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*Christchurch City Council*

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# *Learning Centres*

## Pūtahi Akoranga

Horizons and Connect Programmes



**Term 1 & 2 2012**

# Using the Learning Centres

Our learning centres are purpose-built to offer a place for children, teachers and the community to integrate technology into their learning, update skills and access information.

## Programme Design and Delivery

Our aim is to foster confident, creative and connected lifelong learners. Aligned with the vision of the New Zealand Curriculum document, our library learning centres provide learning experiences in a technology rich environment.

Students participating in our programmes experience e-learning embedded within traditional and future focused learning areas. Key competencies are developed as students work in collaboration with others across geographical and generational boundaries. Teachers gain professional learning opportunities as planning sessions with our staff focus on authentic integration of ICT into their curriculum based unit plans, whilst delivery involves teachers developing their skills with their students.

Our staff are fully trained teachers with experience in both secondary and primary schools. They have community connections which we can utilise within our programmes to ensure greater community connectedness for schools. Constant exposure to new technologies by our staff ensures that we can provide innovative new courses.

## Memorandum of Understanding

Prior to any school visit, the school's Principal must sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This MOU establishes the context of learning and services that will be provided to visiting staff and students.

Please request an MOU by emailing [learningcentre@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:learningcentre@ccc.govt.nz)

## Learning Centre Co-ordinators

Each school who chooses to bring students to work in either of our learning centres needs to nominate a staff member to work as a coordinator between the school's teaching staff and the learning centre.

*Their role is to be the main communication channel between our learning centres and your school. This involves:*

- School teaching staff consulting with the co-ordinator at your school to discuss class booking needs based on the school's priorities. If required, the co-ordinator will have to establish which classes from your school receive priority each term.

- Responsibility for distributing information received from the learning centres to the school teaching staff. Newsletters from the learning centres are printed once each term. New information relating to programmes and procedures will be sent directly to the co-ordinator.
- Attending any co-ordinator meetings and providing the learning centres with feedback from your school.

## Programme Venues

### South Learning Centre

South Christchurch Library,  
66 Colombo Street, Beckenham, Christchurch.  
**Phone: 03 941 5140**

This venue includes two learning rooms; computer lab and meeting area (syd room) plus a video conferencing room.

The lab is a networked computer suite of 31 computers, (each with it's own web cam) an inbuilt data projector, and printer/scanner/photocopier. Maximum of 35 people. The Sydenham room is a learning room for teaching or meetings big and small. Maximum of 60 people. Our video conferencing room is a permanent room dedicated to live distant communication.

Available equipment includes, digital cameras, video cameras, polycom sound station, and overhead projector.

These learning spaces are available for bookings between 9am and 5pm subject to staff and booking availability.

### New Brighton Learning Centre

New Brighton Library  
213 Marine Parade, Christchurch  
**Phone: 03 941 5140**

This venue includes one computer lab with inbuilt data projector. The lab is a networked computer suite of 15 computers, connected to a printer/scanner/photocopier.

This space is available for bookings between 9am and 5pm subject to staff and booking availability.

# Booking Procedure

- Request that your learning centre co-ordinator book a planning meeting with our staff where lesson content, cost and duration will be identified.
- Dates will then be booked into our calendar.
- An estimation of costs will be sent to the school.
- Invoices are to be paid at the end of each term.

Phone 03 941 5140 or email: [learningcentre@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:learningcentre@ccc.govt.nz)

# Horizons Programmes

Developing confident, creative and collaborative learners through our dynamic technology based programmes.

[www.slc.ac.nz/horizons](http://www.slc.ac.nz/horizons)

Horizons programmes are specialised and cater for children's specific needs by offering different themes each term.

The sessions are collaborative, with schools being offered two - four places in each course on a first come, first served basis. The maximum number of students per course is 12.

A Horizons programme can be customised for one school group subject to booking availability.

**Open Programmes:** : suitable for students with an interest in the topic, or for students the school wishes to acknowledge.

**GATE Programmes:** suitable for children participating in the school's Gifted and Talented education programmes.

**NB: All schools must confirm their course bookings in the term prior to their visit.**



# Horizons Programmes

## Term 1 2012

### Claymation

Students will learn the art of clay animation using digital cameras and movie maker software. Topics will be decided around relevant school based topics, for example – Road Safety, Cyber Citizenship.

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| Age   | Open Year 6-8   |
| Where | South Learning Centre (5 Sessions)                    |
| When  | Tuesdays 9:00 - 10.30am<br>28th February - 27th March |
| Cost  | \$25  |

### Literacy Support – Writing for the Web

Learn how to structure your writing in a variety of genres for an online environment. Skills will include uploading to a blog and publishing a web news item. Resulting posts will be shared via the South Learning Centre website and other appropriate online environments.

