



DIVING AT MOANA POOL



As part of their weekly swimming lessons at Moana Pool, the Year 4-6 children learn to dive into the deeper water in the Diving Pool. It is great having parent helpers on hand to help the children build their confidence.

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 ako ana - We learn

E āhei ana - We Can

E mahi kātahi ana - We are

Rāpara 5 Whā

Kia ora koutou

With the sudden artic blast that occurred on Sunday through to Monday, it is important to remind you all of the procedures around late starts and closures. 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 48 hours from the last event.

I would like to do a last push for tonight's PTA Fundraiser. Tickets are still available for tonight's fabulous event with Kathryn Berkett - 'Raising Resilient Children' - to be held at Kings and Queens Performing Arts Centre, 7.00pm. Ticket information is contained in this newsletter.

This week we will be treated to Ruma Ruru's parent assembly. This is on Friday starting at 2pm in the Hall and will showcase the learning that has taken place. I look forward to seeing you there. Next week is going to be very exciting with Harold and Maria from Life Education visiting us. All the classes will have two sessions in the bus learning about positive relationships and interpersonal skills. On Thursday, 30 musicians will travel to Taieri College to perform with other students in the annual Ukulele Jam. I would like to thank Rebecca McKeever for all of her work teaching the students the songs and for her wonderful organisation. On this day, we also have a team of chess players competing in the Chess Power Tournament and I would also like to thank Adrian Seconi and Amy Christie for supporting the students at their event. Thursday is proving to be a very significant day as this is also the day that our Third Year Student Teachers start their final practicum. They will be within our school for a month and will undertake a sustained period of teaching. They have been working so hard to get to this point in their training and we know they will have a very successful and enjoyable practicum.

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

GARETH TAYLOR



SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND 'OWN CLOTHES' DAY

NEXT Friday 20 August



This 'Own Clothes Day' has been organized by our PTA and children are asked to **bring along an item suitable as a prize on the Chocolate Wheel** at this year's School Fair (to be held Sun 31 Oct). Please have your child **take this along to their classroom next Friday**. Suitable items for you to consider donating are - boxes of chocolates, small 'smellies' gift boxes, small value vouchers, toys and games, LEGO boxes, homeware - eg platters, boxed glasses/coffee mugs, etc etc. **(Please note - these items must be new please!)**

This day is also a **Sausage Sizzle and Iceblock Day**. Orders will only be taken through **KINDO** and are open now, and **close at 9am next Wednesday 18 August**. There will be **no late orders** as the PTA need to get their ordering in for the supply of sausages, bread and iceblocks.

Helpers are also required to cook and hand out the sausages and ice blocks. If you are available from 11.30am - 1.00pm on Friday 20th to help, **please contact Sumanth** by texting him on 021 481716.

TONIGHT - STILL TICKETS AVAILABLE!!!

**NOT ONLY A GREAT FUNDRAISER FOR OUR SCHOOL,
BUT AWESOME INFORMATION FOR EVERY PARENT!!!!**

PLAYERS OF THE DAY

Netball

Diamonds - Frankie (To)

Miniball

Aces - Gerrit (PW)

Rockets - Alex (Tawa)



Raising Resilient Children

What we can do – as parents and community – to help!

We use the word *resilience* all the time, we want it for ourselves and for our children. What does it actually look like? And how do we develop it?

Understanding the neuroscience of how resilience develops helps us to increase resilience in our communities. This session will help you understand, in a simple yet sufficient way, how we can build resilience.

Take the information and immediately apply it to your world. Reports of 'you have changed our household' and 'I get it now' are very common feedback from these sessions.

Kathryn Berkett is a mother of two adolescents, with a Masters in Educational Psychology. Kathryn has been working in this area for over twenty years, training national and international audiences, including Police, Teachers, Parents, Social Workers, NZ Rugby and many more.

Come along to this unique, local opportunity to hear what might be the most useful information of your life!

Tickets available now:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/260123695283>



LEARN WHAT
RESILIENCE
"LOOKS LIKE"

REAL 'TAKE HOME'
STRATEGIES

EASY TO
UNDERSTAND
EXAMPLES

12 August 2021
7-9pm

Kings and Queens
Performing Arts Centre
270 Bayview Road,
Dunedin

Excellent presentation, loved the examples, easy to understand. Have heard some of the info many times before however the way you explained things CLICKED for me! – Parent (Whangarei)

**HAVE ANY OF YOUR
CONTACT DETAILS
CHANGED?**



If your phone number has changed, or your child's emergency people and/or their phone numbers has changed, please contact the office ASAP to update these details. It is most important that we have your up to date details in the case of sickness or accident. Thanks.

Email - office@grantsbraes.school.nz



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Fri 13 Aug - Ruru Assembly, 2.00pm
- Mon 16 Aug - BOT Meeting, 7.00pm
- Tues 17 Aug - English ICAS, 9.10am
- Tues 17 - Fri 20 Aug - Life Education Bus
- Wed 18 Aug - Structured Lit Parent Mtg, 7pm
- Thurs 19 Aug - Ukelele Jam
- Fri 20 Aug - 'Own Clothes' Day & Sausage Sizzle
- Wed 25 Aug - Ariki Cup
- Thurs 26 Aug - Science ICAS, 9.10am
- Mon 30 Aug - PTA Meeting, 7.00pm
- Thurs 2 Sept - Maths ICAS, 9.10am
- Tues 7 Sept - Whānau Hui, 5.30pm
- Fri 10 Sept - Cross Country Champs - 'Own Clothes' Day and Pizza Day
- Mon 13 - Fri 17 Sept - Polyfest Week
- Fri 24 Sept - Kohanga Assembly, 2.00pm
- Mon 27 - Wed 29 Sept - Stars on Stage
- Fri 1 Oct - last day of term
- Mon 18 Oct - first day of Term 4
- 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

SCHOOL SKI TRIP

(Cardrona Ski Field, Wanaka)
SAT 18/SUN 19 SEPTEMBER



(Forms to be in and payment to be made by 9.00am TOMORROW - Friday 13 August)

Families are able to be part of our school group and receive a discount on costs that are part of that. Families are required to make their own way to Wanaka and to arrange their own accommodation.

The ski trip this year is being held on **Sat 18/Sun 19 September, and you are able to ski either, or both days!**

You will need to be at Cardrona at 7.30am on the day/s you are skiing to arrange lift passes/equipment etc.

The rates are the same for both children and parents -

- * Single Day Package (Lift pass, lesson & rental equipment) - \$100
- * Single Day Lift & Lesson - \$75

Forms for completion are available from the office, and time is tight for confirmation with Cardrona, **so these need to be returned, along with full payment, by 9am TOMORROW, Friday 13 August.** If the weather is such that you are unable to ski on the day/s you have chosen, then your money will be refunded.

For any queries, contact Sarah - sjwyllie@hotmail.com.

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 policies under review are Behavior Management and Concerns and Complaints.



Rotary Park Kindergarten
289 Highcliff Road, Waverley



Spaces are available NOW
8.30am - 12.30pm
And/or 8.30am - 2.30pm

2-year olds can attend for \$2.75 an hour
3-5+ years are eligible for up to 30 Hours Free



Enrolment forms are available from the kindergarten
or
Online at: www.dk.org.nz
or
Contact the kindergarten on 4544238
or
Email rotarypark@dk.org.nz

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