



# 2011 - Newsletter 2

From the Deputy Principal

We are halfway through this term and have hopefully 'weathered' all the bad weather. The snow last month brought dismay to many people but to the students at HRC it brought great joy!! The photos and student articles in this newsletter reflect this.

During this time we celebrated "Maths Week" with the annual 'Mathletics' competition. The cold weather didn't dampen the enthusiasm of our budding mathematicians and a very competitive competition took place.

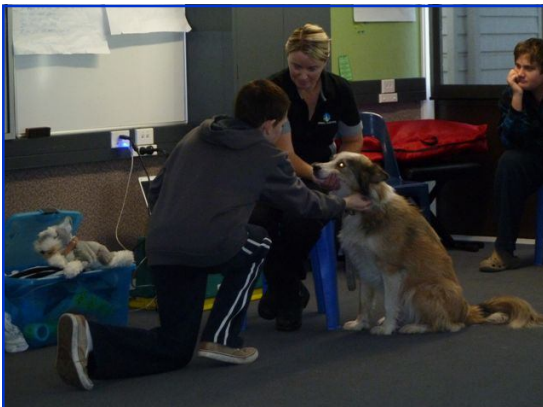
The Rugby World Cup fever has hit the college with each class adopting a country and its team. We have Room 9 following the English team, Room 8 Japan and Kawatea following the Russian team. It looks set for a very competitive learning time as each class impresses us with their knowledge.

Finally, this term our Key Competency Focus is 'Relating to Others' and this mid point in the term, Raphael Kibblewhite achieved the Deputy Principal's Award for consistently demonstrating this competency.

**Kind regards,  
Maureen**

## **Dog Safety Education Programmes**

The Animal Control Education Team offers safety education programmes for schools, community groups and businesses around dog bite prevention. We were very lucky to have a visit and be able to participate in this programme.



## Snowy Mayhem at HRC

It all started on Sunday morning when a weather forecast was for extremely cold conditions for Christchurch. Hardly anybody thought that it would be cold enough to snow. Anyway, I was too excited to go to sleep so I stayed awake until about midnight and then fell asleep but when I woke up I looked outside and there was a massive blizzard over all of the HRC grounds.

By Kevin Rowe



## Let it Snow!

*Snow Story*  
I hate snow and I like snow! In the night I was sleeping and it was snowing! Why do I hate snow? Because it makes my hands and feet cold. Why do I like snow? Because it's fun and I like making a snowman . Its fun having snow down here! I like playing with the snow cause I like to throw it at people. And snow is just like playing sport with it! Every time I hit someone with it, its fun!

By Sione



## Cinquain by Justin Hale

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Cold chilly  
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Freshly Frozen  
Snow



### The Snow Storm

In the morning I looked out my window I saw heaps of snow. This is the most snow I have ever seen. It looks like a forest. It was cold but I had a leather jacket to keep me warm.

There was snow everywhere. It was fun.

By Lee



### Sledging

The last time I saw snow was about 7 years ago.

That was on the Desert Road. My family and some friends went there. We used plastic bags to ride down the hill. It was exciting.

My dad fell off his bag heaps, that was really funny. We laughed and laughed. We had an awesome snow ball fight. We made a snowman, and snow angels too. The snow was very cold, wet and white.

By Jai de Besten



# Mathletics



Mathletics is our annual celebration of maths week. Students work in teams to solve problems, and race against each other. The teams are supported by the rest of the school, who have a few questions of their own to work out. This year the boys really made a great effort and they answered many questions correctly.

## Dates for the Diary

Next BOT meeting – 21 September 2011

End of current term – Friday, 7 October 2011

Beginning of next term – Tuesday, 25 October 2011

Ski days and ski camp – 29 August 2011 & 8 September 2011

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