



Duntroon School

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Newsletter
21-06-2024
Term 2, Week 8



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Principals News....

Buses

On Tuesday I sent out a notification regarding Livingstone Duntroon Road. The Waitaki District Council have sent an email outlining what is happening. As soon as I hear anything about the road re-opening, I will let parents know. I understand this is frustrating for everyone. It is out of our control. For the meantime the bus timings will remain the same.

Speeches

Our annual speech finals went very well on Monday. The results are attached to this newsletter. I want to commend not only our finalists, but all our Duntroon Students for their efforts with presenting their speeches in front of their class. Speaking in front of large groups is not something that many people find easy. Well done for your bravery and giving it a go.

Mrs Frear

Mrs Frear will be on leave from Friday June 21st until Tuesday July 2nd . Miss Milmine will be teaching in Room 2 during this time. If you need to communicate with Miss Milmine during this time, any communication can be directed to the school email address office@duntroon.school.nz.

Term Treat

Term treat is organised for the last week of term. All those students who have displayed expected behaviours will be able to take part in the term treat this term.

Matariki

Next Friday June 28th is Matariki. There is no school on this day. The school newsletter will come out on Thursday June 27th .

Winter Sports Day

On Thursday July 4th we will be having our senior sports and activities day with Waitaki Valley School.

This is a day for the year 4-8 students to get together and try out some different sports or activities. This year we have Rippa Rugby, Soccer, Basketball, Netball, Kiorahi, and a sports quiz. The 3 schools come to Duntroon for this event. We are looking forward to hosting this.

Nga Mihi Nui

Mike and Staff

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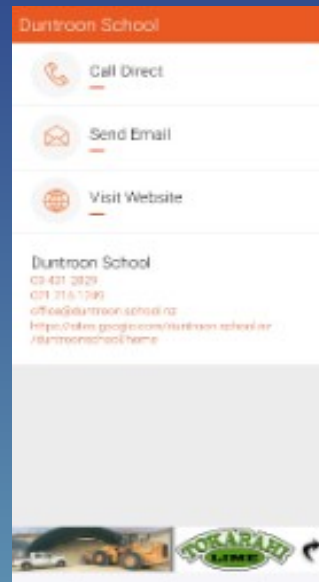
Communication with school

I think it's timely to tidy up how parents communicate with the school office.

If you have the need to communicate with the school about things such as after school arrangements, (including early pick-ups) sporting arrangements etc. Please read the options below.

In the first instance we would prefer one of the following:

- A written note. This is particularly useful as it can be given directly to your child's teacher and the teacher in charge of their bus.
- An email. We can simply print the email off and give this to your child's teacher or the teacher in charge of their bus.
- Skool loop communication. In Skool Loop you can choose the contacts option and send an email straight to our office email.



Texting

Texting the office phone may be the most convenient for parents but should be used as a last resort please. We are finding that the mobile phone is simply becoming overloaded with messages from parents that we in turn have to record/relay on in the form of a physical note.

Standing arrangements

We'd like to know in advance if there is a standing arrangement for your child regarding their transport. Once we have this standing arrangement, it will be recorded, and we can adhere to this. If there is a change to the standing arrangement, you can notify us via one of our preferred options. As we know, changes occur.

Lastly and one of the most important points – **DON'T** just tell your child of changes/plans/early pick ups etc. It is vital that the school is told, by a parent, every time. We appreciate your support with this moving forward.

Thank you. Mike and Staff.

Duntroon Speech Finals Results

Poem Recital – year 1-2

1st place: Fletcher Hamilton

2nd place: Connor McCulloch

3rd place: Steven Pangan

Book Reading – year 3-4

1st place: Jaxson Benbow

2nd place: Lexis Calbone

3rd place: Cooper Hamilton

'In my experience' – year 5-6

1st place: Alaina Tait

2nd place: Mason Montgomery

3rd place: Sadie McLachlan

'I am convinced' – year 7-8

1st place: Lily-Grace Bayne

2nd place: Hazel Wills

3rd place: Leah Wilson



Waitaki Rural School Speech finals

Our four speech finalists competed at the Waitaki Rural schools speech finals last night at Waitaki Girls high school. You all spoke very well and represented our school so well.

Tu Meke. Doing us proud!



Congratulations to Fletcher Hamilton gaining Highly Commended on the Year 1/2 Poem Reading group.

Massive congratulations to Lilly-Grace Bayne who took out the win in the year 7/8 "In my experience" group.

Amazing!





Uniform Reminder

Winter is well and truly here. With that in mind, please remember to make sure your kids are dressed warmly for these colder days.

Children are allowed to wear navy track pants, or the girls can wear navy tights under skorts as a warmer option.

Jackets, woolly hats and gloves can be worn to and from school, and also during break times.

As well as our polar fleece jersey's, there are also merino jersey's available to purchase from the school office.

For Sale

TRAMPOLINE, 14ft.

Good, used condition. \$150.

Please phone Janette 027 424 1989

Ruma Wha News

Welcome to Ruma Wha in Week 8 of Term 2. We have continued to learn so much each day with our very busy activities. Mrs Simpson is so proud of how much we have learnt in Term 2.

