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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora

How exciting for our school to open the 2019 season of 'Stars on Stage'. We certainly set the bar high with our incredibly polished and engaging performance. All of the Year 5-6 students shone on the stage and this was certainly another proud Principal moment! The students thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were definitely proud of their performance too. I would like to acknowledge Ollie, our Year 5 soloist who sang beautifully with such presence and confidence! Once again, a huge thank you to caregivers, parents and staff for all of the hard work behind the scenes. Also to Lewis Howell for his directing, choreography and overall vision of the performance.

Last Friday night, the Hall was filled with great dance music, flashing lights and fantastic dance moves!!! The PTA's 'Pyjama Disco' was a huge hit with the students who attended and I would like to thank the PTA for all of their work to make this such an enjoyable event. I would also like to thank the generosity of Magic Kids Club for supplying the DJ and equipment free of charge to the school.

On behalf of the school, I would like to send my condolences to the Ōtākou Runaka and Kai Tahu for the passing of one of their kaumatua, Tahu Potiki. As a result, all visits to the Marae have had to be cancelled. When appropriate, the school will discuss a future date that these visits can occur.

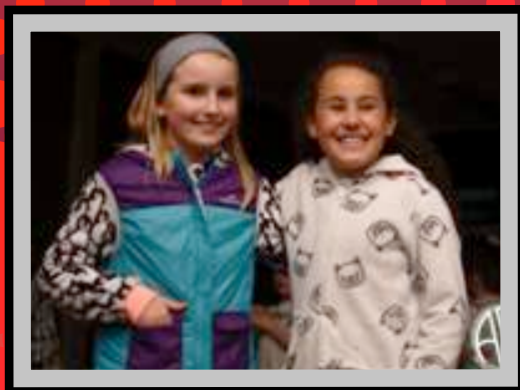
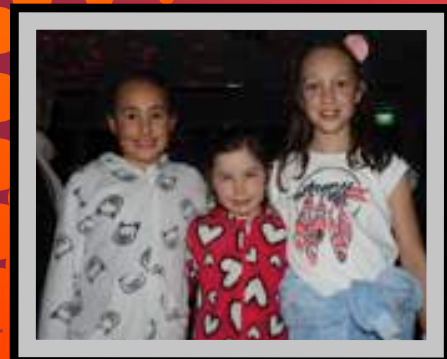
Hei kona mai I roto I ngā mihi, Goodbye for now and thanks.

GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL



Ariah is very grateful for the support our school and GB Kindergarten showed with the amazing donation of \$1060.47 that has been donated to Heart Kids Otago. This total was made up of Mufti Day donations (\$553.00); the PTA very generously gave the profit from the Sausage Sizzle held on the same day as the Mufti Day (464.57) and the children from GB Kindy also donated \$42.90. This was a fabulous effort from our local community and Lukas and Ella are very proudly 'showing off' this total with Ariah.

DISCO FUN!





CHILDREN'S SAFETY

Please be aware of children around our school gates and crossing the roads outside our school in the mornings, and at 3.00pm.

Please do not park on the yellow lines outside our Belford Street entrance, and across the road outside No. 140 Belford Street. Also, please be aware of the Larnach Road crossing after school and do not park close to where the 'lollipop pole' goes out.

With over 260 students coming and going from our school grounds, we all need to step up and take responsibility for their safety.



TOMORROW IS 'DAFFODIL DAY'

Tomorrow, **Friday 30 August** is Daffodil Day, and as usual, there are fabric daffodils available from the office counter, for a donation to The Cancer Society. We all know someone who has been affected by cancer, and this is a good way to support locally. It would be good to see lots of our staff and children wearing these tomorrow.



POLYFEST 2019

Our students have all been busy rehearsing for this year's Polyfest.

We have had notification that our School groups will be performing on **Thursday 12 September.** The following are the 'approximate' times for our two groups.

- 1.15pm - Teina
(Te Ngahere & Kohanga)
- 2.15pm - Tuakana (Ngā Manu Y4-6)

Further information will be provided nearer the time.



Beeswax Wraps



Ruru and Pukeko did a lunchbox survey and found out there was lots of unnecessary plastic in our lunchboxes. We have been researching problems facing our oceans and found out lots of plastic ends up polluting our oceans. The students decided to make beeswax wraps that could be used instead of gladwrap in their lunchboxes. Thank you to all the amazing parents who helped get supplies and who came and helped us make our beeswax wraps.

