Friday 13th November 2026 Term 4, Week 5

Duntroon School

The **BEST** we can be! • Ko te **PAI** e taea e tatou!

KIA ORA WHANAU

Well, the week started off with the very successful **'Country Day'** (Mrs Frear's fav day). I did have a wee laugh to myself while watching from my office as one mum (who will remain nameless) was struggling to get a calf to comply with walking through the gate at the same time another parent was managing to pick up their dog's gateway deposit! As the animals started rolling through the gate with tutus, hats and capes the day really sparked up.
I will predict that now everyone has seen it in motion, next year will be even bigger. We had a debrief after school with lots of chat about 2027 'Country Day'. We were very appreciative of our invited judges from our local community and of course our very interesting guest speaker John Aitken (aka our wonderful Caretaker) sharing his knowledge about bees. Country Day results will be in next weeks newsletter.












Skool Loop messages: A reminder to families to ensure you have the Skool Loop app and have been into 'settings' & 'subscribe to groups' and ensured you have ticked the relevant groups your children are part of. An example of this was when Micky's bus (Earthquakes Bus) was not running one morning. I sent it out only to the Earthquakes Bus run families group, not on the general message to everyone.

Ki o rahi tournament: A very successful day for 3 senior teams yesterday. Thank you to Becky, Kate and Emma for supporting Miss Tilbury with the teams on the day.

Hui Ako: We are extremely proud of our Kapa Haka group for their wonderful performance at the North Otago Hui Ako on Wednesday. They are a passionate and dedicated group of students who have worked extremely hard this year and can be incredibly proud of themselves. A big shout out to Miss McNeill and Emily for making this happen, along with hairdressers Gemma & Jenaya.

Sarah and Staff





Congratulations Georgina!

Georgina recently competed in the Southern Primary School Tennis Championships in Dunedin last Friday, where she achieved a fantastic result, placing 3rd in the Year 6 and under competition.

As a result of her performance, Georgina has qualified for the South Island Primary School Tennis Championships, where she will represent Duntroon School alongside the top eight qualifying players in the Year 6 and Under category.

The South Island Championships will be held in Timaru over two days (23rd & 24th November), providing Georgina with a fantastic opportunity to compete against some of the best junior tennis players from across the South Island.

We have attached a photo of Georgina proudly receiving her third-place medal.

Congratulations again to Georgina on this wonderful achievement! We wish her all the very best for the South Island Championships.



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Support our school fundraising effort and get yourself organised for Christmas gift giving with 'Kids Artwork'. There was such a positive response to the first round of ordering of calendars, mouse pads, notebooks and diaries with your child's artwork on it, that we have been able to extend the ordering period for another week. If you would like to put in another order or a new order please follow these simple instructions.

1/. Go to www.kidsartworks.com
2/. Use the Entrance Code: KZ2397
3/. Enter your child's room & name when prompted



DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 17th November	Otago Athletics
Thursday 19th/20th November	Year 3 - 4 Overnight Camp at School
Thursday 26th November	Year 5-6 Camp at Danseys
Friday 27th November	Scholastic Lucky Book Club due in toady.