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## PŪKEKO'S VISIT TO TOITŪ



Pūkeko children are shown here enjoying their visit to Toitū Museum last week. They loved having the opportunity to dress up and to engage in the programme offered.

# 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 enjoyed spending time with whānau, sharing kai together and remembering those who have passed, during our first Matariki weekend. This is an incredibly special and important national holiday and I loved how this was embraced throughout the country.

On Monday night, I met with representatives of our Māori whānau and we discussed the development of a Māori Strategic Plan and a school waiata. We also talked about the school visit to the Ōtākou Marae in Week 1, Term 3 and commenced planning for our school Hāngī in Term 4. Discussion also took place in regards to the importance of creating a school-based celebration for Matariki in 2023.

As I've mentioned, the whole school is visiting the Ōtākou Marae in the first week of Term 3 (Year 4-6 Tuesday 26 July, Year 0-3 Thursday 28 July). This is a wonderful opportunity for our tamariki to be immersed in Te Ao Māori. Information in hard copy format was sent home earlier this week and I would like to thank the whānau who have indicated that they would like to be considered in joining with us on the day. We are limited to the number of people that can attend so parent helpers will be put into a ballot and duly notified next week.

## School Reports and Interviews

School Reports for all children, except those in Kea, are going home tomorrow. For families who have children currently away for a number of days relating to COVID, we have posted yours so you can expect these in the next few days in your mailbox.

Mid-Year interviews to discuss these Reports are being held next Wednesday 6th July and Thursday 7th July, via Zoom. These interviews between teachers and parents are extremely worthwhile to ensure both the school and parents are working together to obtain the best outcomes for the children. I encourage you to please make sure you do book a time to chat; there is more information on the next page in regards to booking times.

## COVID-19 Update

As I write this, we currently have eight people isolating due to being a close contact and five people isolating due to testing positive for COVID.

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

# **MID -YEAR INTERVIEWS**

## **Next Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th July**

Interviews will be of **10 Minutes duration** and will be conducted **via ZOOM only**. Your child's class teacher will send you the link early next week.

Interviews are to be booked using the School Interviews Website [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) - School Code : **vxp4g**.

Bookings have **now opened** and will **close next Tuesday 5th July @ 3.00pm**.

If you are unable to book on the website, please contact your child's class teacher or the office for assistance in booking the times you require.



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### **OUT OF ZONE PLACES FOR TERMS 3 AND 4 2022**

The Board of Trustees of Grant's Braes School have determined that there are limited new-entrant spaces available in Term 3 and 4 of this year. We welcome applications for out-of-zone students who turn five between 25 July 2022 and 14 December 2022.

The Term 3 and Term 4 enrolment period is Monday 25 July 2022 - 14 December 2022. Applications for enrolment within this enrolment period for out-of-zone new entrant children close at **3.00 pm, on Wednesday 6 July 2022**.

**Please forward your written application to [stephaniew@grantsbraes.school.nz](mailto:stephaniew@grantsbraes.school.nz)**

Please don't hesitate to contact the school directly by either emailing [office@grantsbraes.school.nz](mailto:office@grantsbraes.school.nz) or by phone on 454 4717, if you would like more information.

If out-of-zone applications exceed the number of places available, a ballot will be held.

Steph Woodley  
**Presiding Member**  
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# CHRISTMAS ART DECORATIONS



As our School is to be participating in the forthcoming Waverley Mid-Winter Christmas Tree Festival to be held at the St Philip's Church (4-7th Aug), this group of Kā Manu children, under the expert eye of Mr Wood, have been making some wonderful Christmas Tree decorations!

## WEDNESDAY LIBRARY TIMES !





## THIS FRIDAY IS 'OWN CLOTHES DAY'

(along with Pizza and Iceblocks - orders on KINDO close this Wednesday, 29th June @ 9am)

In support of Presbyterian Support Otago's  
**"OCTACAN" Winter Appeal/Drive**  
 please send your child to school with a can/s, or  
 an item/s of dried, non-perishable food.

Please have your child take their food item to their classroom  
 on Friday morning.

This is instead of a gold coin donation.

## OWN CLOTHES DAY Fri 1st July

### Most Needed

#### Canned foods:

- Spaghetti
- Canned meals
- Meats & fish
- Soups
- Pasta sauce
- Tomatoes
- Fruit
- Vegetables
- Baked beans
- Other tinned foods (i.e., baby food, pet food, creamed rice, coconut milk)
- Tear top cans (great for people living rough or without housing)

#### Other Ideas

- Donate online at [octacan.org.nz](http://octacan.org.nz) in place of cans.
- Non-food items are always needed eg. toilet rolls, nappies, toothpaste, soap.
- Non-canned foods can be donated directly to the foodbank at 407 Moray Place on weekdays, or at OCTACAN on 23 June 2022.

Unfortunately we are unable to accept the following items

- Rusty cans
- Unlabelled cans
- Open or used items



[www.octacan.org.nz](http://www.octacan.org.nz)



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### TERM 2

- Fri 1 July - Reports home
- Own Clothes Day and Pizza Day
- Tues 5th July - Kōhanga to Toitu
- Wed 6th/Thurs 7th July - Interviews
- Fri 8th July - Last day of Term 2

### TERM 3

#### Mon 25th July - 1st day of Term 3

Tues 26th July - Ōtākou Marae School visit  
y4-6

Thurs 28th July - Ōtākou Marae School visit  
y0-3

### 2022 TERM DATES

Term 3 - Mon 25th July to Fri 30th Sept

Term 4 - Mon 17th Oct to 15th Dec

## ALL LOST PROPERTY ITEMS

will be displayed on the Hall Stage this Friday!!!

Please have your child check, or come in yourself before school or after school to have a look for any items that may belong to your family.



ISSUE 4 books won't be far away! They have had a backlog, but when contacted earlier this week, our order was getting boxed and ready for shipment then.

## PTA 'Kai Pai Pies and Savouries Fundraiser'

Pies and Savouries Collection  
NEXT Thursday 7th July

FROM 2.30-4.30PM,  
IN THE SCHOOL HALL!

On pick up, please remember to bring your bag/boxes and ice/cooler packs.

## PLAYERS OF THE DAY

### **\*\*Netball\*\***

GB Magic - 28 June

Outstanding Participation - Poppy (Pūkeko)  
MVP -Seren (PW)

## 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.

## 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 two, there are no specific policies for whānau to review.

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## We are now offering after school care to the children at Grants Braes School in Term 3 2022

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

We will be holding the care at St Phillips Church from 3 pm — 6pm daily.

For more information visit us at: [playballotago.com](http://playballotago.com)

**Don't miss out spaces are limited**



### Playball Price List

- 3pm—4pm (1 hour) - \$8
- 3pm—5pm (2 hours) - \$14
- 3pm—6pm (3 hours) - \$18

**WINZ Subsidies & sibling  
discounts available**



Kavanagh College will be renamed Trinity Catholic College from 2023

## OPEN DAY



**Starts 12 noon Sunday 7th August**

Meet at the Kavanagh College Auditorium  
(Entry off Tennyson Street)



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If you are unable to attend, we are very happy to organise a personalised tour at a time that suits!

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THE GLOBE THEATRE PRESENTS

## TOYBOX'S Dory and the Banished Cellphone Adventure

Directed By  
Jamie Byas



**18th - 22nd July 2pm**

Book tickets at  
[iticket.co.nz](http://iticket.co.nz) (Door sales may be available)  
**\$10 each**

