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Welcome to
James
Who joined Room Kea this week.



PŪKEKO/TOROA ARTWORK THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THROUGHOUT THE TERM



PRINCIPAL'S 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 kumanu ana - We care
E āhei ana - We Can

E ako ana - We learn
E mahi kātahi ana - We are

Kia ora koutou

I hope you all had a lovely long weekend and that you had some special time with friends and family.

COVID-19 Update

As I write this, we currently have six people isolating due to being a close contact, ten isolating due to testing positive for COVID and twenty four people who have returned to school. To date, we have had a total of twenty two positive COVID cases. I will continue to notify whānau of cases within the school by notifying the class and collaborative class, as well as the school community if they have been within the school in the past 48 hours. Please note that I will now only be reporting the number of 'people' who have contracted COVID rather than students or teachers. **From tomorrow we will be able to distribute RAT tests to children that become unwell at school and are required to be sent home.**

Yesterday morning the Prime Minister announced the changes to the COVID-19 Protection Framework which will take effect from 11:59 pm this Friday 25 March, and to vaccine mandates and My Vaccine Pass, which will take effect from 11:59 pm Monday 4 April. It is important to note that New Zealand still remains at RED, and the GBS Red Level Procedures will continue to be in place, albeit updated with the following aspects when they come into effect. The key changes are as follows:

My Vaccine Pass and vaccination mandates

- The removal of vaccination mandates for education workers will take effect from 11.59 pm Monday 4 April.
- On the same date, removal of the My Vaccine Pass from the COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic light system).
- There is no requirement to display QR code posters although we will retain these and can be used at your own discretion. This system may need to return if case numbers rise.

COVID-19 PROTECTION FRAMEWORK RED LEVEL

- There is no change to masks in education settings from the existing Red setting
- For all New Zealanders, including in school settings, masks will not be required outdoors.
- Capacity limits will be removed for outdoor events and activities.
- Indoor capacity limits for extra-curricular activities increase to 200 people, or a maximum capacity based on the maximum number of people who could occupy the space if each person was one metre apart (whichever is lower).

I will share the updated GBS RED Protection Framework with all whānau once these have come into effect. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or questions.

The Whānau Leaders decided upon the Tonga Relief Fund as the focus of the donation for last week's "Own Clothes Day" and I am very proud to announce that \$262.20 was raised! Also, a huge thank you to the members of the PTA for organising and running the Pizza/Ice Block lunch last Friday. I would also like to mention that the PTA is still looking to fill the President's role. Being involved in the PTA is a fantastic way to give back to the school and we have a very supportive and hardworking PTA who will give you all the support required. As this year is not a Fair Year, it is a great time to learn the ropes of this most rewarding role. If you are interested then please email Narelle Jakeway, narelle.jakeway@gmail.com.

Support for Ukraine

I am welcoming any monetary donations which will be passed on to the New Zealand Red Cross Ukraine Humanitarian Aid at the end of this term. Please put any donations in an envelope and post in Millie the Mailbox or alternatively give through their website <https://www.redcross.org.nz/donate/ukraine-humanitarian-crisis-appeal/>

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

GARETH TAYLOR



DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs 14th April - Last day of Term 1
Mon 2nd May - First day of Term 2

2022 TERM DATES

Term 2 - Mon 2nd May to Fri 8th July
Term 3 - Mon 25th July to Fri 30th Sept
Term 4 - Mon 17th Oct to 15th Dec

Player of the day

Touch:

Y5/6 GB Kahurangi - Chloe (PW)



COTTON FACE MASKS

Triple layer cotton face masks available in the office.

Two sizes: 7-12 yrs & 3-7 yrs
\$5 each all proceeds donated to the school (cash only)

SCHOOL POLICY INFORMATION

School Docs Access

Visit the website - <http://grantsbraes.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
Enter the username (grantsbraes) and p/wd (gbparents).

In term one, the focus is on the Health and Safety Management and Emergency, Disaster, and Crisis Management sections. Policies for review are:

- [Visitors](#) - [School Closure](#) - [Earthquakes](#) - [COVID-19 Information and Procedures](#)

SCHOLASTIC

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ISSUE 2

Final day for all orders is
9am Friday 25th March.

PIZZA'S & OWN CLOTHES DAY

The PTA held our first fundraiser for the year last Friday 18th March being Pizza Day.

This was well received by our tamariki who have missed out on on these sorts of events of late. We're thrilled to say that we raised a total of \$441.01 from the Pizza Day fundraiser. A big thanks to all our parent helpers on the day and for your support of this event.

Our Whanau leaders chose The Motu (Island) Rebuild Initiative (Tonga Tsunami Relief) as recipient of our Own Clothes Day held on the same day and we are pleased to say we have donated \$262.20 to this cause on behalf of Grant's Braes School.

Thanks all

Narelle Jakeway
PTA Vice President



SECONDHAND UNIFORM

If you are interested in viewing or purchasing any of the secondhand uniform currently available, please contact the Shop Supervisor, Sally Nicholls to make a suitable appointment time. Her cellphone number is 027 7376649. Payment for any uniform items purchased is to be made at the office by EFTPOS or cash.

HEAD LICE

We have had reports that head lice has again been found in some of our children's heads/hair. Please check your child's head/hair and if they are found, we would appreciate if you could please treat promptly.

Thank you.

PIZZA "S AND OWN CLOTHES DAY



Thanks to the PTA!



Contact Us

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We are thrilled to be offering after school care to the children at Grants Braes School in term 2!

Our skilled and trained team of coaches have delivered exceptional after school care & school holiday programs in Dunedin for over 10 years now.

To express your interest to enrol in Playball for Term 2 please email coachliam@playball.co.nz

For more information visit us at playballotago.com

Don't miss out spaces are limited



Playball Price List

- 3pm—3:30pm (1/2 hour) - \$5
- 3pm—4pm (1 hour) - \$8
- 3pm—4:30pm (1 and 1/2 hour) - \$10
- 3pm—5pm (2 hours) - \$14
- 3pm—5:30pm (2 and 1/2 hour) - \$16
- 3pm—6pm (3 hours) - \$18

Prices Include GST

WINZ Subsidies available



GRANTS BRAES AFC

Girls Skills Program with
The Smurfettes

For Girls Aged 4 to 6

Sundays 11am till Midday

Ocean Grove

FREE

Starts Sunday 1st May



Scan QR Code To
Registration Link

GRANTS BRAES AFC

Skills Program For Boys
Aged 4 And 5

Sundays 11am till Midday

Ocean Grove

FREE

Starts Sunday 1st May



Scan QR Code To
Registration Link

