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## **WELCOME TO** *Emerson* **WHO STARTED IN ROOM KEA** **THIS WEEK**



## PLAYHOUSE THEATRE VISIT



On Monday we had the Playhouse theatre come and perform their play "Chilled". Their performance aimed to teach children about Antarctica, encourage an interest in science and educate about issues to do with climate change.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou

Thank you all so much for adjusting back into Level 2 so quickly. A huge amount of information was sent home yesterday and thank you for taking the time to read through this. I am committed to getting information out to you all as soon as possible and ensuring that we keep our school, staff, students and whānau safe.

I am so blown away at the uptake of the Goal Setting Interviews. Most classes have had 100% of their whānau either select an available time through online booking or have made an alternative time to meet. This is fantastic and thank you all so much for taking up this opportunity to meet with your child's teacher(s). For the two classes that interviews had to be postponed, you will be contacted shortly with alternative dates. I would also like to acknowledge the work of the teachers preparing for these goal-setting interviews.

The Whānau leaders and I took an incredible 254 cans and \$32 in cash to Presbyterian Support Otago on Monday and this was so thankfully received. Once again, thank you for your generosity, as well as to the Whānau Leaders and Mr Howell for organising this.

Last week was very successful with our 'Chess Whizzes' at the Chess Tournament and engineers at the EPro8 Challenge. Congratulations to the 'Rookie Team' who came first overall in their section at the Chess Tournament and the Junior Team who were second overall in their section. Also exciting EPro8 news, the GB Engineering Ducks have made it through to the EPro8 Grand Final!!! This will be held in a couple of weeks! Once again, a huge thank you to the parents who supported these events, as well as Mr Fry and Mrs McKeever for their organisation and preparation beforehand.

This week we have had a 'Book Shop' in our Office area and what a fantastic selection of books. I would like to thank Gaylene, Caitlin and Sandra for all of their work setting this up and also their retail skills! Thank you to you, our whānau, for supporting this as we receive a percentage of what has been purchased to buy new books for our school. Tomorrow, we will be holding a Book Character Dress-Up Day. I look forward to seeing all of the wonderful costumes that the tamariki will be wearing.

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

GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL

### The children love the annual Scholastic Book Fair!





# PENINSULA ART AWARDS



Children from our Te Ngahere syndicate submitted entries into the recent Peninsula Art Awards. It was exciting to learn that Room Tawa's class entry came 1st place, and Brax of Room Rata received a Highly Commended award. The prize giving was held last Thursday night at Bayfield High School, and representatives from Room Tawa are shown here with their prize, and also a photo of Brax receiving his from the Bayfield High School Principal.



Well done to this team of Year 6 boys who last Friday came 2nd at the EPRO8 competition held at Tahuna Intermediate and this now entitles them to compete at the Regional Finals! Good luck boys!



# PRIMARY SCHOOL'S CHESS COMPETITION



Last Thursday, Mr Fry took a group of our senior children to Sacred Heart School to compete in the Primary School Chess Competition. There were some great results with the rookies players coming First Team Overall, with Jacob (Ruru) being judged 'Best Overall Rookie' and Heath (Piwakawaka) - '3rd Overall Rookie'. The Juniors Team came in 2nd team overall, with Anthony (Toroa) 15th and Mark (Ruru) 16th overall.



This group of our school Whānau leaders went with Mr Taylor to Presbyterian Support Otago on Monday and dropped off the grand total of 254 cans, and \$32 in monetary donations for their Foodbank! Thank you to all of those who donated and supported the work of this wonderful organisation.



## **COLOURING IN COMPETITION WINNERS**

### **Year 1 and 2 children**

**1st = Michael (Kowhai)**

**2nd = Asa (Kakapo)**

**3rd = Ada (Kakapo)**

**Special Mention = Matthew (Kowhai)**

### **Year 3 and 4 children**

**1st = Kayla (Pukeko)**

**2nd = Claudia (Tawa)**

**3rd = Thomas (Tawa)**

**Special Mention = Georgia (Tawa)**

### **Year 5 and 6 children**

**1st = Adriana (Toroa)**

**2nd = Leila (Toroa)**

**3rd = Noor (Piwakawaka)**

**Special Mention = Gregor (Toroa)**

**Thank you to all the children who entered, there was some fabulous colouring in done, and it was very hard for our judges to choose the winners.  
The winners all got to choose a book to a specific value, or an item of stationery.**





## TOMORROW, FRIDAY - 14 AUGUST is 'BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP DAY'



In conjunction with having our Book Fair at school this week,  
the children are to come along tomorrow dressed up  
as their favorite Book Character.

These dress up days are always a lot of fun for the  
children and we look forward to seeing their outfits!



Weather dependant, a parade will also be held.

### PLAYERS OF THE DAY WINTER SPORTS TEAMS

#### Netball

Diamonds - Azalea (PW)

#### Hockey

Bears - William (Puk); Kiwisticks - Leila (To)



### SCHOOL SKI WEEKEND Cardrona Ski Field, Wanaka

**Saturday 19th and Sunday  
20th September**

Individual families are responsible for  
organizing their own accommodation  
and transport to the mountain.

**Bookings and payment are to be  
made by 3.00pm, TOMORROW  
Friday 14 August.**

For booking forms, please contact  
the office.

Any questions, please contact our  
school's organiser, Raquel Buckley  
on 022 1031102 or  
[buckleyfamily2019@gmail.com](mailto:buckleyfamily2019@gmail.com).

### Dunedin 2040 Class display



**Monday 24 August  
1.45 -2.45 pm**

Come along to an Open Afternoon to see  
what we have all been working on over the  
last 10 weeks!

Meet in the Hall to hear a brief description  
of what the project is all about, then you  
are free to wander through the classes and  
talk to the tamariki about their projects  
that will be on display.

See you all there!



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri 14 Aug - Book Character Dress Up Day

- PTA Pizza and IceBlock lunch

Tues 18 Aug - ICAS Science

Wed 19 Aug - Y4-6 Swimming

Mon 24 Aug - 2040 School Display

- ICAS English

Tues 25 Aug - Ariki Cup

Wed 26 Aug - Y4-6 Swimming

Thurs 27 Aug - OMathalon

Fri 28 Aug - Ariki Cup postponement

Tues 1 Sept - ICAS Maths

Mon 7 Sept - BOT Mtg, 7.00pm

Fri 25 Sept - last day of Term 3

Mon 12 Oct - first day of Term 4

Wed 16 December - last day of school year

## **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.

## IMPORTANT REMINDER

If your child is not going to be at school, please either ring the school office before 9am (leave a message as it is a 24 hour answer phone) OR send an email to both the office email address - [office@grantsbraes.school.nz](mailto:office@grantsbraes.school.nz) and your child's teacher. Sometimes a teacher can be away for various reasons, and therefore may not access emails (eg if on a professional development course), so by copying in the office email also, this ensures that we receive notification in regards to your child.

It is primarily for the safety of your child that we do need to know where they are, and if you are able to notify in advance sometimes, this can be easily entered into our Student Management System and saves us a lot of valuable time.

Thanks for your co-operation with this.



## **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.*

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Or pop in for a visit and chat.

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“Caring for children is ~  
Less about teaching them  
and more about our own way of ‘being’.  
Less about enforcing  
and more about modelling.  
Less about control  
and more about guidance.  
Less about regulating their emotions  
and more about regulating our own.  
It’s less about them  
and more about us.

Managing our own emotions and being mindful of our own behaviour is the key to teaching our children how to manage theirs.”

*LovePedagogy • Artist: Kana Handel*

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