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Successful Whānau Evening!



PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou

I was so sad to miss the Whānau Evening held last week. This was a huge success with comments still coming my way as to how wonderful it was! So many people want it to be a yearly event! Congratulations to our incredible staff and tamariki for working so hard in preparation for this! I am so pleased they had the opportunity to perform their stunning Kapa Haka to you all. A huge thank you to Mr Howell for enacting his vision of this and for all of the planning and organization to make it happen! Tino pai to mahi!

Yesterday, and today, Kā Manu travelled to Brighton Beach to be involved in Beach Ed, a school-based programme giving students the knowledge to keep themselves safe in and around the surf. Thank you so much to the parents and caregivers who accompanied the classes to help with supervision, and it was lovely to see Mr Caldwell and Miss Amato making themselves available to assist too!

Next week Te Ngahere and Kōhanga start their swimming instruction. They will be travelling to the Andersons Bay School Pool and will receive expert tuition from Joy Clarke's swimming coaches.

Auditions for the annual Grant's Braes Talent Show have been undertaken this week and we are all looking forward to the finals to be held next Friday, 4 December starting at 1.30pm. I look forward to seeing you then!

Just a reminder that school is closed tomorrow (Friday 27 November) for a Teacher Only Day. Thank you very much for your support with this.

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

GARETH TAYLOR

****REMINDER****

TEACHER ONLY DAY

TOMORROW - FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER

School will be closed tomorrow as our teaching staff will be writing reports.

The Year 6 children will still attend the 'Orange Day' as planned.

'STOCK THE BUS'



Thank you for all the wonderful contributions to 'Stock the Bus' last Friday. It was awesome to see so many lovely gifts donated, and I am sure this will now help make Christmas better for many Dunedin families. Presbyterian Support staff were very appreciative, and reported that they received a total of 597 gifts from our school!

MORE WHĀNAU EVENING PHOTOS



FANTASTIC DAY AT BEACH ED



Yesterday, Piwakawaka and Toroa children enjoyed a wonderful day at Brighton Beach learning beach and water safety from the lifeguards based out there. Today, Rooms Pukeko and Ruru are receiving the same education on another sunny Dunedin day!

PUKEKO & RURU 'RUN NZ'



Rooms Pukeko and Ruru have been doing 'block runs' most days. Each lap is half a kilometre and some children are doing 4 laps! They have added up all our kilometers and have run 710kms together. As part of the 'Run NZ Run', their goal is to run the length of New Zealand. They are tracking our progress on a big NZ map in class and have just passed Lake Taupō!



HELP NEEDED FOR TRUFFLE JAR MAKING



We know everyone is busy - including our wonderful PTA members - however, they would appreciate your help with making up the truffle jars! This is to happen **THIS Saturday 28 November, at Tahuna Intermediate's Food Technology Room from 9.00AM - 4.00PM** (Hopefully finished sooner!!!). **Many hands 'make light work'**, and if you could help by being one of the many hands, this would be awesome!

Please consider **offering even an hour or two of your day -just pop on down to Tahuna or** email Steph Woodley prior to let her know of your availability. Her email address is - stephaniew@arantsbraes.school.nz.

DATES FOR LAST SPORTS GAMES OF THE SEASON

Smash and Superstar Cricket - Monday 30th November
Futsal - Tuesday 1st or Wednesday 2nd December
Rippa - Monday 7th December
Touch - Thursday 10th December
Teeball - Saturday 12th December then **restarting 13th February 2021**

PLAYERS OF THE DAY

Futsal

Comets - Tama (Kiwi)
Nuggets - Arlo (Kea)
Dolphins - Josh (Kowhai)
Sparks - Addie (Pukeko)
Diamonds - Violet (Matai) : 17/11
- Sophie (Matai) : 24/11
Flyers - Chloe (Tawa)

Touch

Hawks - Alex (Pukeko)

Rippa

Blue - Kahu (Ruru)
Red - Valerio (Ruru)

Tee Ball

Matthew (Kowhai)



CONGRATULATIONS TO Grace

For achieving the top mark at Rasa Dance School for Urban Ignition and gaining Honours with Distinction

DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri 27 Nov - Teacher Only Day

- Orange Day for Y6's

Thur 3/Fri 4 Dec - Kohanga & TeNgahere Swmg

Fri 4 Dec - Talent Quest Finals 1.30pm

Mon 7-Fri 11 Dec - Kohanga & Te Ngahere

Swimming

Mon 7 Dec - BOT Meeting, 7pm

Thurs 10 Dec - Y6 Day Out

Fri 11 Dec - Reports home

- Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle

Mon 14 Dec - Last day Kohanga & Te Ngahere

Swimming

Wed 16 December - last day of school year

BOOK CLUB brochures went home with the children last week, and there are a lot of good books and activity-type offers available. The final date for return of orders is **3.00PM TODAY** as tomorrow is Teacher Only Day. If any of your orders are for gifts, let me know and I can hold at the office and text you when they have arrived for your collection.

SCHOOL POLICY INFORMATION

School Docs Access

Visit the website -

<http://grantsbraes.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

Enter the username (grantsbraes) and password (gbparents).



