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OUR TWO TEAMS OF E-PRO8 BOYS COMPETED BRILLIANTLY AT LAST WEEK'S SEMI FINALS OF THE PRIMARY SCHOOL COMPETITION AND BOTH QUALIFIED FOR THE FINALS TO BE HELD NEXT TUESDAY AT DUNEDIN NORTH INTERMEDIATE. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THESE BOYS AND WISH THEM WELL FOR THE COMPETITION NEXT WEEK!

# PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

Kia tūtura, kia kite, kia mahi katahi - To explore, discover, and learn together Mahia te mahi o tō ake kākau - Do things from the heart E kumanau ana - We care E āhei ana - We Can E mahi katahi ana - We are

Kia ora koutou Another quick message from me today, and I hope that you all had a lovely long weekend!

I would like to remind parents and caregivers that due to <u>extreme adverse weather</u> conditions, the school may start later in the morning, or a decision is made for all schools not to open at all. This decision is not made lightly and a number of representatives from the Otago Primary Principals' Association, after consultation with police and other agencies, make this decision for all primary schools. This is made in the best interests of safety for all. In these instances, we will contact you as soon as possible via text message and email, but please also listen to 97.4 More FM if you believe the school may be affected in this way. Also, with the colder weather, a lot more illnesses will be around, therefore it is timely to remind you to please keep your children home while they are unwell. Children do not concentrate or learn well when they are sick, and so resting them at home is the best option for them. This will also help minimise the 'passing on' of these bugs to other children or staff. Please note if your child has a vomiting or diarrhoea bug, they are to be away from school for at least a further 24 hours from the last event.

<u>Exciting news!</u> Our <u>two EPRO8 teams have made it to the finals</u>, to be held next Tuesday at Dunedin North intermediate. Our school also featured on Channel 39 with Austin and Mrs McKeever being interviewed. Once again, I would like to thank Rebecca McKeever for the work she has done in preparing the students for this and also for supervising them at the event on Tuesday.

Today, our school is observing <u>Support Staff Day!</u> Nationally, all schools are recognising their Support Staff this week, and today has been our opportunity to recognise the fantastic work and care our Learning Assistants (Sandra, Caitlin, Niki, Annette, Elaine, Rebecca T, Michelle and Hannah); Caretaker - Steve, and Office Manager - Gaylene, provide to our school community.

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

# \*\*<u>REMINDER</u>\*\*

# NEXT MONDAY - 14 JUNE - is a TEACHER ONLY DAY

(Teachers are doing report writing)

SO NO SCHOOL FOR THE CHILDREN!

### **CONGRATULATIONS**



The above four children - Sophia, Catherine, Jacob and Matthew all competed in the South Island Primary School and Otago/Southland Karate Championships last weekend and they all did exceptionally well winning numerous medals between them. Well done to you all!!!

### PLAYERS OF THE DAY

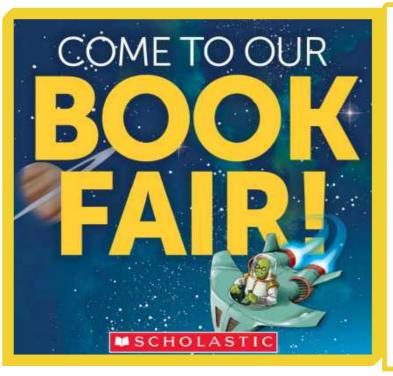
<u>Miniball</u> All Stars - Johnny (PW) Hot Shots - Max B (Matai)

<u>Netball</u> Mystics - Seren (Ruru) Diamonds - Ruby B (PW)

## **REMINDER**

Coaches all give up their valuable time to coach and manage our sports teams.

If for good reason your child is unable to play on game day, please always contact your coach in plenty of time to let them know. Often other children need to be called in to cover, and so this is respect for both the team and the coach.



### Tuesday 22nd - Friday 25th June

For our new families, this is effectively like a 'Scholastic Book Shop', and great books are offered at great prices for you or your child to buy. There are also a few items of stationery available too. Children will come over to 'view' and write up a 'wish list' with their class teachers on either Tues 22nd or Wed 23rd June. Even though we thoroughly encourage the value of books and reading to the school children, there is absolutely no obligation for you to buy anything at all for your child! Further information in regards to hours and a 'late night' when the 'shop' will be open in the office foyer will be sent out closer to the dates. Good to get the children maybe doing some additional chores now to earn some extra pocket money to perhaps put towards a book if you wish them to.

# **\*\*REMINDER\*\***

# SCHOOL UNIFORM NOW ONLY AVAILABLE AT NZ UNIFORMS IN MORAY PLACE



As from last week, all school uniform can either be bought in-store (342 Moray Place, Dunedin - ph 03 9291213) or online (<u>https://www.nzuniforms.com/</u>).



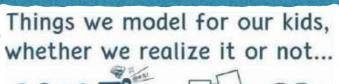
## DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 14 June - Teacher Only Day (Report Writing) Tues 15 June - EPro 8 Final, 10.30am Tues 22 - Fri 25 June - Book Fair Fri 25 June - Pukeko Assembly, 2.00pm Mon 28 June - BOT Meeting, 7pm Fri 2 July - Pizza Day and Mufti Day for **Dunedin Hospice** Fri 2 July - Tarewai (Toroa and PW) Assembly, 2.00pm Fri 9 July - Last day of school term Mon 26 July - First day of Term 3 Fri 14 Aug - Ruru Assembly, 2.00pm Fri 28 Aug - Kohanga Assembly, 2.00pm Mon 13- Fri 17 Sept - Polyfest Week Mon 29 Nov - Teacher Only Day Fri 10 Dec - Talent Quest Finals Tues 14 Dec - Leavers Ceremony Last day of school year Wed 15 Dec - Teacher Only Day

# **SCHOLASTIC**

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ISSUE 4

went home last week. Final date for orders to be in is tomorrow 9am, Friday, 11 <u>June.</u>





how WR apologize & repair

how we approach

differences

how we solve how we take care problems

of ourselves

HELP NE how we ask for help

how we care

for animals



how we care for

our environment

navigate conflict

up" for self & others 23-

how

listen

### 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 on school days to meet with you to come and purchase 2nd hand items.

#### SCHOOL POLICY **INFORMATION**

School Docs Access Visit the website http://grantsbraes. schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm Enter the username (grantsbraes) and p/wd (gbparents). This term's policy for review is Home Learning.

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