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WELCOME TO
Benji
WHO STARTED IN
ROOM KEA LAST FRIDAY



AWESOME RESULTS FROM OUR E-PRO8 SUPERSTARS



OCEANIA	
2:10:43	
1 GB Engineering Ducks	40
2 Maori Hill Random People	30
3 GSNS Geniuses	0
3 GSNS Geeks	0



Congratulations to our EPRO-8 superstars - the GB Engineering Ducks who came second at the Regional Finals held on Tuesday at Dunedin North Intermediate. They finished a very close second behind Maori Hill School, but put in an excellent effort! We are very proud of Ashton, Will, Max and Patrick!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou

What a week of windy, wintery weather! It was so good to see the sun yesterday, even though the wind was still biting. Tomorrow and the weekend is shaping up to be better, so fingers crossed we have lovely spring weather.

LEVEL 2

Just a reminder that while everyone is onsite at Alert Level 2, we must adhere to key health measures including:

- * Good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette
- * Staying away if sick
- * Keeping the appropriate physical distance from others
- * Cleaning and disinfecting our high touch surfaces daily
- * Displaying QR code posters at our entrances and encouraging all of our community to download the NZ COVID Tracer App and use it if they come onsite
- * Keeping a visitor register for anyone who cannot use the app and for other visitors who come onsite for a period of time.

We know all these things will help to keep our community as safe as possible.

We are unable to hold the Dunedin 2040 STEAM Open Afternoon planned for this coming Monday (31 August) due to the Level 2 restrictions. We will be re-scheduling this, providing we move back to Level 1, before the end of the term and you will all be notified of this new date as soon as possible. The new dates for the Dunedin 2040 Exhibition is Wednesday 16 - Thursday 17 September at the Otago Polytechnic Student Hub.

EPRO8

I had the pleasure of accompanying the Grant's Braes Engineering Ducks (Patrick, Ashton, Max, Will) to the EPRO8 Grand Final on Tuesday at Dunedin North Intermediate. They worked incredibly well as a team to complete the tricky technology challenges and I am so proud to announce they came second in the Otago Region. Congratulations team, you were amazing!

ROAD SAFETY

I would like to remind parents of the importance of being good role-models when crossing the road. There have recently been a number of instances where parents have walked their children straight across Belford Street even though they were only 10 metres away from the new Belford Street crossing being run by the road patrol. It is important to use the road crossings (Belford Street and Larnach Road) when these are in operation, as these not only keep everyone safe, it also instills the importance of correct road safety in your children.

Hei kona mai i roto i kā mihi, Goodbye for now and thanks.

GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL

PLAYERS OF THE DAY WINTER SPORTS TEAMS

Netball

Diamonds - Sami (To)
Rebels - Sophia (Puk)
Mystics - Moana (Ruru)

Hockey

Bears - Miklos (PW)
Kiwisticks - Patrick (To)

**Daffodil Day
August 28**

We'll never stop caring because
cancer doesn't stop.

30
YEARS

Cancer
Society
ANZ
Daffodil Day

Daffodil Day symbolises all New Zealanders coming together in the fight against cancer. ... as well as providing an opportunity to raise awareness of cancer in New Zealand.

Daffodil Day is tomorrow - Friday 28 August

and marks the 30th anniversary of Daffodil Day.

This day is Cancer Society's most important annual fundraiser. The money raised is used to support patients with cancer and their families, fund breakthrough cancer research and help reduce the incidence of cancer for our children and grandchildren.

There will be fabric daffodils available (limited supply, preferably for adults) and stickers (for the children) when you make a donation into the box at the office. There is also the option to scan, or use your phone's camera to enable you to donate online.

Everyone of us will have been affected by cancer in some way, so your support of this very worthwhile cause will make a real difference and is most appreciated.



DO YOU HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR CELLPHONE NUMBER?

It is most important that we have your most up to date details on our system in case of an emergency for your child.

If you have changed your home address, or cellphone number, please email the office as soon as possible to let Gaylene know.

Or - if you have changed your Doctor, or wish to change the people we have listed as Emergency Contacts, please also email the office to provide these new details.



SCHOLASTIC

BOOK CLUB Brochures went home with all the children today. All orders need to be in to the office by **9am, next Friday 4 September.**

2nd HAND UNIFORM SHOP

For any inquiries about 2nd hand uniform items, please text Andrea on 021 08200287. She is happy to make arrangements for a suitable time to meet with you to come and purchase 2nd hand items.