Grant's Braes Kindergarten

Grant's Braes Kindergarten currently have vacancies for new children.

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.

We offer an amazing Forest programme weekly.

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.

100 Belford Street

Waverley

Dunedin.

LIBRARY BOOKS

Today was the last day that library books were issued to children. Please ensure these are all sent back to school in the next week or two, so that they can all be returned into the system.

LOST PROPERTY BOX

This blue box found either outside the school hall, or just inside the hall door, is overflowing with many unclaimed items of school clothing. Please come and check this out ASAP for any items that may belong to your children as anything unclaimed after the last day of the term will be washed and sold through our 2nd Hand Uniform Shop.

Sign up for Music Lessons!

Choose your instrument and sign up now at www.musiqhub.co.nz

- ✓ A structured curriculum with quality lesson books
- ✓ Free online resources that back up what's taught from lesson books
- ✓ Working in partnership with your school

Contact your teacher now!

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MUSIQHUB
PLAY SMART



FOOTBALL FUNDAYS
Skills and games
29 November and 6 December

1030 – 1130

Decarie Park

5 to 9 year olds
Free for everyone
Register at
Juniors@dunedinttechnical.nz

DOES ANYONE
KNOW OF A
PIANO TUNER
WHO COULD
POSSIBLY COME AND
TUNE OUR SCHOOL PIANO
BEFORE THE 'TALENT QUEST'
FINALS NEXT FRIDAY?



The Great Glenfalloch Growing Competition

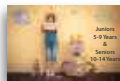
Pick up your seeds from the Cafe Nov 12-29.

\$2 to enter and free for Otago Peninsula Trust members

Judging will be part of a family day in the garden, February 2021



magic
kids club



Summer 20/21 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Week One - Schools Closing

All Ages	Monday 14 Dec	Tuesday 15 Dec	Wednesday 16 Dec	Thursday 17 Dec	Friday 18 Dec

Week Two - Pre Xmas

Juniors	Monday 21 Dec	Tuesday 22 Dec	Wednesday 23 Dec	Thursday 24 Dec	Friday 25 Dec
Seniors	Monday 21 Dec	Tuesday 22 Dec	Wednesday 23 Dec	Thursday 24 Dec	Friday 25 Dec

Week Three - Pre New Years

All Ages	Monday 28 Dec	Tuesday 29 Dec	Wednesday 30 Dec	Thursday 31 Dec	Friday 1 Jan

Week Four - New Year

All Ages	Monday 4 Jan	Tuesday 5 Jan	Wednesday 6 Jan	Thursday 7 Jan	Friday 8 Jan

Week Five - January

All Ages	Monday 11 Jan	Tuesday 12 Jan	Wednesday 13 Jan	Thursday 14 Jan	Friday 15 Jan

Week Six - January

Juniors & Seniors	Monday 18 Jan	Tuesday 19 Jan	Wednesday 20 Jan	Thursday 21 Jan	Friday 22 Jan

Week Seven - January

Juniors	Monday 25 Jan	Tuesday 26 Jan	Wednesday 27 Jan	Thursday 28 Jan	Friday 29 Jan
Seniors	Monday 25 Jan	Tuesday 26 Jan	Wednesday 27 Jan	Thursday 28 Jan	Friday 29 Jan

Week Eight - February

All Ages	Monday 1 Feb	Tuesday 2 Feb	Wednesday 3 Feb	Thursday 4 Feb	Friday 5 Feb

Open Programmes

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Wakari					
Musselburgh					
Fairfield					

Open Programmes

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Wakari					
Bathgate					
Fairfield					

Open Programmes

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Tahuna Seniors					

Open Programmes

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bathgate					

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Wakari					
Bathgate					
Fairfield					

Open Programmes

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
All Junior Programmes					
Tahuna Seniors (same excursions)					

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Tahuna Seniors					

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Fairfield					

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CITY OF READERS
CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING PROGRAMME
1 JULY 2020 - 31 JULY 2020

Register online at www.cityofreaders.govt.nz to join the 2020-21 Children's Summer Reading Programme. Set your own reading goal and fill the booklet with details of what you read over summer. From the booklet to your local library when you reach your goal so that they can give you a gift and enter you into the great draw for some very cool prizes!

You can find ideas for books to read, things to do and events at Council Public Libraries this summer on our special City of Readers Summer Reading Programme page.

VISIT www.cityofreaders.govt.nz to tell us about your local library to find out more.




The Globe Theatre Presents

Aladdin

THE PANTOMIME


Written by Ben Crocker
Music & Lyrics by Richard Lamming
Directed by David Thomson



Magical, Musical Madcap Fun for Family & Friends

Thu 3 & Fri 4 Dec 7.30pm, Sat 5 Dec 2pm,
Tue 8 to Fri 11 Dec 7.30pm, Sat 12 & Sun 13 Dec 2pm

Globe Theatre, 104 London St, Dunedin
Child to 17 years \$8, Adults \$16 (booking fees apply)
Book at www.ticket.co.nz or 0508 484 253
Door Sales may be available
More information at www.globetheatre.org.nz



A co-production in partnership with Dunedin City Council, Belding Valley Foundation, Ben Crocker Pantomimes Ltd and Pantomime Songs Ltd