



Duntroon School

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

KIA ORA WHANAU

Welcome back to Term 4.

The extremes of Spring time weather have shown themselves, from balmy sunny days to a temperature drop with heavy rain. All the challenges you folk contend with in your everyday life on the farms.

We have a very busy term ahead with some exciting learning opportunities.

Next week the Year 7 & 8's are heading off to Wainui Camp over Akaroa way. It's a stunning Camp fully equipped for School Camping opportunities ranging from High ropes to Coasteering along with Search & Rescue scenarios, problem solving group activities and a lot more. We get the use of qualified instructors along with our wonderful parents who have put their hand up for a week of fun with the kids. Miss Tilbury has put in many hours to ensure this will be one of those wonderful camp experiences which will be a valued school memory. The growth the kids get from these EOTC experiences is immense and one we value at Duntroon School.

I am lucky enough to be part of the team heading to Camp so Mrs Frear is Acting Principal for the week. The School will be in good hands.

This week our seniors are at Technology and have enjoyed OIS hospitality and the opportunity to extend their learning.

I extend a very big 'Thank you' to two wonderful parents, Grant Duff and Brendan Nicholson who have spent time and thought repairing our school pool cover. I am always so grateful for the time people readily give to our school to ensure the school can operate well.

Our caretaker John Aitken is in pool preparation mode getting it cleaned up and ready for filling. A reminder that if you do have a pool key to return, lurking on your key chain, please pop into the Office to do so. Janette will share a message soon as to when you can purchase a pool key for the coming season.

Next Monday Miss Milmine and Miss McNeill are hosting the Junior Athletics here at Duntroon. They have invited Omarama and Waitaki Valley School to join us. The weather forecast looks spot on, so bring your lunch along and come and watch the kids at all their fun Athletic activities.

Looking ahead ... Mrs Frear is busy planning for our 'Country Day.' She will have more information next week in the newsletter but please circle 9th November on your calendar to come along to school and see the pets, sand saucers, and many more activities (Duntroon's own A&P show).

Next week we have a 2nd Year teacher in training starting her 4 week posting with us. Sophie Notman has been trained at Otago University and is looking forward to spending her time with room 2. Hosting a trainee teacher is always such a positive experience for a school and the students. She will fit in perfectly with our school culture.

It was wonderful to see all the students arriving back this week and we were also excited to welcome back into our 'Duntroon family'- Lexis. Room 2 has been very welcoming and pleased for his return. At the end of term 3 Miss Milmine and I visited the Kurow pre-school where we met their teachers and many wee ones that will be attending Duntroon School in the future. We have also recently had new families who have pre-enrolled their children for next year. It is exciting times for our school. If you know of families that have shifted into the area with wee ones who will be coming our way in the next couple of years, please encourage them to pop into school and make themselves known to us and we can pre-enroll them.

Looking forward to a sunny weekend and pristine weather for our Camp.

Ngā mihi nui
Sarah & Staff





Miss Milmine and Mrs Caldwell managed to source a shelf full of beautiful wooden construction blocks. Room 5 are having a fabulous time creating buildings, and a giant block toppling circuit around the room.



ALL ABOUT ME



Amirah

I am 5 years old

My Favorite Food
Chicken!



My Favorite Color



Pink and Purple

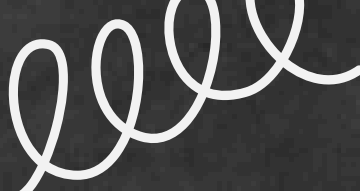


I love playing in the school
playground
with all of my friends.
I love my mum and dad.

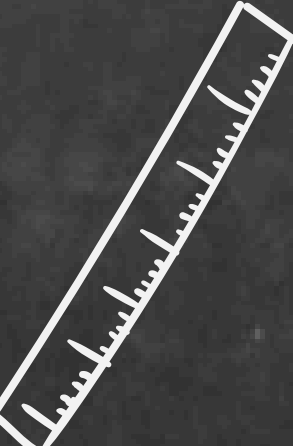
Hobbies

I love playing with my
toys. Especially
my plushies and
squishies.





DATES TO REMEMBER



Monday 19 th October - Friday 23 rd October	Year 7/8 Wainui Camp
Monday 19 th October	Junior Athletics Day (Duntroon)
Monday 26 th October	Labour Day (SCHOOL CLOSED)
Tuesday 27 th October	Senior Athletics Day (Twizel)
Friday 30 th October	World Teachers Day
Monday 9 th November	COUNTRY DAY!



PLAY IN THE PARK

Monday, October 19 | 3.30pm-5pm
Casa Nova Playground, Fleet Street, Ōamaru

**A fun afternoon of games,
movement and play.**

Gaga Ball • Volleyball • Cornhole
• Play equipment
• Other games and activities



AOTEAROA

PLAYWEEK

TĀKARO MAI!



19-25 OCTOBER 2026

BACKYARD CRICKET SMASH!

Wednesday, October 21 | 4pm-6pm
Centennial Park Outer Oval 6 & 7, Ōamaru

*Come along for a fun afternoon of
backyard cricket and play! A social
event to give cricket a go.*

FREE | ALL WELCOME



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BIKET•BER

Whānau Wheels & Play

Thursday, October 22 | 3pm
Ōamaru Bike Skills Park

**A fun afternoon for the whole
whānau as part of Play Week!**

**Come along, enjoy the play equipment,
get on your bike and have a go around
the Ōamaru Bike Skills Park!**



KUROW CRICKET CLUB

2026 Term 4 Cricket Season

Games starting Friday nights in term 4 at 4.30pm.

There are 3 grades this season; Smash cricket, Intermediate B and Intermediate A.

Duntroon is our home ground and games are played in Oamaru, Weston and Duntroon. Practice will be on Wednesdays, location TBC with your coach.

For more information please follow the Facebook page @Kurowcricketclub

or contact Ben Nowell 0272266619

To register

<https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/4fafa1>

SNAZZY

NEW UNIFORMS
THIS YEAR!
SHIRTS & PANTS
to be revealed
Soon!



Kurow Cricket Club



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

2026

FOOTBALL
WAITAKI



All new, interested or past
members welcome



DATE

19th November 2026



TIME

7pm



LOCATION

Oamaru Veterinary Services

www.sporty.co.nz/footballwaitaki



waitakifootball@gmail.com



SCOTTS OWN SEA SCOUTS AMAZING RACE COMMUNITY EVENT



GET YOUR TEAM TOGETHER! SAT 26TH SEPT

4-5 CONTESTANTS PER TEAM

MUST INCLUDE A DRIVER

\$10 PER PERSON

REGO WITH THE QR CODE BELOW.

9.30AM MEET AT NORTH STAR CARPARK

10AM START



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SEA SCOUTS IN TERM 4?



LET'S GO
ADVENTURE

Join our adventure
programme for all youth
aged 5 to 18! Find us on
[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/scouts.nz) or scouts.nz
for more info

Keas age 5 to 7.
Wednesday 430 - 530pm

Cubs age 8 to 10
Tuesday 6 - 730pm

Scouts age 11 to 14
Monday 630 - 830pm

Venturers age 15 to 18
please enquire