SUMMER SPORTS!!

**Registrations are open now for Rippa (Y3-6), Touch (Y3-6)
Futsal (all ages) and Teeball (all ages)**

All information regarding this was emailed home to all families nearly a fortnight ago, so check your INBOX if you haven't yet seen it.

As usual, all registrations are required to be done through **KINDO**. Please ensure you **CHECKOUT** (even though no money is transacted) for the registration to go through. Do not leave it in the cart!!!

Closing Date is **5.00pm Friday 6 September** and this will be strictly adhered to as Jen Stevenson needs to get teams formulated and registered, and this is a **HUGE** undertaking.

Any queries, please contact Jen - jennies@grantsbraes.school.nz

TWO/THREE MORE Y3-6 GIRLS NEEDED FOR GB TEAM FOR SBS SMASH 'FREE' GIRLS CRICKET COMPETITION

To be held Term 4, Weeks 4-8 (Mondays Nov 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, 2nd Dec
4-4:50pm (10 Minute Skill Session, 40 minute game), Uni of Otago Oval, Free T-shirt,
Contact Jen ASAP - jennies@grantsbraes.school.nz if your daughter is interested in playing

CONGRATULATIONS



Well done to Sam, Luca and Amelia who all came 2nd in their different step competitions in the recent DGA Competition.



Congratulations to the Mystics Netball Team who came 3rd in their Grade, and thanks also to the awesome Tammy for coaching both this team, and the Magic Team.



FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE



Father's Day is Sunday 1 September, and the PTA are again running their "Father's Day Raffle".

As per previous years, the raffle is all about the children bringing along their

money to buy the tickets - 50c each.

Please have your children put the correct money in an envelope, and write their name, class name and how many tickets they wish to buy on the front and drop into 'Milly the Mailbox' by 9.00am TOMORROW Friday 30 August. Numbers are then allocated by the PTA Representatives on a numerical basis. (Spare envelopes are available from on top of 'Milly the Mailbox'.)

The raffle prize winners will be announced at Assembly on Friday 30 August.



****MARK THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW!****

Grants Braes School Fair to be held

Sunday 3rd November 2019



The Fair Committee have 'drop off' boxes available in the Reception Area ready for donations of the following items

- * SMALL White Elephant items
- * Books * Clothing
- * Toys (in good working order/condition)

DONATIONS/CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED FOR CHOCOLATE WHEEL PRIZES FOR OUR SCHOOL FAIR

There is a bright and beautiful **BIG** box waiting for our families to please contribute items suitable as Chocolate Wheel prizes! This is the 'PERFECT' opportunity to re-gift those items sitting around home just gathering dust!!

Some ideas are - boxes of chocolates (pls check expiry date!), stationery, gift vouchers, double-ups of games, toys, toasters..... Anythings that's "new but not really you"!!!



DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 4 Sept - Current Events Quiz

Thurs 5 Sept - ICAS Science Exam

Thurs 12 Sept - Polyfest Performances

Tues 17 Sept - ICAS English Exam

- PTA & Fair Meeting, 7.00pm

Thurs 19 Sept - ICAS Maths Exam

Fri 20 Sept - Sausage Sizzle & Muffi

Mon 23 Sept - BOT Meeting

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

Grants Braes Kindergarten is holding their

Annual Quiz Night

on 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

narellejakeway@gmail.com

to register your team.

ANDERSON'S BAY TENNIS CLUB

Open Day 2019-2020

Saturday 7
& Sunday 8 September

1.00-4.00pm

All welcome, come & play!

Bayfield Park, Dunedin
(access Anderson's Bay Inlet
or Shore Street)

Fun, games, & great giveaways
from Hell Pizzal

Held wet or fine!

For queries, contact:
P: 027 474 9887
E: andersonsbaytennis@gmail.com



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SCHOLASTIC

BOOK CLUB

ISSUE 6 - Brochures went home with the
children last week. Orders to be in by 9am,
Friday, 6 September 2019.

