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**WELCOME TO
Wolf who started
in Kea this week**



CREATIVES IN SCHOOLS - MATAI'S FABULOUS WORK



The Creatives In Schools art project is coming along very well, and this week the children in Matai were working very diligently on adorning their manuka. We have so appreciated the expertise and guidance of 'The artdept' tutors Kerry and Pamela who have been leading these lessons.

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

Spring has sprung!!! Welcome to the new season! With the forecast to be a balmy 19 degrees today, but snow in our region forecast for this weekend, it is still very changeable!

I would like to acknowledge our wonderful athletic mathematicians who competed in the annual Omathlon last Thursday! They all did so well and I would like to especially congratulate the Year 5 team consisting of Sasanka, Reghan, Noah and Miya, who got third in their competition. Thank you to Steve Carr and Melissa Hulls for their supervision, as well as Mrs McKeever for her organisation and for preparing the ākoka so expertly!

With the days becoming longer and with much more visibility, I would like you all to consider dropping off your children in the mornings in a safe place that is not so close to the main entrances to school. This not only will help with developing their independence, but also reduce congestion around these areas. This could be also done at the end of school by encouraging your children to use the road crossings and walk to a pre-determined safe collection spot. We are still having on-going issues with parents and caregivers parking over driveways and on yellow lines, and I believe that this would be a proactive way in helping to reduce this issue. Your support with this would be much appreciated and will ensure the safety of all!

On Monday, a large group of educators from South Otago Primary schools visited our school to look at how Structured Literacy and Play-based learning operates at our Kura. It is so humbling to know that our school is being revered as leaders within our region. I would like to thank our incredible staff for opening up their classrooms and programmes and for sharing their passion and expertise. I would also like to thank Mrs Wispinski for liaising with the South Otago teachers, and her organisation.

I wish the nine cross-country athletes who are competing in the Otago Champs tomorrow all the best for their race. Mrs Stevenson and I will be supporting them and you can look forward to hearing how they went in next week's newsletter.

Invites to our second Hui Whānau have been sent to our Māori whānau and the hui is being held on Monday 12 September.

COVID-19 Update

We continue to have no active COVID cases at our school and only two people isolating due to being close contacts.

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

GARETH TAYLOR

BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE

Kia ora koutou.

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Nic Wall. At our recent BOT Meeting (15/08/22), Steph Woodley stepped down from the position of Chairperson and I was elected to this position. I am excited for this opportunity and look forward to continuing the excellent work that Steph and the current BOT have been doing in conjunction with our amazing leadership team, teachers and community. I can't thank Steph enough for all she has done in her time as Presiding Member and I know that everyone will wish her well for her future endeavours.

Board resignations: It is with regret that I must inform our school community that long standing board members, Trudie Evans, Rachel Bailey-Young, and Steph Woodley have tendered their resignation from the BOT, effective once the new BOT has been voted in. I wish to publicly acknowledge their massive contribution to the School over the past 3-6 years and thank them for their service.

Board elections: A huge thank you to those within our School community who put their names forward to stand for election. We appreciate you taking the time to indicate your willingness to provide this service to the school. A reminder that voting is currently open. Candidate statements and voting papers were mailed to all school families last week and can be posted back or put into 'Milly the Mailbox' by 21 September. I encourage you to take this opportunity to have your vote counted. Thank you to those who have already done so! Counting of the vote takes place on 27th September and the community will be notified of those successful candidates soon after.

Kia pai tō koutou rā

Nicola Wall, on behalf of the Board of Trustees

nicolaw@grantsbraes.school.nz.



Voting papers for our school's Board of Trustee Elections have all been posted out. Please support our school by exercising your vote, and either pop the voting paper in the envelope provided and drop into 'Milly the Mailbox' in the office reception area, or post back to our Returning Officer, Niki van Plateringen in the envelope provided.

OMATHLON 2022



On Thursday last week we had 3 teams compete in the Otago Omathlon. We were very proud of all the children who took part. They worked hard as a team and supported each other in true Grant's Braes spirit. A special congratulations to our Year 5 team of Sasanka, Reghan, Noah and Miya who came 3rd in the Year 5 competition and each received a book voucher.



These girls, along with Mrs Tait, visited Grant's Braes Kindergarten yesterday to spend some time reading and playing with the children there.

FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE

Father's Day is this **Sunday 4th September**, and the PTA are again running their "Father's Day Raffle".

As per previous years, this raffle is **all about the children** bringing along their money to buy the tickets - **50c each**.

Please have your children put the **correct money in an envelope and write their name, room name and how many tickets they wish to buy on the front and drop into "Milly the Mailbox" (opposite the office window!) by 9am, TOMORROW Friday (2nd Sept).**

To give all children the opportunity to win a prize for their Dads, we respectfully request that the maximum of 20 tickets (\$10.00) per child is adhered to. Numbers are then allocated by the PTA Representatives on a numerical basis.

The raffle will be drawn and prizes handed out to the children on Friday.



DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 3

Fri 2 Sept - Otago Cross Country
Fri 9 Sept - Otago Cross Country PP Date
Mon 12 Sept - BOT Meeting, 7pm
Mon 12 - Fri 16 Sept - Polyfest Week
Wed 21 Sept - BOT Elections - Voting
closes 4pm
Fri 23 Sept - Pizza Day and 'Own Clothes
Day'
Thurs 29 Sept - School Production
Fri 30 Sept - last day of Term 3

Mon 17th Oct - first day of Term 4
Thur 15th Dec - last day of school, 2022

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 three, the following policies are for whānau to review-

- * Student Wellbeing and Safety
- * Staff Wellbeing and Safety

SCHOLASTIC

ISSUE 6 - All orders are to be in at the office by **9am next Friday 9 September.**

Have a look through the flyer - there are some good books on offer at the low price of \$3.50!



