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**WELCOME TO
SIENNA
WHO STARTED IN
ROOM KEA ON MONDAY**



THIS WEEK!!!!

LOVELY FAREWELL CARD FOR MRS BOOYENS
PRESENTED AT TODAY'S SPECIAL ASSEMBLY



NGĀ MANU CHILDREN HAD A GREAT TIME AT LAST
WEEK'S CHESS TOURNAMENT



MRS BOOYENS IS SAD TO BE LEAVING US!



ITALIAN ENRICHMENT
GROUP LEARNING
WITH ASTA



LEGO ENRICHMENT GROUP LOVE
THEIR LEARNING WITH ALEX



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou

At the end of this week Candice Booyens finishes with us. A school assembly was held in her honour today with all syndicates presenting an item for her. Candice started in 2015 within the Kōhanga team and has proven her wealth as a teacher. Her dedication to the students and school has been unwavering and she will be sorely missed. We wish her all the best as she takes up a part-time position at Elmgrove School and know that they are very lucky to have her. Next week, we welcome Lauren Carson who has been appointed within the Kōhanga team until the end of the school year.

Mr Howell, the Whānau Leaders and I will be attending the annual National Young Leaders Day tomorrow where we will hear from inspirational speakers. Our Whānau Leaders will reflect on their own leadership and their contribution to our school and I know this will be very beneficial. Tomorrow is also the day we are supporting the Anti-Bullying Pink Shirt Day. Please wear a splash of pink and give generously for this very worthwhile cause. A huge thank you to the members of the PTA who will be running the sausage sizzle tomorrow.

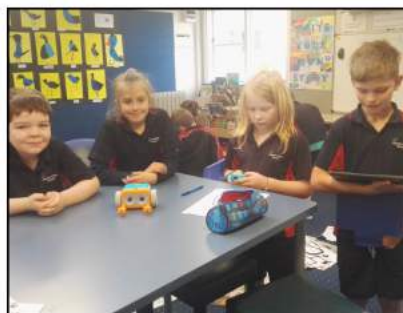
Lastly, I would like to thank you for making arrangements for your children whilst the school was closed yesterday. I would like to acknowledge the disruption the industrial action caused and know that our profession does not take this form of action lightly.

I would like to wish you all a wonderful long weekend and if you are going away, take care on the roads.

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

GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL

Pukeko Class Catchup



Pukeko class have enjoyed a range of different challenges using the schools new set of Botley Robots. We have learnt how to get the robots to drive around a track, make different shapes, follow a black line and dance to music! We are enjoying having Miss Parson our third year student teacher in our class for the next couple of weeks and are looking forward to doing lots of fun learning activities with her.

'PINK' MUFTI DAY TOMORROW - FRIDAY 31 MAY

In support of anti-bullying, our school are holding our **"PINK SHIRT DAY"** TOMORROW - Friday 31 May and we are asking for all children to please come wearing **"PINK", or a touch of pink** and to give a donation (at least a gold coin) in support of this very worthwhile cause.



BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Nine nominations were received, and Voting Papers, along with a return envelope and a booklet with Candidates' Statements in, were sent out earlier this week and should be in your mailbox within the next day or two.

Please note that voting closes at noon next FRIDAY 7 JUNE. Only one voting paper per envelope please or the votes are invalid. Please place the envelope containing your voting paper into 'Milly the Mailbox'.

Votes are counted on Thursday 13 June and the results will be declared to our school community as soon as possible after that.



WINTER SPORTS DRAWS

To quickly and easily access the draws for hockey, netball and miniball each week, go direct to our school website link as below -

<https://www.grantsbraes.school.nz/our-learning/sports-draws-winter>

PLAYERS OF THE DAY

Netball - Diamonds - Emily (Ruru)
Swifts - Marnie (Toroa)
Hockey - Evan (Pukeko)

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK 2019/2020

The 2018/2019 Books are about to run out this Saturday 1 June 2019!!

Get in now and support the school by purchasing a 2019/2020 version – available in printed books, or digital (use on up to 5 devices).

Buy the local version for Dunedin, Invercargill & Queenstown, or purchase additional copies or gifts for other regions in NZ, Australia or Bali.

There are just 9 copies remaining of the Printed Book available to purchase in the school office – please place your order and payment on the link:

Buy online from -

www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/26014m9

We are going to close off our school sales at the end of this Term.





DATES TO REMEMBER

- Fri 31 May - **Pink** Anti-Bullying Muffin Day and Sausage Sizzle
- Kohanga Assembly, 2.10pm
- Mon 3 June - Queens Birthday
- Mon 17 - Thurs 20 June - Scholastic Book Fair
- Thurs 20 June - Book Character Dress Up Day and Sausage Sizzle
- Sat 22 June - Otago Primary School Chess Championships
- Fri 28 June - School Reports home
- Fri 5 July - Last day of Term 2

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.

SAVE THE DATE

School Ski Weekend - Cardrona, Wanaka



**Saturday 31 August/
Sunday 1 September**

Forms will be available later this term for completion.

Any questions, please contact Bridget Dickson on 021 606773 or email -

bridget.dickson20@gmail.com.



Did you know that there are children in New Zealand who have never worn a new pair of pyjamas in their lives.

TennisPlus+ Coaching (based at the Edgar Centre) is running FREE 1/2 Court tennis coaching sessions to see if your child would like to enroll for term 3 2019 coaching which will be heavily subsidized (\$40 instead of \$80 for 8 x 35 minute sessions during term)

FREE COACHING ENROLMENT OPTIONS:

Please choose one day/time option ONLY for the Free Coaching!

Email: tennisplusdunedin@outlook.com

Please include in your email your child's name, date of birth, school, cell phone and parent/caregiver name

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/tennisplusdunedin/>

If you require further information, our school office can forward to you the email with all the extra details on, so please email Gaylene to request this.

Foster Hope are again running their annual new pyjama drive leading up to winter. One of the reasons that Foster Hope specifically ask for new summer or winter pyjamas (aged 0-18 years) is that many of these children have never had a brand new pair of their very own and knowing that someone has shopped especially for them is a huge boost to their self-esteem. We want this to be a positive experience as some foster children tend to feel like a bit like second hand kids themselves. Anything we can do to help them feel loved and valued is a huge part of what we do. Postie and The Warehouse currently have pyjamas at really good prices so please consider buying one pair, two pair or maybe even three pair and pop into the box in the foyer to support this great cause.

Embark on one of the most exciting and rewarding experiences of your life



HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

- ✓ Experience a new culture
- ✓ Learn a language at home
- ✓ Rediscover and share the beauty of New Zealand

Students arrive in January, April, June and July and stay for 3, 5 or 10 months.

All students have a wide range of interests and hobbies.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today 0800 440 079 or info@studentexchange.org.nz

www.studentexchange.org.nz/hosting
experienceiseverything



Have you lost your rabbit? Brown rabbit found on Belford Street last night. Phone 021 113 7742