Website: www.kellysports.co.nz/dunedin
Contact: Kelly Hamill
Email: dunedin@kellysports.co.nz
Phone: 027 695 8004
Facebook: [KellySportsDunedin](https://www.facebook.com/KellySportsDunedin)
Address: 300 Kaitorai Valley Road

OCTOBER 2019 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

KAIKORAI VALLEY COLLEGE

Week	Activity	Details
Week 1	Football Frenzy	Prepare to kick off our very own Football Championship. Practice your football skills with a series of games and activities and compete in a game of World Cup Football.
Week 1	Trip Day - Teira Kids	Come and join us to complete a TRIP KIDS story with the children from Green Island. We'll have a fun-filled day of activities, games, and a water hole.
Week 1	Champions of the Challenges	Challenge your skills with a range of activities and challenges. It's all about to get as many points as possible!
Week 1	Trip Day - Post Challenge	Back, down, up! Get out there and challenge your skills. It's all about to get as many points as possible!
Week 1	Year of World Cups	This year the All Blacks, Silver Ferns and Black Caps are competing in World Cup. Come and join us for a day of activities, games, and a water hole.
Week 2	Key New Sport Fun	Today's sports are a mix of all the sports we have seen before. It's all about to get as many points as possible!
Week 2	Trip Day - Karate	Join our Karate trip day where we will be taught by Black belts. It's all about to get as many points as possible!
Week 2	Red Nose Day	Support Cause Kids by wearing red noses. It's all about to get as many points as possible!
Week 2	Trip Day - Cup N' Climb	Come along and join us to complete a TRIP KIDS story with the children from Green Island. We'll have a fun-filled day of activities, games, and a water hole.
Week 2	Super Summer Sports	Summer sports are on the way. Join us for a day of activities, games, and a water hole.

HALF WEEK: \$25 (ages 4-5, 6-7, 8-9)
FULL DAY: \$45 (ages 10-11, 12-13)
SCHOOL DAY: \$35 (ages 14-15, 16-17)
HALF DAY: \$27 (ages 18-19, 20-21)
TRIP DAY: \$50 (includes full week)

OSCAR PROGRAMME SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE!

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT [KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ](http://www.kellysports.co.nz)

Grant's Braes Kindergarten

Grant's Braes Kindergarten currently have vacancies needing to be filled. We offer 30 hours free per week for those aged 3 and over and very reasonable rates for 2 year olds. We offer a wonderful outdoor environment, and pride ourselves on our community involvement. If you have a child who would be interested in joining us at Kindy please contact us.

Phone 454 3407
E mail - grantsbraes@dk.org.nz
Or pop in for a visit and chat.
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BASKETBALL NEW ZEALAND U13 SKILL DAYS

COST: \$30 PER PLAYER. REGISTER AT: NZ.BASKETBALL.U13SKILLDAYS

Basketball New Zealand will be running a series of U13 Skill Days around the country in partnership with our regional development centres and through engagement with our local associations. These skill days will serve a number of purposes, but most importantly, they will provide us with an opportunity to expose our U13 athletes and coaches to the BBNZ new style of play, by way of familiarising the athletes with our concepts of play and by introducing games designed specifically to transform our players' habits.

Talent ID and player selection has been aligned to the BBNZ player development pathway, providing opportunities for athletes to learn our style of play and the skills that underpin our style of play are critical to the success of the High Performance Program. The athletes and coaches attending will also be exposed to movement competencies, these are foundational skills.

Mastering, Decelerating, Jumping, Landing, Position, Retention and Layup are essential skills for the developing athletes to learn, understand and adopt.

AUGUST 31st / SEPTEMBER 1st
AUCKLAND
BREAKERS FACILITY

SEPTEMBER 7th
TAURANGA
TRUST POWER ARENA

SEPTEMBER 8th
DUNEDIN
JOHN MCGLASHAN COLLEGE

SEPTEMBER 14th
OTAKI
NEGA PURAPURA COURTS

SEPTEMBER 15th
ASHBURTON
EARTHWORKS CENTRE

SEPTEMBER 22nd
NELSON
SAXTON STADIUM

Tahuna Normal Intermediate Enrolments 2020

Reminder that the closing date for enrolments is 3pm on Monday 2nd September. These can be done online at <https://tahuna.school.nz/enrol/> or at the school office. The office can also answer any questions regarding our enrolment zone.