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| Age   | Open Year 6 - 8  |
| Where | South Learning Centre (5 Sessions)                     |
| When  | Tuesdays 11.00 - 12.30pm<br>28th February - 27th March |
| Cost  | \$25   |



# Horizons Programmes

## Term 2 2012

### Photographic Design School

Learn the skills of taking and editing photographs. Use software to produce and edit clever visual images.

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| Age   | Open Year 6-8                                  |
| Where | South Learning Centre (6 Sessions)             |
| When  | Fridays 9.00 - 10.30am<br>15th May - 19th June |
| Cost  | \$30   |

### Pasifika Stories

Explore various Pasifika legends, then retell your unique story by creating illustrations, music and recorded narration. A variety of tools such as Paint, Art Rage, Movie Maker, Photostory, and music creation packages will assist students through this process.

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| Age   | Open Year 5-6                                    |
| Where | South Learning Centre (6 sessions)               |
| When  | Tuesdays 11:00 - 12:30pm<br>15th May - 19th June |
| Cost  | \$30   |



## Numeracy Extension : Maths is Cool

Develop problem solving skills for a variety of problems – Number, Geometry and Measurement. Students will gain learning extension involving a range of mathematical strategies.

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| Age   | GATE Year 4-5                              |
| Where | South Learning Centre (5 Sessions)         |
| When  | Fridays 9 – 10.30am<br>11th May – 8th June |
| Cost  | \$25                                       |

## E-Coach : Cyber Citizenship

Students will be up skilled in the safe use of various online sites, sharing of information and communication, media tools. They will investigate how to protect themselves, their friends and family, while learning appropriate “netiquette” and behaviour in an online environment. As E-coaches they will be trained to pass on this knowledge successfully by a coach to others (eg peers, teachers or parents). Learning will be recorded on a class wiki, which will be the basis of their ecoach project.

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| Age   | GATE Year 6-8                               |
| Where | South Learning Centre (6 Sessions)          |
| When  | Fridays 1.00 - 2.30pm<br>4th May - 8th June |
| Cost  | \$30  |



# Connect Programmes

## Free of Charge

Our aim for connect programmes is to encourage children in developing life-long learning habits for the digital age through an introduction to our library resources.

These free programmes are one-off sessions lasting 90 mins and can be delivered for any level of ability for up to 30 students. Bookings are taken on a first come, first served basis and one Connect programme per class, per term is available.

**NB: All schools must confirm their course bookings in the term prior to their visit.**

**Where** South Learning Centre  
**When** Mondays 11-12:30pm or Wednesdays 11-12:30pm  
(other days subject to bookings)  
**Cost** FREE

**Where** New Brighton Learning Centre  
**When** Mondays 11-12:30pm or Wednesdays 11-12:30pm  
(other days subject to bookings)  
**Cost** FREE

## What is a Library?

Take a fresh look at what a modern library has to offer. Tour the space and find out about library layout, self-issue and other special features. Learn how to find the items you really want to take out and how to request the ones that aren't on the shelves plus, discover ebooks through the libraries overdrive scheme.

## Library Literacy - Making the most of your community library

Focus on particular areas of interest on the CCL website – Kids, Heritage, Maori – you choose. Explore the kids blog and learn how to comment on the posts and join as a contributor. Read books online, and find out how the library can help you answer your homework questions by chatting with a librarian online.

## Cyber Citizenship - Me and my Class

A technology based lesson, planned to assist your students in brainstorming what it takes to be a good class and/or school citizen. Learn safe and appropriate ways of being an online citizen.

Explore the concept of citizenship at home, at school, and in the physical and digital community. Discuss ways of avoiding common problems and have fun with this new learning frontier.

## For the Love of Reading

Take whatever focus suits your classroom programme: How do you find a good book? Learn how to use the library catalogue to discover what's on offer across the library network. Learn about safe social reading sites like Shelfari. What is a blog? Find out how can you connect with other kids and share your reading opinions via a blog.

## Music to my Ears

These days it is rare to hear the words “Shhhh this is a Library!”. Today's libraries are vibrant places with listening posts, CD's, tapes, dvds and many books on music. You can also discover music online and experiment with making your own music using Super Dooper Music Looper software in the Learning Centre.

## Information Literacy - Beyond Google

Finding information is easy when you have the right information literacy skills. There is just too much information at our fingertips these days. We need quality, not quantity. Learn how to find what you are really looking for using Google tools, library databases and search engines. This is a great session if you have a specific topic for the class to work on.



# Specialised Class Programmes 2012

All schools have the opportunity to use our purpose built computer lab and supporting technology. Bookings are not limited to pre-planned courses.

If there is a topic that you would like to explore with your class, our staff would be happy to work with you to create a programme to suit your class needs.

Classes are normally 1.5 hours at a cost of \$60. All costs are discussed and negotiated at the initial planning meeting.

**Topics may include:** Claymation, Digital Scrapbooking, Creating a Class Wiki, Time Machines (Google Sketchup), Digital Stories

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