC Benji Pasco/Kim Green
- 10GM Naeve Barnett/Kyrah-Rose Moffat
- S Tech
- H Tech
- Kiwi Can: Vinn Kirby/Ajay Shanks
- PRIDE Trophy: Matthew Clinton
Mikayla Doorey

Pride Trophy—Matthew Clinton

It is my great pleasure today to award the PRIDE Trophy to Matthew Clinton. Matthew is a one-of-a-kind young man who I had the privilege of teaching last year. The great benefit of teaching and getting to know students as a Year 7 is you can see just how much they grow and mature in



the matter of a year and I am so proud to see just how far he has come in this short time span. Matthew is an incredible leader within our school and wears many hats of responsibility throughout the week. His strengths with all things technology have enabled him to lead coding club where he shares a wealth of knowledge with students who are often hanging off his every word. As an avid reader, Matthew can often be found in the library both stuck in a gripping novel or performing his magic as a librarian. This year Matthew has also taken on the role of Peer Mediator, in this role he is always responsible and reliable, providing a voice of reason for other students in our Kura. Matthew has also stepped up this year and taken on a role as one of the student representatives on the Gore Youth Council. These things are just the tip of the iceberg, Matthew has been involved in a whole host of things over the last year and a half including the William Pike Challenge, Band, Production and on many occasions being our go to sound and technical guru. The thing that I love about Matthew is that he is unapologetically himself. He doesn't care what anyone else thinks of him and he is generous to a fault. I recall times last year when he went out of his way to bake delicious cakes and fresh bread for his classmates for no other reason than he thought it was a nice thing to do. Matthew has an opinion on almost everything and he isn't afraid to share these opinions, however, Matthew has developed the ability to listen to other people's perspectives and take time to reflect on what is being said. If Matthew realises that perhaps he is in the wrong, he is humble enough to own his errors and apologize which shows his mature thinking. In the classroom, Matthew has high expectations for himself and strives to do the best that he can, which in turn means that he excels academically. Matthew has a clear understanding of what he is like as a learner and how he learns best so he can use this knowledge to shape the way in which he does learn. Matthew, I could honestly talk for a really long time about the ways in which I have seen you display Longford's PRIDE values but instead I will sum up by saying... thank you. Thank you for being a role model student within our school, thank you for always helping teachers and other students with their tech problems, thank you for sharing new ideas and perspectives and thank you for trusting us when we push you outside of your comfort zone. You have the most incredible future ahead of you and I cannot wait to see what you achieve next! Congratulations.

Miss Adams

SCHOOL HOLIDAY OSCAR PROGRAMME

Are you looking for childcare?

Schools Out Hokonui Oscar Programme has spaces available for children between 5 to 14yrs.

Hours are: Monday-Friday from 8am-6pm.

WINZ subsidies are available if required.

Enquiries (text or call) to:

Amy 022 062 1936

Kerri 022 026 7223

St John Youth Programme

This programme focuses on teaching young people first aid, health care, leadership, and life skills.

Cadets—8-18 years Tues 6.30-8pm

Penquins—6-8 years Tues 5.30-6.30pm

For more information contact:

Marilyn 027 637 2008

Debbie 027 606 6689

Netball Report

Recent Players of the Day:

- Nia Woodford 8B
- Jacee Peterson 7A
- Marie Blondell 7B
- Sophie Winkel 8A
- Nia Woodford 8B
- Lucia McClelland 7A
- Katie Duffy 7B
- Elsie Connorton 7B
- Most improved player:**
- Charlie Pearce 8A

WAKA WINNERS



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All of the Longford School policies can be accessed through the SchoolDocs website by searching schooldocs.co.nz. The user-name is longford and the password is pride.