Grant's Braes School



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WELCOME TO

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WHO STARTED IN ROOM KAKAPO ON MONDAY AND

ALISTAIR, JAMES, ASA, NEVE, ABIGAIL AND ADA

WHO ALL STARTED IN ROOM KEA
ON MONDAY ALSO





Our Year 4-6 children all started their swimming lessons yesterday up at Moana Pool. This will continue every Wednesday morning throughout this term.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora

I would like to welcome you all to the third term! I hope you were able to have some lovely whānau time during the break and it is lovely to see the students back and engaged with their learning. The Arts will be featuring largely this term with Polyfest and Stars on Stage. We also have an Art Exhibition that some of our students' art will be submitted into, as well as a number of our students will be participating in the annual Ukulele Jam. Swimming for the Year 4-6 students commenced yesterday and Ngā Manu will be visiting the Ōtākou Marae later in the term. A group of senior students will be travelling to Palmerston Primary School for the annual sports interchange as well as competitors running in the Ariki Cross Country. We also have students involved in the O'Mathalon, Current Events Quiz and a Chess Tournament which will put their brain to the test. This will prove to be a very busy but exciting term! I would like to thank all of the staff and community members in advance for the work that you have done or going to do to prepare our students for these exciting and valuable learning opportunities.

This week we have welcomed Susan Tait to our staff as the Kōhanga Lead Teacher and Kiwi Teacher. I know she has loved getting to know the children, staff and meeting parents and caregivers.

This term's value is E āhei ana - We can. This value looks primarily at developing confidence, being positive, resilient and being the best that you can be. Students will be encouraged to develop their independence and growth mindset and ensure that they like themselves enough to be themselves. Essentially, what we want them to have is the feeling or belief that they can do something well with success. In the Māori translation of this value, I would like to to mention the phrase "e ana", as when this is added to a word it means that is 'always present'. I believe this adds a richness to all of our values as we all want our students to strive for these values to always be present within them now and into the future.

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

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TERM 2 PRINCIPAL AWARD RECIPIENTS



Valentina, William and Edward were very deserving recipients of Term 2's Principal's Awards for illustrating a high level of achievement in regards to last term's value - 'E ako ana - We Learn'.

PLAYERS OF THE DAY

<u>Netball</u> Diamonds - Jack (Ruru) Mystics - Clare (Toroa) Magic - Kahu (Pukeko)

<u>Hockey</u> Kiwisticks -Blake (Toroa)

DOES THE OFFICE HAVE YOUR CORRECT CONTACT DETAILS?

And do we have an alternate contact number in case of an emergency? If you have moved house or changed phone numbers, please let the office know as soon as possible. It is very important that we are able to contact you if there is an accident or emergency.





CONGRATULATIONS TO

Paige and Lucy who Dunedin Tech 10th Grade Soccer Team competed in the 10th Grade Girls Alan Fraser Memorial Tournament in Kaiapoi and won!!! Well done girls - what a fabulous trophy.

MEDICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AT SCHOOL



Sometimes children will need to bring medication to school with them. All medication that comes to school must come with written permission to the office and will be administered by office staff. Medication must not be kept in children's school bags. Long-term, ongoing medication can be kept locked in the office. Emergency medications (such as Epi-pens) are kept in a secure place as deemed most appropriate by staff and parents concerned.. Please note that expiry dates and replacement of all medication is the responsibility of the parent.



MARK THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW!



Grants Braes School Fair to be held Sunday 3rd November 2019

A letter is coming home to all families today about this major fundraiser for our School. Please read, then mark in your diaries! Please also give consideration to how you can support this great event!



DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues 30 July - Yr 6's Visit to Tahuna - PTA Mtg, 7pm

Wed 7 Aug - Ariki Cup

Thurs 8 Aug - Chess Tournament Fri 9 Aug - Ariki Postponement Date

Fri 16 Aug - Life Ed visit

Mon 19 - Thurs 22 Aug - Life Ed visit

Mon 19 Aug - BOT Meeting

Tues 20 Aug - Palmerston Sports Interchange

Thurs 22 Aug - Palmerston Postponement Date Mon 26 August - Stars on Stage

Thurs 29 Aug - Ruru & Piwakawaka Marae Visit - OMathalon

Fri 30 Aug - Toroa & Pukeko Marae Visit

Wed 4 Sept - Current Events Quiz

Thurs 5 Sept - ICAS Science Exam

Mon 16 Sept - BOT Meeting

Tues 17 Sept - ICAS English Exam

Thurs 19 Sept - ICAS Maths Exam

Fri 27 Sept - Last day of Term 3

INTERESTING PARENTING INFO - taken from recent 'It is Not OK' Campaign advertisement

Tantrums are a normal part of child development. They're how young children show that they're upset or frustrated. Tantrums may happen when kids are tired, hungry, or uncomfortable. They can have a meltdown because they can't get something (like a toy or a parent) to do what they want. Learning to deal with frustration is a skill that children gain over time. Just remember that it is part of your child learning to manage their own feelings, this phase will pass, remember to breathe.

Vhat Tantrums Don't Mean:

- · I hate you.
- You are mean.
- You are a bad parent.
- · I'm a bad child.
- · I'm manipulating you.
- I need you to meet every demand that I'm yelling.
- I need you to punish me.

What Tantrums Do Mean:

- I'm overwhelmed.
- I'm trying to tell you about a need I have.
- I'm possibly hungry, tired, overwhelmed, lonely, or angry and I don't know how to handle that yet.
- . I need to learn a new way to ask you for this need when I am calm.
- · I'm new at figuring out big feelings.
- My brain can't understand you when I'm feeling this much emotion.
- . I need you to be calm so I can figure out these feelings.
- . I don't want to be acting this way.
- I'm watching how you respond to my big feelings so I know how to respond next time.
- · I love you and feel safe with you.

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Family Violence Information Line 0800 456 450



SCHOLASTIC

BOOK CLUB

ISSUE 5 Brochures have gone home with the children today. Orders to be in by <u>9am</u>, <u>Friday</u>, <u>9 August 2019</u>.

2nd HAND UNIFORM SHOP

This will be open next Friday, 2 August from 8.45am - 9.15am and from 2.45pm-3.15pm.

For any inquiries about 2nd hand uniform items, please text Andrea on

021 08200287.

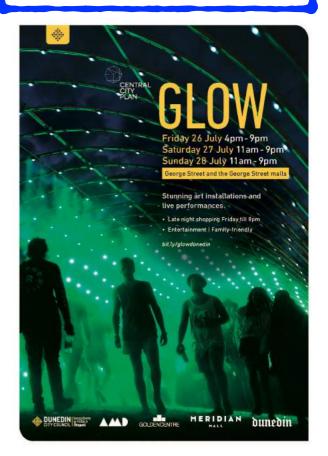
School Ski Weekend - Cardrona, Wanaka

Saturday 31 August/ Sunday 1 September

Forms for registration are available from the office.



Any questions, please contact Bridget Dickson on 021 606773 or email - bridget.dickson20@gmail.com.





Great Opportunity to Socialise While Supporting your local Kindy! Reduced Bar Prices! GREAT PRIZES! Good Fun!

http://www.athleticsotago.co.nz/

Where: Memorial Park, Mosgiel

When: Sunday 4th August 2019 starting at 9.30am

For more information and to register visit <u>www.athleticsotago.co.nz</u> Spot prizes available!!

