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**WELCOME TO
VALENTINA AND
MOLLY
WHO BOTH STARTED IN
ROOM KEA THIS WEEK**



FUTSAL UNDERWAY AGAIN!



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou

Our **"What's the Buzz?"** parent interviews conclude this afternoon and I would like to thank all of you who have taken the opportunity to attend. These are a wonderful opportunity to discuss your child and share with their teacher important information which will assist them throughout the year. One of the Board's Strategic Aims is "to continue to enhance and nurture positive relationships with whānau" with an aspirational outcome of "increasing whānau/caregiver participation in parent interviews aiming for 100%". If you were not able to make a time, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher and make a time that is mutually suitable.

This afternoon, the students are being treated to the **'Elgregoe Magic Show'**, the theme of which is "THINK!". The show will challenge students to think about their actions and words, and teach them ways to make a difference and be part of the solution to bullying. Key values in this show are RESPECT, being TRUTHFUL and HELPFUL and showing INTEGRITY and KINDNESS. These types of wonderful performances enrich our curriculum and are paid through the parental contributions that we have requested. Be sure to talk with your child about the performance today and the message given, but also how they think the magic was done!

This Friday, we will be holding **House Leader Elections**. A number of Year 6 students are putting their 'hand up' for these coveted positions and two people will be elected for each House Group, one as Captain and the other Vice-Captain. I look forward to announcing 2019 House Leaders in next week's newsletter.

Hei kona mai I roto I ngā mihi, Goodbye for now and thanks.

GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL FAMILY PICNIC

Grant's Braes School Grounds

SUNDAY 3 MARCH

From 11.30am

BBQ - Sausages in Bread with Sauce provided

BYO Salads, drinks, picnic rugs.

deck chairs, scooters etc



'We look forward to our families coming along for this fun day together'



REMINDER

Payment of all Sports Fees are due by
tomorrow, Friday 22 February.

Please pay by cash or EFTPOS at the office, or by internet banking -03 0905 0914747 00 or via KINDO



OTAGO PRIMARY SCHOOL SWIMMING CHAMPS Saturday 6 April Moana Pool



If your child is interested in entering these, please get in touch with Jen Stevenson by Friday 15 March.

PLAYERS OF THE DAY

Rippa

Red - Chloe (Kowhai)

Futsal

Hurricanes - Blake (Toroa)

Warriors - Taylor (Toroa)

Flyers - Levi (Pukeko)

Tigers - Matteo (Matai)

Stars - Kahu (Pukeko)

Dolphins - Madi (Tawa)

Comets - Emil (Tawa)

Otago Hockey New Pathway Manager releases dates for upcoming training clinics!
Hymie Gill- former Blackstick and current NZ Un18 Men's Coach have designed pre-season training clinics for all ages!!!

Check out the link for more information and to register now!!

<https://oha.org.nz/about-us/news/view/coaching-available-for-all-ages->



Otago Hockey are doing a Pre-season Yr 5&6 Program

This programme is open to ANYONE to register their interest in pre-season training. This is a great opportunity to get ready for the season ahead. We will be focusing on skill development, both old and new. We hope with a good pre-season build up at this Development Programme the players are well prepared for the 2019 season.

If any of the players that you coach are interested the program tell to register with the link below

Register at www.oha.org.nz/yr5and6

LOST PROPERTY

There is already a lot of items in the Lost Property Box found in the corridor by Room Tawa. Please ensure that you and your children check this regularly for any items that have been lost. Often clothing goes home inadvertently with another child, and then put in the Lost Property Box a few days later!

WHEN YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL.....

Already there have been some tummy bugs, and sore throats about!

Please keep your child at home when they are unwell for two reasons - firstly, they do not learn or focus well when they are feeling 'under par', and secondly, to avoid bugs being spread to both our staff and other class members.

If your child has been vomiting or had diarrhea, it is important that they are kept away from school for **at least 24 hours from the last event!**

Our school has a 24 hour answer phone so please ring and leave a message to let us know if your child is not coming to school, or send an email to the office and to the class teacher.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 21 - Elgregoe the Magician, 1.30pm

Feb 22 - PW/Toroa Assembly, 2.10pm

Sun March 3 - SCHOOL PICNIC, 11.30am

March 4-8 - Walk'n'Wheel Week

March 15 - Matai/Tawa Assembly, 2.10pm

March 19 - Kōhanga trip to Art Gallery

- Mr Science visit to GBs

March 25 - Otago Anniversary Day

April 12 - Last day of school Term

School Docs Access

Visit the website -

<http://grantsbraes.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

Enter the username (grantsbraes) and password (gbparents).

Follow the link to the relevant Policy.

LIFE EDUCATION
Learning with Harold
COASTAL OTAGO TRUST

QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER

SPEND AN EVENING OF FUN WITH HAROLD AND FRIENDS.

Life Education is a charity that relies solely on donations & grants to operate. Our community trust is run by volunteers who are dedicated individuals that are passionate about building a better world for our children.

Great Prizes and Raffles

TUESDAY 2ND APRIL

7 pm Start

Kensington Tavern

\$30 Per Team
(up to 6 per team)

To book your team contact:

Verity 021 247 8585

verity@maorihill.school.nz

PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT US!



Grant's Braes School
"to explore, discover and learn together"

presents: **ADVENTURES IN PARENTLAND NIGEL LATTA**



Happy, healthy, confident children is something all parents want... but getting there is sometimes a bit challenging. While we might be the same humans we've always been for the last hundred thousand years or so, the world itself has changed incredibly, and those changes are only going to speed up over the coming years.

So how do we prepare our kids for living a good life in the modern age?

In this entertaining, challenging, and thought provoking presentation Nigel will share insights gained over a career that spans over twenty years and has taken him all over the world in search of answers to all kinds of questions. He'll cover everything from the parenting basics, to helping your kids plan for the future, and dealing with big issues like stress, anxiety, and depression. This is an evening full of real world solutions, for real world problems.

(*Suitable for all ages... although there may be a wee bit of swearing.)

DATE: 18 March 2019

TIME: 7:30pm

WHERE: Otago Boys High School Auditorium

TICKETS: \$30 each available from our website (<https://www.grantsbraes.school.nz>)

All proceeds raised will go to Grant's Braes School

Musselburgh's School Cultural Extravaganza

**Thursday 21st March
5.30pm - 8.00pm**



Come and join us for a night of

Family Fun

Fabulous Food

Exciting Entertainment

Bouncy Castle

Chocolate Wheel

Cultural Performances



Homestay Families for International Students

We are seeking homestay families residing within the Bayfield High School area. If you are able to offer a caring environment and have the ability to communicate well with young people from different cultures on a short term or long term basis, please contact Felicity Tombs at email homestay@bayfield-high.school.nz or please Phone: 455 0113 ext 730 or 027 348 0648.