

Check this out!

Interested in learning more about animation?

Then attend the teacher's 'Technology Tasters' workshop on Wednesday, 25 August 3:30pm to 5pm.

Check out these websites:

- <http://www.nzfilms.co.nz/>
- http://www.aardman.com/s/howcase/chick_fr.html
- <http://www.animateclay.com/>
- <http://www.tech4learning.com/claykit/cklinks.html>
- <http://www.pixar.com/>

Animation at South Learning Centre

Spreydon school students, St Martins students, Opawa students, Te Kura Kaupapa Maori O Te Whanau Tahi students, teachers and holiday programmes...

Q: So what have they all got in common?

A: Animation at South Learning Centre

Year 3 and 4 students from Spreydon school share their experiences with animation at SLC. "For the last few weeks a group of children have been making a movie. We chose the very hungry caterpillar... The first day we went to SLC we set up our background and the first backdrop. We also got to use the digital cameras... Then we decided how (the caterpillar) eats things. We thought that he could take little bites."

"Day 1: We read the book then we retell it. We make a storyboard of the very hungry caterpillar.



Day 2: We make the characters for the animation. We are almost ready to take the pictures.

Day 3: We take lots of photos with the digital camera on a tripod.

Day 4: We are taking more pictures and putting them into the computer.

Day 5: We finished it today.

Day 6: We look at our movie!"

Horizons

This GATE programme is over ten weeks in terms 3 and 4

Young Entrepreneurs

Starting a small business from start to finish!

Students will work in teams to set up a small business, make, sell and market their products.

Starts at 1pm to 3:30pm on Friday 13 August to 10 September.

Then continues in term 4 on Friday 8 October ending on 5 November.

Register two student's places, for Young Entrepreneurs now!
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Technology Tasters for teachers

Join us on Wednesdays, 3:30pm to 5pm at the South Learning Centre

4 August & 1 September: Video and movie making

- how other teachers are using movie making in their programmes
- the basics of using a digital video camera and movie maker

11 August: GlobalNet's collaborative online learning programme

8 September: Living Heritage

Hands on work shops where you will explore the websites.

- GlobalNet - a focus on the use of the Olympic resources
- Living Heritage - an audio conference with Lucy Ryan on how to use this resource with classes

18 August & 15 September: Numeracy and technology (Junior school)

- how other teachers are using technologies to support their numeracy programme
- create a practical classroom activity using the numeracy project

18 August & 15 September: Animation

- the basics of planning and managing a classroom animation project
- create an animated movie

Book in early for term three's workshops, phone: 941 5140



Check out our holiday programmes:

<http://learningcentre.christchurch.org.nz>



GlobalNet & Astro Report Back

Astro is on the move again!

His latest journey is to the home of the Olympic Games, Athens in Greece.

On the web site www.globalnet.org.nz by the 1 July there will be great Olympic Heritage learning experiences.

There is a unit of work, to get you started and then an array of fun and challenging activities related to the Olympic Games.

Monday the 2 August is the first day of the four weekly quests all centred around the Olympic Games and its traditions. There will be some interesting prizes for the winners each week. Great for practising research skills.

The Brain Bag will feature Olympic related questions as well.

Young Inventionz

19 students from nine South Christchurch schools attended the Horizons Young Inventionz programme at SLC.

Students worked in teams to design and produce an invention suitable for entry into the CPIT Young Inventionz Competition. The range of inventions included a: self stirring pot lid, mouse 'twap', combined compass and ruler, ruling device made from lego, and a recycling system to sort different products both in the recycling crate and the truck.

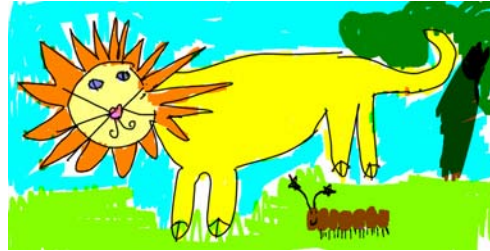
These were proudly displayed at the Christchurch Convention Centre.



Using Tablet PCs

Waltham and Opawa School

Waltham and Opawa School's junior syndicates have used the tablets to draw road safety, butterfly and wild animal pictures using the paint programme.



Thorrington school

Room 15, year 6 students have been using the tablets for recording different plant species located by a river. They recorded statistics and digital photos in Excel spreadsheets.



Opawa School

Year 7 and 8 GATE programme prepared PowerPoint presentations on young people's rights and responsibilities.

Ten Tablet PCs are available for loan to South Christchurch schools. The teacher's library card is required for issuing these. SLC staff can provide assistance if required.

The Workshop Club

Please promote the Workshop Club in your school newsletter

During term three the Workshop Club will trial a module based programme. Each module is limited to 24 year 7 to 10 students. Places permitting, students may attend **either** on a Tuesday or a Thursday but **not both** days.

Tuesdays, starting 20 July

Weeks 1 to 5: Digital Photography

Use of digital camera, camera skills, photographic composition and framing, introduction to Fireworks and Paintshop Pro, Manipulating images with software, colour and tonal corrections, Printing, Create a slide show with your photographs

Weeks 5 to 10: Digital Video Photography

Use of digital video equipment, digital video/audio editing software. Credit and title design and creation, camera angles and shot composition, create a music video, create a documentary.

Thursdays, starting 22 July

Weeks 1 to 5: Multimedia and Flash

Create games, animations, funky interactive web pages, GUI's (graphical user interfaces) with Flash. Use action script to create dynamic, interactive flash animations.

Weeks 5 to 10: Web Creation 2...Dreamweaver

Create dynamic web pages with Dreamweaver – Learn to create server side scripts. Learn HTML and Java script. Blogging.

At the South Learning Centre, for bookings p: 941 5140

Discover GlobalNet at:

www.globalnet.org.nz