DUNEDIN 2040 EXHIBITION

Come see what our students think
the future of our city should be.

16-17 September
Otago Polytechnic
Student Hub



DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 31 Aug - PTA Meeting

Tues 1 Sept - ICAS Maths

Mon 7 Sept - BOT Mtg, 7.00pm

Wed 16/Thur 17 Sept - Dunedin 2040

Thur 24 Sept - Y6 Desk Fair

Fri 25 Sept - last day of Term 3

Mon 12 Oct - first day of Term 4

Wed 16 December - last day of school year

REQUEST FROM AN AUTHOR - CAN YOU HELP?

"I am working on a new book project and am looking for stories. **Can you help?**

If you know of an inspirational story about how a dog has changed a life or lives I would be really interested in hearing from you. I am particularly interested in dogs that assist those with physical disabilities, autism, veterans and first responders, assist children or provide mental and emotional support - however ALL dog stories about dogs making a difference are most welcome." If you can help, or know of someone that can help, please contact the author Gina Dawson directly at gina@ginadawson.com





**SPRING 2020
HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**

Week One

Monday 28th	Tuesday 29th	Wednesday 30th	Thursday 1st Oct	Friday 2nd
Juniors Aged 5-9 Amazon.com Delivery World	Juniors Aged 5-9 The Great Escape	Juniors Aged 5-9 Colorful	Juniors Aged 5-9 The Great Escape	Juniors Aged 5-9 The Great Escape
Seniors Aged 10-14 Otago Museum Planetarium & Theatre	Seniors Aged 10-14 Fear Factor	Seniors Aged 10-14 Fear Factor	Seniors Aged 10-14 Fear Factor	Seniors Aged 10-14 Fear Factor

Week Two

Monday 5th	Tuesday 6th	Wednesday 7th	Thursday 8th	Friday 9th
Juniors Aged 5-9 BISCU	Juniors Aged 5-9 The Great Escape			
Seniors Aged 10-14 Ten Pin Bowling	Seniors Aged 10-14 Survivor	Seniors Aged 10-14 Survivor	Seniors Aged 10-14 Survivor	Seniors Aged 10-14 Survivor



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Catholic Social Services

Courses for Children



*Seasons for Growth

- is a 4 week course designed to help children to explore the impact of change and loss in everyday life, and learning new ways to respond to these changes.
- This course is planned to begin on the 2nd September from 1:30-3:00pm
- Click [here](#) to download the Young Persons Seasons for Growth brochure

*Kainga Ora (Safe and Well at Home)

- is a 6 week course designed to help kids feel good about themselves and feel safe at home.
- This course is run based on the demand, though is likely to be run in term 4.

If any of these courses strike a chord you can register by contacting us on ph. 03 455 3838 or email: office@cathsocialservices.org.nz

Fees: Contributions to our services are invited but no one is declined help if they are unable to pay. Every donation helps us to support people to live life well.



Catholic Social Services

Kainga Ora

Feeling Good At Home



A six week programme for primary school aged kids who have been exposed to conflict in the home.

What will the kids get from this course?

- Ways to understand what's happened and how they can manage their feelings about it
- Tools to help them develop a plan to keep themselves safe
- Support to share their learning with the adults in their life

What will families get from this course?

- Their children will have a way to process their emotions and find ways that manage their behaviour resulting from this experience
- The adults will have a way to understand their kids perspective and needs

For more information visit our website cathsocialservices.org.nz, phone 03 455 3838 or email us on office@cathsocialservices.org.nz



Catholic Social Services



For our cause,
for community,
FOR YOU

Support us & buy today

Right now, you can help us raise an **extra \$10 or \$20** on top of the **20%** we already receive from every Membership purchased.

We're fundraising with the Entertainment Book APP. Normally 20% of the sale price goes back to our fundraising but from now until 13th September we get an extra \$10 for any single city membership or \$20 for the multi-city membership!

If you haven't had one before, this is a great APP with heaps of discounts at local restaurants, cafes, retail outlets, accommodation, car rentals, and tourist attractions.

Your digital membership can be accessed from up to four different devices so it's perfect for sharing with friends/family.

There's never been a better time to help us:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/26014m9>

HAS YOUR CHILD TAKEN HOME A JACKET BY MISTAKE?

Please check to ensure your child has not picked up a Size 8 half red and half grey Macpac jacket with hood by mistake. If located, please drop into school office.