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**WELCOME TO**  
**ELLIOT AND GISELE**  
*WHO STARTED IN ROOM KEA THIS WEEK &*  
**SAMMY**  
*WHO JOINED ROOM MATAI YESTERDAY*



## NGA MANU SWIMMING



The Year 4-6 children have been having lots of fun as they are learning lots of new skills during their weekly lessons at Moana Pool. They have participated in rotations that have included learning to dive, water safety, snorkelling, safety aboard an IRB, wave pool and water safety theory.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora

*PolyFest Today!! A lot of hard work has gone in over recent months polishing our performances, and we look forward to seeing the results of the hard work! We are performing this afternoon with the Teina (Te Ngahere/Kōhanga) first on at an estimated performance time of 1.15pm. The Tuakana (Ngā Manu Y4-Y6) will be performing shortly afterwards, at approximately 2:15pm. I would like to thank our wonderful staff for all of their work preparing our tamariki for this event, as well as the expert support from Dennis Mariu, Tammy Russell, Liz Stoddart, Logann Russell and Aima Nicholson. I know this will be another very proud moment for our school!*

*Last Wednesday, a group of students competed in the Newspapers In Education 'Current Events Quiz' held at Bathgate Park School. They worked hard with their team members on the questions and they did themselves proud. I would like to thank Mr Fry for supporting the students in this wonderful event.*

*Nest Thursday, the Ngā Manu students will be competing in a School Athletics Day. This will be held here at school and will be used to determine who qualifies for the South Zone sports which are to be held mid Term 4.*

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

**GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL**

## WĀ TUHURA TIME ON FRIDAYS



## INCY WINCY SPIDER

Incy wincy spider climbs up the big wall.

He runs over the scaffolding and  
scurries into the mall.

Incy wincy spider decided to look around.  
He scrambled over clothes and then he found...

A peculiar looking creature  
with long yellow hair.

It had brown eyes and seemed to stare.  
Incy wincy spider walked on to it's arm.  
Then a terrible sound started to alarm.

Incy wincy spider had taken a big bite.  
It seemed to go quite dizzy and  
started to turn white.

Suddenly it said "mummy! help me".  
Then Incy wincy spider realised all wasn't carefree

It was an innocent child.  
That was merely wild.  
Suddenly a shadow appeared,  
It seemed quite weird.

Then incy wincy spider didn't feel anymore,  
Because he was squished on the  
damp cold floor.

The girl jumped on him in so much fright,  
That she ran away out of sight.

By Levi  
Aged 10years

This poem won Levi the Author's  
Special Award - 'Judi Loves Your  
Writing'. We are all very proud of his  
fabulous poetry.



## MRS MCAULEY NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

If you have any video cassette tapes that  
you no longer use, then please deliver  
these to Kowhai!

Any milk or bread crates also, please  
drop these into Kowhai

If you have any special interests or  
talents and would be interested in taking  
an Enrichment Group at our school,  
please get in touch with Jess McAuley.

For example: -

\*Science \*ICT \*Art \*Construction

\* Languages \*Sewing

The options are endless!!



## DVDS

These are available to be  
ordered through KINDO @  
\$20.00 each.

Closing Date is next Tuesday 17  
September - no late orders  
accepted.

## CONTACTING THE SCHOOL

Please notify the school via **phone  
call/message** or **email** of your  
child's absence. If emailing your  
child's teacher please also 'cc'  
[office@grantsbraes.school.nz](mailto:office@grantsbraes.school.nz) in  
because if a teacher is away for  
the day, and a reliever or student  
teacher is in control of the class,  
they will not have received the notification. This then saves  
our office staff spending unnecessary time following up on  
where your child is.

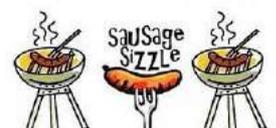
The **office phone is sometimes not answered**,  
especially if Gaylene is busy tending to children, or talking  
with parents. Please **leave a message** as these are always  
checked when Gaylene is back at her desk. The phone has  
a **24 hour message service**, so if you know at 6am in the  
morning that your child is not coming, it may be easier to  
ring in and leave a message then rather than wait until the  
office is open.

Thanks for your co-operation with this.