If your child is interested in entering these, please get in touch with our Sports Co-Ordinator, Jen Stevenson (jennies@grantsbraes.school.nz) before the end of October.



Rotary Park Kindergarten
289 Highcliff Road, Waverley



SPACES ARE AVAILABLE NOW
8.30am - 12.30pm 5 mornings a week
With the option of extending to 2.30pm
Full Year Kindergarten

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/enrol

Phone us for more information 03-454-4238
or email rotarypark@dk.org.nz

Check out our Facebook page on
<https://www.facebook.com/rotaryparkkindergarten>

'THE STAR' NEWSPAPERS

Mrs Stevenson, in Room Kea, has asked if any families know of a local "Star" delivery person as she would like to be in contact to obtain any spare newspapers they may have each week (they are the perfect size for covering classroom tables).

Please email her - jennies@grantsbraes.school.nz if you can help.

love tennis
IT'S FREE FOR EVERYONE!

Check out what's on
at your local club &
other clubs near you



11 SEPT 2022 11AM-4PM

Open Days are
being held at
Andersons Bay,
Balmacewen,
Taieri and
Mornington/
Roslyn Tennis
Clubs on Sunday
11 September
from 11am - 4pm.

TAKE A KID FISHING

DUNEDIN, 17, 18, 24 AND 25 SEPTEMBER 2022

Otago Fish & Game Council



Let's go fishing

Otago Fish & Game's popular Take A Kid Fishing events are back this year. We are running four *free* sessions from 10am to noon at Southern Reservoir, Reservoir Road, Dunedin, on September 17, 18, 24 and 25, 2022.

You must register to attend. Go to the Otago Fish and Game Council Facebook page, or follow the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MC68SQF>



Due to popular demand, participants may register for one day only. Numbers will be limited to 120 children per event.

Spare fishing rods will be available along with experts to help kids get started. Parents or caregivers must be present to supervise children.

Thanks to our supporters at the Otago Community Trust and Oceana Gold.

spring
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
FUN FILLED EXCITING ACTIVITIES
| 3-14 OCTOBER |

BOOK TODAY & SAVE

PROGRAMMES TO SUIT ALL AGES
JUNIORS: 5-9 YEARS SENIORS: 10-14 YEARS

WEEK 1

JUNIOR	03 INFLATABLE WORLD TRIP DAY	04 CENTRE DAY SPRING THEMED	05 ANIMAL ARK TRIP DAY	06 CENTRE DAY MKC SPORT DAY	07 MOANA POOL TRIP DAY
SENIOR	03 LEAP TRIP DAY	04 AMAZING RACE TRIP DAY	05 TEN PIN BOWLING TRIP DAY	06 CENTRE DAY MKC SPORT DAY	07 MOANA POOL TRIP DAY

WEEK 2

JUNIOR	10 OROKONUI ECOSANCTUARY TRIP DAY	11 CENTRE DAY MKC COOKING	12 BOTANICAL GARDENS TRIP DAY	13 CENTRE DAY MKC CREATIVE	14 RIALTO MOVIES TRIP DAY
SENIOR	10 MINI GOLF TRIP DAY	11 CENTRE DAY MKC ART & CRAFT	12 TIMEZONE TRIP DAY	13 CENTRE DAY MOVIE DAY	14 ICE SKATING TRIP DAY

Centres Open: Silverstream School, Fairfield School, Green Island School, Bathgate Park School, Wakari School, Mornington School, Sacred Heart School (NEV), Tahuna Intermediate (Senior)

BOOK NOW: magickidsclub.airmyplus.com

BED-WETTING (NOCTURNAL ENURESIS) EFFECTS 1/4 OF CHILDREN



CHIROPRACTIC CARE HAS BEEN SHOWN TO REDUCED THE FREQUENCY OF BED-WETTING IN SOME KIDS BY 50%

1. ROBSON N ENGL. 2009;360(14):1429-1436. 2. REED ET AL. J MANIPULATIVE PHYSIOL THER. NOV-DEC 1994;17(9):596-600. 3. HAAVIK ET AL. BED WETTING. 2016

GIVE US A CALL AT (03) 425 7373 TO SEE HOW WE CAN HELP



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TennisPlus+ Coaching (based at the Edgar Centre) is running FREE 1/2 Court tennis coaching sessions to see if your child would like to enrol for term 4 2022 coaching which will be discounted by \$10 (\$74 instead of \$84 for 8 x 35-minute sessions during term 4).

There will also be a draw before term 4 starts to find who will get their entire term 1 coaching for FREE!

FREE COACHING ENROLMENT OPTIONS:

Please choose one day/time option **ONLY** for the Free Coaching!

Website Link: <https://linktr.ee/TennisPlus>

Email: tennisplusedunedin@outlook.com - Please include in your email your child's name, date of birth, school, cell phone and parent/caregiver name

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/tennisplusedunedin/> - Private message

Cell Phone: 0274366166 Send a text so we can text you the enrolment form link.



The BIG P.E.E.

PARENT.EMPOWERMENT.EXPERIENCE

Sunday, September 18



Body Confident
Kids - Emma
Wright



Adolescent Brains
- Dr Rob Thomson



Sleep
- Dr Silke Morrison



Online Safety
- Pete Bevin



Your Host
- Harriet Moir

Tickets - www.trybooking.co.nz
Events on Stafford, 8 Stafford Street, Dunedin
www.thebigpee.co.nz