Wow, you should see the way these children have taken off with their learning. Their letter sound knowledge has developed so much and now they are segmenting and blending words independently and showing this so well in their reading at different levels. They can be so proud of themselves. We were very sad to say "Good Bye" to Ruby who has moved to Five Forks School. We know she will continue to thrive with all her learning.

We have 4 amazing new children now visiting twice a week. They all start between August and early October. We are enjoying Billie, Greta, Hugh and Jack visiting. They are already slotting easily into the programme and fun activities. We love having them with us.



We have a new Foam Alphabet puzzle and the pieces are quite big. We have been enjoying all having turns to find each letter and put them in order.

We have also been using them to make CVC words (this means a word consisting of a consonant, a vowel and a consonant) – like: hat, cat, nut, get, sit, cot. The children are just amazing at this and all the reading groups are now able to read books using this process. They are all so proud of themselves and their achievements.

Room 4

MJ, Emileigh, Pun, Ashton, Grace, Jayden, Georgie, Logan T, Logan D, Ioan, Jordan, Riley, Connor, Marnie, Aleigha, Michael and Rivah.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE

28th June—Matariki—School Closed

JULY

3rd July—Term Treat

4th July—Winter sports day

5th July—Last day of term two

22nd July—First day of term three

AUGUST

1st August—BOT meeting

5th August—Cross country—Omarama

August 6th-9th—Tech Week

August 7th—Clued up Kids

August 19th—North Otago Cross Country

August 29/30th—Year 7/8 Ski Trip

SEPTEMBER

September 5th—School Photos

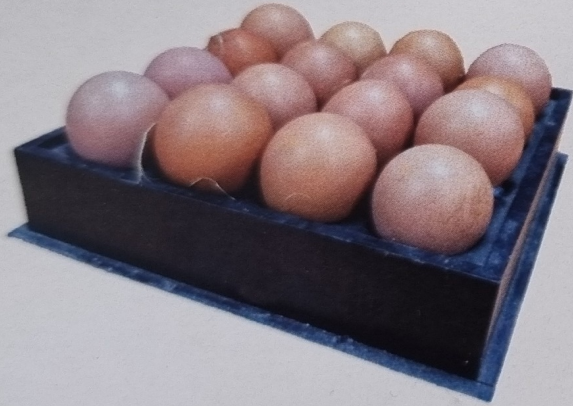
September 6th—Otago Cross Country

September 12th—BOT meeting

September 13th—Year 8 Day

FRESH EGGS

\$8 per doz



Ph Julie

021 167 6457

Also orders taken for
Pure Bred Chicks -
Aracana, Orpington,
Silver Spangle Hamburg

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



School Holiday Pest Control Workshop

for primary school aged children

- Interactive workshop for children
- Main focus will be on small pests, why they are an issue in NZ, and how to spot their sign and trap them
- Children are encouraged to get outside in the weekend prior to the event, and find the biggest rabbit, hare or possum – bring it along before the start of the workshop for a 'weigh-in'.

When

Monday July 8th

Animal weighing 1-1.30pm,
Workshop running 1.30-3.30pm.

RSVP

email. info@hakataramesc.co.nz

Location

Workshop to be held at the **Community Native Nursery, Waitaki Valley School.**
(If wet we will be relocated to the school gym)

Guest speaker

Department of Conservation will cover:

- Learning more about trapping mammalian predators, different types of lures available.
- There will be displays and information on most of the traps available on the market and demonstrations on how to safely use them.
- Biosecurity
- Learn about different trapping groups in the community and get connected.
- An introduction to TrapNZ.



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WESTON SCHOOL CAMP
FUNDRAISER YEARS 5-8

Bazaar

Free
Entry

QUALITY SECOND HAND ITEMS

VARIOUS HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

CLOTHING TOYS BRIC-A-BRAC

BOOKS TOYS HOUSEHOLD PLANTS

EVERYONE WELCOME

Friday
21st June
8.00 am - 1.30 pm &
2.30 pm - 4 pm

WESTON HALL

20 Main Street, Weston 9401





**WGHS
NETBALL**

email
lhueppauffewaitkigirlshigh.school.nz
with any questions

DATES: 9-10:30am

1st June

22nd June

6th July

Location: Waitaki

Community rec centre

SKILLS SESSIONS

**WGHS are holding netball skills
sessions for Primary School
children Years 1-8.**

**Run by our Year 9, Year 10
and Senior tournament
teams**

**Register via the google
form**

Active Kids Waitaki Holiday Programme

July 2024

Waitaki Community
Recreation Centre

Monday -Thurs
8-11 July; 9.30am – 12.30pm

Primary & Intermediate-
aged children



WAITAKI COMMUNITY
**RECREATION
CENTRE**

**\$10 per child per day or \$36 per
child for the 4 mornings**

**Regos open now. Places are
limited to 40 children per day.**

To register, go to

www.sporty.co.nz/waitakirc

For more info contact the Rec
Centre 4346932 / 021 08150688

Registrations open now www.sporty.co.nz/waitakirc

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
9.30am – 12.30pm
Different activities each day!

WAITAKI COMMUNITY **RECREATION CENTRE**

Let's get moving!



CARDIO

STRENGTH

INDOOR

OUTDOOR

**Join our 10 week
circuit challenge**

Mon/Wed/Fri

9am - 10am

School term time

- Casuals welcome
- Affordable
- Crèche