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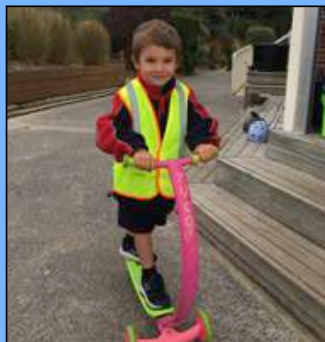
5 March 2020

WELCOME TO SANAA

**WHO JOINED HER OLDER BROTHER
HERE AT GRANT'S BRAES THIS WEEK**



KEA KIDS LOVE VISITING THEIR FRIENDS AT GB KINDY



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou

The road safety redevelopment in Belford Street and Mathieson Street is nearing completion and it is exciting that we are now able to utilise the new raised platforms. The road crossing patrol are now situated at the two red raised platforms with myself and a student opening and closing these crossings. It is important for all of the people using the crossing to know that we are unable to open the crossing if there are any cars visibly driving up or down Belford and Mathieson Streets. We currently do not have the ability to stop the traffic at this time, but will keep you all updated on this. It is important that parents and caregivers use good role modelling and use these crossings everytime they cross these roads at this intersection. I am very thankful to the DCC and Fulton Hogan workers for this new layout as I do believe this intersection is now a much safer area.

Kelly Sports will be working within the school this year to run a Health and P.E. professional development programme where experts support teachers and work alongside them to deliver their Health and P.E. programmes. We have been lucky to secure funding from Kiwisport and the Lion Foundation to cover the costs for this and I would like to formally thank them for this.

Next Friday, the PTA will be holding a sausage sizzle and Mufti-Day and the proceeds are going towards the 'Light it Orange' campaign which is to help families stay safe from domestic violence. This was selected as a worthy cause as it fits with our term's focus 'How we can keep ourselves safe'. More information about this can be found by clicking on the url: <http://www.lightitorange.co.nz/>. We ask that the students wear mufti with a splash of orange and bring a small donation to this important campaign.

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

GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL

INSPIRING TALK BY NZ CHAMPION



On Tuesday, the Ngā Manu children were treated to an inspirational talk from Ella Harris who is a NZ Champion Time Trial Cyclist. She spoke to the children in regards to perseverance, team work and setting and achieving goals. This particularly resonated with the children as they were able to make the connection to their own lives. Thanks to Mr Fry for organizing this special visit.

WEETBIX TRYATHLON



Our school had a great turnout of students participating in the Weetbix Tryathlon in Mosgiel last Sunday, and we were thrilled to win the prize for 'the most participants for 2020'! It was amazing weather and the children all had a fabulous time. Thank you very much to Rebecca McKeever for her time in organizing our group beforehand, and on the day.

PLAYERS OF THE DAY

Tee Ball

Slammers - Ariana (Rata)
Slammers - Lydia (Pukeko)

Rippa

Yellow - Maisie (Tawa)
Blue - Ashton (Piwakawaka)

Futsal

Sparks - Ashton (Piwakawaka)
Nuggets - Georgie (Kakapo)
Nuggets - Ada (Kakapo) : 26/2
Dragons - Connor (Matai)
Hurricanes - Katie (PW)
Hurricanes - Marshall (PW) : 26/2
Bombers - Fede (Rata)
Bombers - Ryan (Rata) : 26/2
Flyers - Henry (PW)
Flyers - Lachie (To) : 26/2
Stars - Theo (Puk)
Diamonds - Anty (Matai)
Tigers - Brax (Rata)
Tigers - Hector (Rata) : 26/2
Comets - Evander (Kakapo)
Dolphins - Sophie (Matai)

SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND MUFTI DAY NEXT FRIDAY 13 MARCH

This has been organized by our PTA and children and staff are asked to wear mufti with 'a splash of orange'!!! This is in support of the 'Light it Orange' campaign, which also aligns well with our "Keeping Ourselves Safe" programme currently being run throughout our school.



This day is also a Sausage Sizzle and Iceblock Day! Orders will only be taken through KINDO and are open now, and close at 9am next Wednesday (11th March) morning. There will be no late orders as the PTA need to get ordering in for the supply of sausages, bread and iceblocks.

Light it Orange



Help victims of domestic violence
get safe and stay safe.
www.lightitorange.org.nz

**8-14TH
MARCH
2020**



DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 9th March - Literacy Quiz

Fri 13th March - 'Orange' Mufti Day & Sausage Sizzle

Tues 17th March - BOT Meeting, 7.00pm

Fri 20th March - Rata/Kowhai Assembly, 2.10pm

Mon 23rd March - Otago Anniversary Day observance

Wed 1st April - Whanau Hui

Fri 3rd April - Piwakawaka/Toroa Assembly, 2.10pm

Wed 8th April - Mufti Day & Sausage Sizzle

Thurs 9th April - last day of Term 1

Tuesday 28 April - First day of Term 2

SCHOOL POLICY INFORMATION

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. Current policy for review is 'Recognition of Cultural Diversity'.

SCHOLASTIC

BOOK CLUB ISSUE 2

brochures are going home with all children this week. Final date for orders to be in is **9am, Friday, 20 February.**

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK 2020/2021 SALES OPEN!



The PTA are selling the Entertainment Book again this year and it's 100% digital:

- No more leaving your book at home
- New offers instantly on the APP so you never miss out
- Offers valid for at least 12 months from purchase

Get yours today by clicking on the link below and supporting our school!

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Early Bird offer with gift with purchase and extra months on your APP - available until 29 February.

Multi city option for ALL cities in New Zealand, Australia and Bali only \$119.99



OTAGO PRIMARY SCHOOL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS : 4 April 2020

Moana Pool

If your child is interested in entering this, please contact Jen Stevenson for further information, especially in regards to qualifying times. Email : jennies@grantsbraes.school.nz



CAN YOU HELP RATA AND KOWHAI?

If you have any wood cut-offs, they would love these for the children to use at the woodwork table. Please drop into either classroom.



Come and celebrate Seaweed 2020 by finding out more about your seashore! Be a citizen scientist and engage with the monitoring of the Otago Coast

**SUNDAY 8TH MARCH 9AM-11AM
MEET AT OCEAN GROVE SPORTS CARPARK**

For further enquires
email aless.smith@otago.ac.nz



Southern Junior Rugby Club

Welcomes new and returning players to the 2020 season

Enquires to arron.c.rugby@gmail.com / 021973291
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*family discounts available
**payment options available
(free mouth guard with all registrations)



\$15 for club socks

Under 5's \$25 (including socks)



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