

6. HOLIDAY PROGRAMME REPORT

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Community Board of school holiday programmes delivered by the Recreation and Arts Team, Christchurch City Council Leisure, in the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board area over the April school holidays.

BENEFITS OF SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

School holiday programmes provide quality, safe, recreation experiences for children and above all a chance to relax and enjoy themselves after the long school term. Longer term, school holiday programmes teach children good leisure habits and help them to learn about the activities and groups in their local communities. Holiday programmes are also an important community service to Christchurch families, particularly working families who require care for their children. This issue has been exacerbated by the introduction of the four term year, and by government moves to encourage single parents back into the workforce.

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Linwood Youth Programme

April 10 - 14th 2000

Based at Bromley Community Centre

Ages from 11 - 15 years

Time: 9am - 3pm

The programme is run in partnership with the Linwood Avenue Union Church

Schools Present

Linwood Intermediate	11
Linwood High School	3
Linwood Avenue School	2
Opawa	1
Bamford	1
Chisnallwood Intermediate	1
Woodend	1
Avonside Girls	1
Woolston	1
Unknown	1

Daily Attendance

Rock climbing	14
Skatezone/Archery	14
QEII	14
Kick-boxing/Its in the Bag	10
Surfing/Windsurfing	

Budget

Expenditure		Revenue	
Wages	799.60	Community Board	\$1907.70
Windsurfing	400.00	Funding	
Archery	80.00	Recoveries	340.00
Skatezone	96.00		
Kickboxing Tutor	44.00		
It's in the bag	50.00		
QEII	48.00		
Transport	352.00		
Printing	100.00		
Rock climbing	<u>280.10</u>		
Total	\$2249.70		\$2249.70

The Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board funded the programme.

COMMENTS FROM PARTICIPANTS

There was an excellent response from the children with 13 completing to the evaluation form. Eleven rated the activities as "awesome", with the other two saying 'okay'. The most enjoyable activities were rock climbing and windsurfing, with QEII rated as the third most popular. Future suggested activities included movies, ice-skating and mountain biking.

CONCLUSION

Overall the programme was most successful. Participants' behaviour was exceptional. Having the same staff for the last two holidays has helped in bringing continuity to the programme, and has also given the staff an opportunity to further develop their ideas. Due to the nature of this programme (adventure based) numbers have to be kept at a manageable level for health and safety reasons.

Bromley Boredom Busters

April 17 -20, 2000

Based at Bromley Community Centre

Ages 5 -10 years

Time: 9am - 3pm

Delivered by Christchurch City Council Leisure

Schools Represented and Numbers

Bromley School	30	Linwood Avenue	4
Linwood North	3	St Annes	2
St Martins Christian	2	Mt Pleasant	2
Woodend	1	Spreydon	1
St Pauls	1	Burwood	1
Salford(Invercargill)	1		

Daily Attendance

<i>Day</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Number</i>
Monday	Kite Day	38
Tuesday	Bottle Lake Forest	39
Wednesday	Games Galore	38
Thursday	QE11/Seaview video	35

Budget

<i>Expenditure</i>		<i>Income</i>	
Supervisor	\$519.64	Leisure Unit	\$ 539.44
Volunteer Leaders	\$400.00	Fees	<u>\$ 800.00</u>
School Supplies	\$ 50.00		
Transport	\$165.00		
Craft Resources	\$ 50.00		
Kites	\$ 48.80		
QE11	\$ 40.00		
Youth Alive Trust	\$ 40.00		
Brochures	<u>25.00</u>		
Total	\$1,339.44		\$1,339.44

Another cost not included is the Co-ordinator's wage
Funded by Christchurch City Council Leisure

COMMENTS FROM PARENTS AND CHILDREN

Children's response was very positive, with comments such as, 'Can we play these games everyday'. Parents felt that the programme was great value, and that their children loved it. There was also frustration about how quickly the programmes fill up (the programme was full within one day of registrations opening).

CONCLUSION

Bottle Lake was a hit, with both the Supervisor and the children recommending this to be repeated in future programmes. The after school programme and holiday programme are managed by the same staff. This helps the staff in planning activities for the children and makes the settling in process by the children a lot faster.

LINWOOD AVENUE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME-

Monday 10 April to Friday 14 April 2000

Venue: Linwood Avenue School

Time: 9 - 5.30pm

Ages 5 - 10 years

Contracted by Christchurch City Council Leisure to ODC (Delivery arm of the OSCAR Network)

Schools Represented and Numbers

Linwood Avenue	24
Linwood North	2
Linwood Intermediate	2
Bromley	5
St Pauls	1
Woodend	1

Daily attendance

Monday	21
Tuesday	25
Wednesday	27
Thursday	28
Friday	29

FUNDING

The Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board funded this programme at a cost of \$4495.38.

COMMENTS BY PARENTS AND CHILDREN

The children enjoyed all activities with Science Alive being the favourite. Parents commented again about the lack of programmes to meet the demand. Parents felt very happy about all aspects of the programme and felt their children were well cared for by the staff.

CONCLUSION

The number of places on this programme was increased from 20 to 30 to cope with the high demand. In future the programme is combining with the newly established Linwood Avenue after school programme, which will assist in cutting costs and the sharing of resources.

Phillipstown Pulsators

Based at Phillipstown Community Centre
17 – 20 April 2000
Time: 9.00am – 3.00pm

Schools Represented

Phillipstown School	11
Chisnallwood	1
Redcliffs	1
Linwood	1

Comments for Parents and Children

- Great Programme
- A lot of parents turned up to wearable arts parade on Friday
- Enjoyed going to Linwood Community Art Centre – having two different venues
- The beach and swimming was very popular

Budget

<i>Expenditure</i>		<i>Income</i>	
Wages	336.00	Leisure Unit	448.00
Volunteer Expenses	160.00	Fees	<u>224.00</u>
Tutor Fees	96.00		
Materials	30.00		
Petrol	<u>50.00</u>		
Total	\$672.00	Total	\$672.00

Funded by the Leisure unit of the Christchurch City Council

CONCLUSION

The programme was organised at the last minute due to staff changes resulting in fewer numbers. This will improve with future programmes.

COMMENTS BY COMMUNITY RECREATION ADVISOR

Steps are being taken by the Recreation and Arts Team to look at the growing need for holiday programmes in this area and ways we can best meet demand. Over the last six months the Phillipstown Community Centre, Linwood Arts Centre and the Richmond After School Programme have developed to managing their own holiday programme with the financial support of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board and advisory assistance from the Community Recreation Advisor. Further initiatives in supporting community groups in establishing holiday programmes are being investigated. Supporting groups to establish and manage programmes is an effective means of spreading limited resources and is less costly than Christchurch City Council Leisure or another professional contracted provider delivering the programme. However the Team also recognises the need to provide holiday programmes in areas where a community is unable to sustain its own programme.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairman's

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