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Pataitai Time is one of our favourite times of the week in Te Ngahere. This term we are focusing on the value 'We Learn - E aka ana'. We do this by being creative, collaborative and curious! These amazing children have made their own potions, balance boards, obstacle courses, crafts and shows. We learn by having fun together!

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 āko ana - We learn
E āhei ana - We Can
E mahi katahi ana - We are

Kia ora koutou

What a wet miserable week we have been having! Hope you are managing to keep warm and dry.

Congratulations to our <u>EPro8</u> teams who competed in the finals on Tuesday at Dunedin North Intermediate. We are so proud of all of the boys who gave it their absolute best at the finals, and were a real credit to our school. Thank you too to Rebecca McKeever for her expert work preparing the boys, and for supervising them on the day.

Our next <u>Whānau Hui</u> is being held this Monday evening, starting at 5.30pm. Invitations have been sent to all the families included, and we look forward to seeing you next Monday.

Thank you to our <u>wonderful PTA</u> who have donated funds to the school to allow each classroom to purchase games and other activities for 'wet weather' days; - this is really appreciated by both the teachers and children. Our School's major fundraiser for this year is the <u>Fair scheduled for Sunday 31 October</u> and a <u>meeting is being held next Tuesday evening, 22nd June @ 7pm in the Staffroom</u> to plan for this. If you would be interested in helping run a stall, or being involved in another way with the Fair, it would be great to see you at Tuesday night's meeting.

Just a 'heads up' too that <u>Parent Teacher Interviews</u> are coming up, following mid-year school reports going home on Friday 2 July. The interviews are on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th July and further information will be sent home soon in regards to booking for these on the School Interviews website.

Our <u>Annual Book Fair</u> is going to be at school next week from Tuesday to Friday, and this is always an exciting time for the children. Reading and books are such an important part of children's education and this is a great opportunity for this to be further encouraged in this way. However, please do not feel any pressure to buy, we certainly understand every family's situation is different.

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



NEXT TUESDAY 22nd - FRIDAY 25TH JUNE

8.30AM - 9.00AM *** 3.00PM - 3.30PM

LATE NIGHT THURS 24TH 3.00pm - 6.00pm

Payment for items purchased at the Book Fair can be by cash, EFTPOS or using the Scholastic Book Club's credit card facility.

Please see the letter and flyer sent home with all children yesterday for further info.

BOOK CHARACTER DAY



Next Thursday 24th June

To coincide with our Book Fair, come to school dressed up as your favorite book character!!

This is optional, and if your child is not wearing a book character costume, they can wear their own clothes or school uniform.

(Note - We will not be having a parade this year)





PLAYERS OF THE DAY

<u>Miniball</u> Aces - Gerrit (PW) t Shots - Ryan (Tawa

Hot Shots - Ryan (Tawa) All Stars - Eddie (To)

<u>Netball</u> Mystics - Jessica R (PW) Diamonds - Sophia (PW)

Hockey
Bears - Frankie (Matai)
Sharks - Jake (To) - 9/6
Sharks - Max B (To)- 16/6



Rātā have been learning about measurement with student teacher Miss Cooper over the past two weeks. They learnt that the Mass of an object is the weight. Rātā extended their learning about Mass by lifting, pushing and pulling objects, putting objects in order from the lightest to heaviest and determining different sizes of Mass. This was then followed by a fun Mass lesson about Goldilocks and the Three Bears going to the movies and deciding what size popcorn box they would need.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues 22 - Monarch Show
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
Wed 7 July - Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thurs 8 July - Parent Teacher Interviews
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

DO YOU HAVE ANY SPARE SMALL SIZE SHORTS OR TROUSERS THAT YOU COULD DONATE PLEASE?

We are running out of these in our 'spares' so would appreciate those lent out to be returned, and also any that are still in reasonable condition to be donated please.



REMINDER

SCHOOL UNIFORM NOW ONLY AVAILABLE AT NZ UNIFORMS IN MORAY PLACE

All school uniform can now either be bought in-store (342 Moray Place, Dunedin - ph 03 9291213) or online (https://www.nzuniforms.com/).

There has been a delay in getting the website up and running but we have been informed it should hopefully be operational by the end of this week. We will keep you informed.

SCHOOL POLICY INFORMATION School Docs Access

Visit the website - http://grantsbraes.schooldocs.co.nz/

Enter the username (grantsbraes) and p/wd (gbparents). This term's policy for review is Home Learning.

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.

Is it time for a clear-out??

The Beauty Parlour for Wā Tūhūra is desperately short of nail polishes and nail decorations - we would be very grateful for any donations of unwanted decorations and any colours of nail polish. Please drop-off either to the office or to Room Ruru.



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF GREAT DEALS FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY



Take the flyer that was sent home last week with your child when you go in to Noel Leeming as the barcode has to be scanned to get the discount.