## MUFTI, SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND ICEBLOCKS NEXT FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Sausages (\$2.00) and Ice  
Blocks (\$1.00) can be ordered  
via KINDO as usual. This will  
open this afternoon, and close  
at 9am next Wednesday  
morning. There will be no late  
orders as the  
food orders  
need to be  
in.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues 17 Sept - ICAS English Exam

- Y4-6 Sports Day

- PTA & Fair Meeting, 7.00pm

Thurs 19 Sept - ICAS Maths Exam

Fri 20 Sept - Sausage Sizzle & Mufti

Mon 23 Sept - BOT Meeting

Wed 25 Sept - Whanau Hui @ 5.30pm

Fri 27 Sept - Last day of Term 3

Mon 14 Oct - First day of Term 4

Wed 30 Oct - School Photos

Thurs 19 Dec - Last day of Term 4

Mon 3 Feb - First day of Term 1, 2020



### MACANDREW BAY CUBS: SPACES AVAILABLE TERM 4, 2019

Macandrew Bay Cubs (part of the Macandrew Bay Scouts Group) operates from the Scout Hall in Macandrew Bay (beside Macandrew Bay bowling club) on Monday evenings 6.30 - 8pm. Next term 5 of our current cubs will be moving up to Scouts, which means we enrol new cubs. If you would like to know more details or book your child in for a visit, please email [macbaycubs@gmail.com](mailto:macbaycubs@gmail.com)

4:30pm - 8:30pm

Come to  
Dunedin North Intermediates  
Spring in the valley!

**MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
September 20, 2019

+Kidzone+Catering+Live Music+  
+Spring Themed+Collaborative Artwork+

First Serve, Hotspot, The Ramblers,  
The Little Cabaret Band, Julian Temple Band, Tahu  
And The Takahas, Anika Amiee Hannah Sahara And  
More Performing!

Dunedin North Intermediate hall, 34 North Road North  
East Valley Dunedin  
Find out more at:  
<https://sites.google.com/dni.school.nz/springinthevalley/home>

Tickets:  
5 and under free!  
6-17 \$3  
18+ \$5  
Family/Group discounts available

## ARIKI CHILDREN'S ATHLETICS CLUB

For kids 4 to 14 years old

Have fun, keep fit and gain skills in running & field events



FRIENDSHIPS • STRENGTH • BALANCE • COORDINATION



Ariki is accredited to teach NZ Athletics' Get, Set, Go and Run, Jump, Throw programmes.



Register at [ariki-athletics.org.nz/children](http://ariki-athletics.org.nz/children) or come along to Bayfield Pavilion from 6.15-7.15pm on 16 or 23 September.

Season runs for terms 4 and 1. Training 6pm Mondays at the Caledonian. Optional competition on Saturday mornings.



Albion Junior Cricket Club Dunedin

*Albion Cricket Club was founded in 1862, and is reputedly the oldest continuously existing club in Australasia*

### 2019 Albion Junior Cricket for Boys and Girls

Albion Cricket Club is situated on the corner of Royal Crescent and Marlow Street.

Albion are keen get groups of school mates playing together under the Albion junior club umbrella. Girls are especially welcome.

The early season runs from 18<sup>th</sup> October – 14<sup>th</sup> December (10 weeks). Junior games are generally around 2 hours long.

Registration can be made online at <http://www.sporty.co.nz/albionjuniorcricket>

Registration days at Culling Park Club Rooms (Corner of Royal Crescent and Marlow Street)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 5-7pm

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September 9-12 noon

Enquiries contact

Ant King 425 9330

Or email : [albionjcc@gmail.com](mailto:albionjcc@gmail.com)

Website: <http://www.sporty.co.nz/albionjuniorcricket>

### Grants Braes Kindergarten is holding their Annual Quiz Night

**TONIGHT** Thursday 12th September at 7.00pm at The Bog Irish Bar. Please come along and support our lovely Kindy, 4-6 people per team with \$5 per person entry. Tickets for sale through the Kindy or please contact [narellejakey@gmail.com](mailto:narellejakey@gmail.com) to register your team.

### Checkout the Family Noticeboard in Office Reception area for School Holiday Programme information for -

- \* Dunedin Gymnastics Academy
- \* Basketball Otago October Holiday Camps
- \* Dunedin Brick/Lego Show