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## WELCOME TO

*Grayson*

**WHO HAS JOINED HIS BIG SISTER AT SCHOOL,  
STARTING IN ROOM KEA THIS WEEK**



## *Reading with the Dogs!*



Barbara, Judith and their dogs - Maggie, Kate, Abbie and 7 month old Mia have recommenced their Monday visits and the children enjoyed coming over to the staffroom and reading to them, and sometimes taking them for a walk too!

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we will be holding Parent/Teacher Goal Setting interviews on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th August. This is an opportunity for students and parents/caregivers to write goals to be focused on for the remainder of the year. A sheet will be provided to you to fill in before the interview and this will then add to the discussions with your child's homeroom teacher(s) and to the interview. As per the start of the year, parents with students within Piwakawaka and Toroa will be meeting with both Mr Howell and Mrs Barrow. The online Parent Interview portal ([www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)) will be used for you to book a time and details of this are below. The goal-setting sheet will now be sent home on Friday 7 August for you to add your thoughts and bring to the interviews.

Next week is shaping up to be a fun and exciting one with a team of avid chess players competing in a tournament on Thursday. Also, two teams will be using their engineering skills to complete activities in the ePro8 Challenge. I would like to thank Hugh Fry and Rebecca McKeever for supporting our students in the preparation and organisation of these events.

On Friday 14 August, to coincide with the Scholastic Book Fair, 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 and we will hold a parade (weather dependant). The PTA has also decided to offer pizza slices instead of a sausage sizzle and more information will be shared with you all shortly.

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

GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL

## PARENT TEACHER "GOAL SETTING" INTERVIEWS are being held Wednesday 12th/ Thursday 13th August

Interviews will be of **10 minutes duration** and these can be booked using the School Interviews website [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) - School Code : **edvgj**.

**Bookings will open at 3.00pm today (Thursday 30 July) and close at 3.00pm on Tuesday 11th August.**

If you are unable to book on the website, please contact Gaylene and she will book the times you require.

Goal Setting sheets will be sent home with your child on Friday 7 August for your completion and to then bring to your child's interview for discussion.

For parents of Kea children, please note Jen is only available on Wednesday 12th August.

## PLAYERS OF THE DAY WINTER SPORTS TEAMS

### Netball

Mystics : Belle (Pukeko)

Rebels : Amelia (Toroa) - 21/7

Rebels - Frankie (Toroa) - 28/7

Magic : Seren & Georgia (Tawa) - 21/7

Magic : Chloe & Tasha (Tawa) - 28/7

### Miniball

Hot Shots - Lilly (Ruru) - 23/7

Rockets - Charlotte (Matai) - 23/7

## 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.

## SCHOLASTIC

**BOOK CLUB** Brochures went home with all the children last week. All orders need to be in to the office by 9am next Friday 7 August.

## Health

**If your child is sick, they should stay at home.** Children who arrive at school will be sent home, as directed by the Ministry of Education.

If your child has any of these **symptoms we must send them home** :-

- fever or chills
- body aches, headache
- sore throat
- shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- loss of taste or smell
- dry cough
- runny nose

If your child has these symptoms related to known hayfever or asthma, **please ensure they are taking the correct medication.**



## PRE-SCHOOL BEARS

is resuming again next  
Wednesday 5th August

This is for children who are aged 4-1/2 and over and is a great transition to school programme.

The programme takes place in Room Kea and runs from 1.40pm - 2.55pm.

Please contact the office to let us know if you would like your child to attend.

## 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, Friday 14 August.

For booking forms, please contact Gaylene in 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



## Dunedin 2040

**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!

## Peninsula Schools Art Exhibition 2020

*"A picture is a poem without words"*

Children from Te Ngahere have submitted entries into the Peninsula Schools Art Exhibition being held next week (Mon 3 Aug - Sat 8 Aug) in Herron Hall at Bayfield High School.

Herron Hall, is located through the reception entrance of Bayfield High School and will be open to the public from Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 5.30pm, Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> - Friday 7<sup>th</sup>, 8.30am – 5.30pm

Prizegiving is on Thursday evening, 6th August commencing @ 5.30pm.



# OCTACAN, Fill The Gap!!!

Please donate

Hi all,

NEXT Thursday (6 August) we will be collecting donations or cans of food.

This is to support Octacan which is run by Presbyterian Support Otago.



We are encouraging you to bring a can of food or a small donation of equal value. Since it is winter many people experience a "gap" in

food supply, often choosing between power, for their homes,



and food. Presbyterian Support Otago are asking for donations to support these people/families this winter.



You can help fill the gap by bringing a donation OR a can.

(This is being held a week later than the OCTACAN Fundraiser; however a group of our Year 6 children will take the cans in to PSO to supplement what is collected!



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 5 Aug - Y4-6 Swimming

Thur 6 Aug - Chess Power

Fri 7 Aug - EPro8

Mon 10-Thurs 13 Aug - Book Fair

Wed 12 Aug - Y4-6 Swimming

Wed 12 Aug/Thurs 13 Aug - Goal Setting Interviews

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

Fri 25 Sept - last day of Term 3

Mon 12 Oct - first day of Term 4

Wed 16 December - last day of school year



## 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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TAHUNA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL Open Night is to be held at 7.00pm next Tuesday 4th August. Enrolments closed 7 September 2020.



Entertainment Digital Memberships are convenient, easy to use and packed full of valuable 2 for 1 and up to 50% off offers for you to use over 12 months from activation. Enjoy offers from your local hospitality favourites and much, much more.

20% of the sale price goes back to the school, so purchase online today: <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/>



Register now for our Parenting Groups run on Wednesdays every Term in 2020!

A child needs consistent, responsive, loving care from parents or adults in their lives. Come along to our parenting courses to learn skills and strategies to help raise the kids in your life.

Current enrollments for August 5th & October 28th being taken now.

### TOOLBOX COURSES:

The Younger Years (aimed at babies to younger primary kids) on Wednesday mornings (9.30 - 11.30am)

The Older Years (aimed at older primary to Teens) on Wednesday evenings (7-9pm).

### PARENTING THROUGH TRANSITIONS

This is a 4 week brief intervention to help people managing big changes in their family life. It is run as required with a minimum course requirement of 5 participants, held on Thursday mornings between 9.30 - 11am.

### GAME ON (FOR DADS)

Wednesday evenings (7-9pm) Starting 5th August. This group is run for Dads by Dads and over 6 weeks covers discussions around communication, discipline and how to set goals for your children's wellbeing.

Enquiries to Liz Elder

(ph): 0276670890 or office: (03) 4553838 (e): liz@cathsocialservices.org.nz



Catholic Social Services

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**GirlGuidingNZ** helps girls become resilient and involved in their community. They will learn new skills in a safe environment while making new friends. In Term 3 2020 our fees are half price! We would love for you to join, so register your interest today at <https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/registration/>

### GIRLS LEARNING ABOUT THE WORLD AND THEIR PLACE IN IT

- PIPPINS (5 - 6 YEARS)

Girls work together to take on new challenges, from baking to fire making, to learn new things about themselves, their people and the environment.

0800 22 22 92  
GIRLGUIDINGNZ.ORG.NZ



### GIRLS DISCOVERING THEIR PASSION AND INDEPENDENCE

- BROWNIES (7 - 9 1/2 YEARS)

All Brownies girls use digital thinking, together or independently, they explore what matters to them - from science and technology to creative arts or conservation.

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