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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora

What a wintery blast we have had. I hope this doesn't last too long! This week we have had Melanie Harper teaching Kiwi Golf to our students, thankfully the weather was fine enough for this to occur for most of our classes. Unfortunately Kōhanga's session today needed to be postponed and an alternative date will be arranged. It was lovely hearing from her that our students were all very motivated and enthusiastic, with wonderful manners!

Tomorrow, our Year 6 students will be holding their Desk Fair between 11:30 - 12:15pm and I know they are very excited with what they will be selling.

Next week, author Judi Billcliff will be visiting our school on Tuesday and will be working within Te Ngahere and Ngā Manu classes.

School photos are being taken on Wednesday and please ensure your child comes to school in their correct school uniform.

Also, a group of Ngā Manu students are performing a percussion item at the Peninsula Cluster Music Extravaganza which is being held next Wednesday afternoon at Tahuna Intermediate. I would like to thank Rebecca McKeever for working with this group and her organisation of this.

It is getting very exciting with only little more than a week before the School Fair! Things are coming together brilliantly and it will be another fantastic event. There are still plenty of jobs to be done so please read the Fair Insert within this newsletter, and let the Committee know if you are able to help out in any way.

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

> LEARN STEAM science | technology | engineering | art | math

You are INVITED to an OPEN afternoon to explore STEAM activities in our classrooms! 20 November, 2019 1:30pm Meet in the Hall for a quick presentation followed by classroom exploration!

SCHOOL PHOTOS

These are being held next **Wednesday**, **30 October** and all children will have an individual photo taken and also be part of their class photo. When these come back in proof format, there is no obligation to purchase.



If you would like a sibling or family photo taken, these will be scheduled prior to 9.00am. These photos can include other siblings who don't attend Grant's Braes and parents as well if you wish. Please go on to KINDO to complete the request there - PLEASE ENSURE YOU CHECKOUT TO ENSURE THIS COMES THROUGH (even though no money transaction takes place). This will close off Tuesday 29th October, 9am, and the time for your family/sibling group will be text to you that day.

PLAYERS OF THE DAY

<u>Futsal</u>

week.

Kings - Hugo M (Piwakawaka) - 16/10 Kings - Akein (Toroa) - 23/10 Tigers - Alex (Rata) Aces - Hugo I (Ruru) - 16/10 Aces - Taylor (Toroa) - 23/10 Nuggets - Jackie (Kea) - 16/10 Nuggets - James - (Kea) - 23/10 Dragons - Anabelle (Kowhai) Diamonds - Sienna (Kea) Sparks - Will (Pukeko)

SCHOLASTIC

BOOK CLUB ISSUE 7 Brochures went home with the children last

There are some Bonus Christmas Gift ideas

included. If you are buying books/products as Christmas presents for your children, just let

me know and I am happy to hold here at the

office for you to collect when convenient.

Orders to be in by 9am, Friday, 8 November

BOXES NEEDED

The Fair Team require more boxes and particularly

If you have some that you can drop in over the next

the Bargain Box/My Food Bag size.

couple of days, these would be appreciated.

<u>Touch</u> Hawks - Kiera (Tawa) Keas - Mosē(Pukeko)

<u>Rippa</u> Blue - Nick (Piwakawaka) Red - Valerio (Matai))

Yellow - Charlie S (Pukeko)

YEAR 6 CAMP FUNDRAISER DESK FAIR

This is being held **TOMORROW**, **Friday**, **25 October** and there will be a wide variety for sale including toys, books, sweets, baking along with some games to play.

This is for the children only, and they will attend later in the morning in their Class/ Syndicate groups. All children need to bring is some money in either a purse or a moneybag!

CALLING ALL DADS!!!

Warm up your baking skills over this weekend in anticipation of the



DAD'S CAKE COMPETITION at next weekend's Fair!

