



Duntroon School

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Term 3, Week 1, Friday 18th July 2025

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Welcome back to Term 3 - Kia ora, kamaste maligayang pagdating po

We have started the term off with a busy week and some chilly mornings. Today we have had a very full Friday with some varied opportunities for learning - Trapping group with Mrs Tait, ukulele in all classes with Mrs Hamilton (thank you to Emily for sharing her skills with our students), Netball match between the staff & yr 8 students (a battle of youth vs wisdom and sharp tactics!), School singing and House group activity with their House leaders and everything else in between!

Our focus this term with regards to the Cultural diversity theme is linked with music - each Friday the students will have music modules in mixed level groupings. At the end of the term we have House choirs and the Showcase event, which I am told is very much looked forward to and one you are all welcome to come along to.

Contact details

Sent home today, with the oldest/only student is a print out of your contact details so you can check this. Please write on the page anything you require to be updated and return to school. If there are no changes to be made then it does not need to be returned. It is very important we have all of our information checked and updated for BOT Elections later in September.

New Staff

We welcomed Anne Phillips-Vira to our staff this week. She is our new Teacher Aide. Anne comes with a wealth of teaching experience and also local knowledge. She is a past pupil of this school and is also part of many local Duntroon groups such as the Duntroon Digger and the Vanished World.

Upper Waitaki Cross Country

On Wednesday the oldest/only students received a notice regarding the **Cross Country Event** on Monday 28th July at Omarama. Please fill out and return to the class teacher by Monday 21st July.

Uniform and Appearance

As we start back into term 3 a reminder about our expectations of our students with their **presentation and pride in appearance**:

- Uniform clean and well presented
- Clean hair tied back off face for safety and hygiene reasons
- Nails and hands clean, no nail polish.
- No dangly earrings (small stud earrings only) or large bows in hair



Oceania Dairy Donation

During the holidays I spoke with Shane Lodge from **Oceania Dairy Limited**. They have very generously donated \$600 to our school. Perfect timing as our large container for our PE gear has come to the end of its time and we were able to replace it with the donation. Some extra sport equipment will also be purchased.

Ngā mihi nui

Sarah and staff

TERM REMINDERS: JULY

25 July—Netball Skills

28 July—Omarama Cross Country

29 July—1st August—Tech Week

AUGUST

5 Aug—Clued Up Kids (Yr 6)

7 Aug—BOT Meeting

11 Aug—NO Cross Country

15 Aug—Year 7/8 Ski Trip

28 Aug—School Photos

New Kids on the block!!!!



New students at Duntroon School
Two new families have started at Duntroon School this week. The students are Aubrey and Matthew Aranjuiz (rm. 2), Eden (rm. 1) and Makaia Savill (rm. 3) . It has been pleasing to see the welcome and friendship our students have shown them. They have told me they have enjoyed playing in the sand pit, playing volleyball, having all the sports to play and making new friends.

North Otago U13 Hockey



Congratulations to these students, who in the holidays represented North Otago playing at the U13 hockey festival in Dunedin.

Back row from Left: Sadie McLachlan, Ruby Tremewan, Oliver Hamilton, Travis Butcher, Leah Wilson, Alaina Tait.

Front row from Left: Jack Hamilton, Tyler Fleming, Mason Montgomery and Murdoch Wilson.

GIVE BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY ONE CALL-OUT AT A TIME.

DUNTROON VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE ARE RECRUITING NOW!



If you want to help out in your community and be part of a friendly bunch of volunteers look no further than the Duntroon Volunteer

Duntroon Volunteer Fire Brigade needs you!



For more info contact...

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Lou Tait—0272946084



WE ATTEND APPROXIMATELY **30** CALL-OUTS, EVERY YEAR. THIS INCLUDES;



STRUCTURE FIRES



VEGETATION FIRES



MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS



MEDICAL EMERGENCIES



HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

DUNTROON PLAYGROUP

THURSDAYS 10-12 PM | BEHIND DUNTROON SCHOOL

COME AND JOIN US!

AN INCLUSIVE SPACE FOR RURAL PARENTS TO HANG OUT WHILE THEIR CHILDREN PLAY.

BRING YOUR LITTLE ONE'S MORNING TEA, THE JUG IS ALWAYS BOILED FOR THE ADULTS.

JOIN OUR FACEBOOK GROUP- DUNTROON PLAYGROUP FOR MORE INFO



Adult Buddies Needed Now!

Providing positive support for a young person

We need Adult Buddies to support local children in the Oamaru/Waitaki area.

If you have 2 hours a week or fortnight, please consider volunteering as an Adult Buddy.

This is a very rewarding way to know you are making a difference! Contact us today!



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Plastic Free July Expo & Repair Cafe

Oamaru Community Recreation Centre

Saturday 12th July 2025 10am - 2pm



Sustainable, interactive & educational stalls

Recycle A Device | Fix one/Keep one - All day workshop, 9am - 3.30pm

→ Limited spots, register at info@resourcewaitaki.co.nz ←

Cheese Making - Live demo @11am-12pm (1 hour session)

→ 12 spots only available, register at info@resourcewaitaki.co.nz ←

Repair Café

Welding, Saddlery, Carpentry, Sewing, Lawn Mowers,
Wooden Toys, Jewelry, Lace & Embroidery, Draft-stoppers.

Sport Waitaki - Fun games for kids & families



GYMNASTICS

Pre-School and After school Gymnastics will be running in the gymnasium at Waitaki Valley School every Friday.

Pre-school 2.15pm - 3pm

After school 3.15pm - 4.15pm

My name is Kaz Hodge. I have a lot of experience working with children, and running gymnastics classes. I was a three times New Zealand champion, I also represented New Zealand overseas on numerous occasions.

If you want your children to learn new skills and have heaps of fun
phone Kaz 0273665818 to enroll.