Dad's – bring your cakes to the Cafe by 10.45am on Sunday 3 November. DO YOU HAVE ANY SHEETS THAT ARE SURPLUS TO YOUR HOUSEHOLD REQUIREMENTS? Any size - single, double, queen, king would be much appreciated. Please drop these into the office asap. Thanks.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri 25 Oct - Year 6 Desk Fair Mon 28 Oct - Labour Day Wed 30 Oct - School Photos Sun 3 Nov - School Fair Mon 4-Thurs 7 Nov - ERO Visit Wed 6 Nov - South Zone Sports Fri 8 Nov - Postponement date SZ Sports Mon 11 Nov - BOT Meeting Tues 12-Fri 15 Nov - Year 6 Camp

Tues 19 Nov - Whānau Hui Wed 20 Nov - STEAM Open Afternoon Thurs 21/Fri 22 Nov - Year 4 Sleepover Fri 22 Nov - Orange Day Thurs 28/29th Nov - Year 5 Camp Mon 2nd Dec-Thurs 5th Dec - Swimming (Kohanga & Te Ngahere) Mon 9th Dec-Thurs 12th Dec - Swimming (Kohanga & Te Ngahere) Fri 13 Dec - Reports home - Year 6 Day Out Thurs 19 Dec - Year 6 Farewell Assembly @ Bayfield High School - Last day of Term 4 Mon 3 Feb - First day of Term 1, 2020



difference



<u>theartdept.</u>

Art classes for Young Artists 2019 Term 4 Sculpture Starting -7 Nov - 5 Dec

With Artists and Art Educators Kerry Mackay and Pamela Brown Otago Pioneer Womens Building, 362 Moray Place, Dn

For more info, please look at <u>www.theartdept.org</u>



Can you provide a stable and loving environment for tamariki until it's safe for the

All children need a place where they can feel at home with their wider whänau or caregivers. Those who can give them aroha, a place of belonging and connection with family, whakapapa and culture

Caregiving can be hard at times but the rewards can be amazing. Your aroha can make all the

Sunday 3rd November 2019

s Braes Schoo

Just 10 days to go!

Facebook – there's a new page set up for Grants Braes School Fair – please like the page and share the event!

Baking

the Date!

We have put together **packs which contain most of the ingredients for lolly cake, fudge cake, lemon slice and coconut ice (including the recipe and packaging).** We would love some help making these please - if you are able to assist, the packs can be picked up from the school office.



Other baking items (such as flour, sugar and butter, packaging) can be collected from the old dental clinic on:



Thursday 24 October: 8.30-9.00am

Friday 25 October: 2.45-3.30pm

Tuesday 29 October: 2.45-3.30pm

We would like to ask *if every family could please bake one item for the Fair,* as this contributed greatly to our success last time around.

Baking can be dropped off the day before the Fair between 9.30am and 12.00pm to Room Piwakawaka.

If you would like any further information, please get in touch with Jo La Hood (ramagejo1@hotmail.com) or Steph Woodley (stephaniew@grantsbraes.school.nz).

Hay Bales

We are looking for 6-8 bales of hay – please get in touch if you can help with this ©



Plant Donations

Do you have donations of house plants, succulents or flowers for the plant stall? Please contact Jane to drop them off or if you need something to pot your donations into. janebutterfield@hotmail.com



Questions or suggestions? Contact Dee Isaacs on 027 333 1194, email the Fair Team at grantsbraesschoolfair@gmail.com or contact the school office.



It's the last weekend for drop offs direct to the PTA container: Saturday 26th October from 10am – 12 noon

Dads Cake Competition

Dust off your aprons and get the measuring cups out because Men, it's your time to shine!





Deliver your masterpieces to the café by 10.45am on the day of the fair.

Cakes will be judged, winners announced and the crème of the crop will be auctioned off.

Chocolate Wheel Items

We are still collecting prizes for the chocolate wheel. Some examples of prizes are: Electrical items, vouchers of all kinds, fishing gear, children's toys, gardening gear, wine, accommodation, chocolates, bikes, theatre or movie tickets!!!





Helpers Needed

Calling all parents, grandparents, ex pupils of Grants Braes School.

Can you spare 1 to 1.5 hours to help make the fair a success?

Contact Sonya on 021 034 6694 or Jane 027 549 4957

We are looking to fill the following positions at the fair:

Food stall - 2 people

Kids Crafts - 1-2 peopleCar smash - 1-2 people

Crockery smash - 1-2 people

Adult clothing – 1-2 people

Raffles

Have you returned your raffle card? If not, please return to the office ASAP.

We do however have raffles left to sell. The prizes are so good that the cards practically sell themselves... please pick up a few extra cards from the office if you're able to help with this over the long weekend.

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