



Duntroon School

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Newsletter
13-09-2024
Term 3, Week 8

Principals News....

Kia Ora Koutou Whanau

Progress Interviews

On Skool Loop you will find the option to book your progress interviews. Choose the 'bookings' option. Then go through the prompts to choose the teacher and time you would prefer. You will then receive an email confirmation to tell you what your time is. Check your spam and junk folders for this email if you don't receive it. Please make ONE booking per child.

School Closes at 2:15pm on Wednesday September 18th and Wednesday September 25th . Buses will run at this time.

Showcase

Keep in mind the showcase is Thursday September 26th at 1pm. We have a few different acts this year. The students are also busy practising their house songs for the house choir challenge. This is a nice way to end the term. Come along.

Term Treat

Term treat is approaching. This will be on the last week of term. All students who have displayed consistent behaviour throughout the term will get to take part in the treat. We will keep you posted on this. In the meantime, we encourage students to display the Duntroon values.

Teacher Only Day

A reminder that Friday September 27th is a teacher only day. School will be closed on this day. This is the last Friday of term. Our staff are heading off to the Teaching and Learning Conference in Oamaru for two days.

Camps

In term 4 we run two camps. The first camp is Year 6-8 students which is the 21st to the 25th of October. This year they are headed to Boyle River in the Lewis Pass. Information about this has gone home. Please get it back as soon as possible to assist with planning for this.

Our second camp is the 'overnighter' for the year 4-5 students. This is scheduled for the 28th and 29th of November. This year they are going over to Gunn's Bush near Waimate. They have some exciting outdoor activities planned for this. Information about this will come home at the beginning of term 4.

Have a great weekend.

Nga Mihi Nui

Mike and staff



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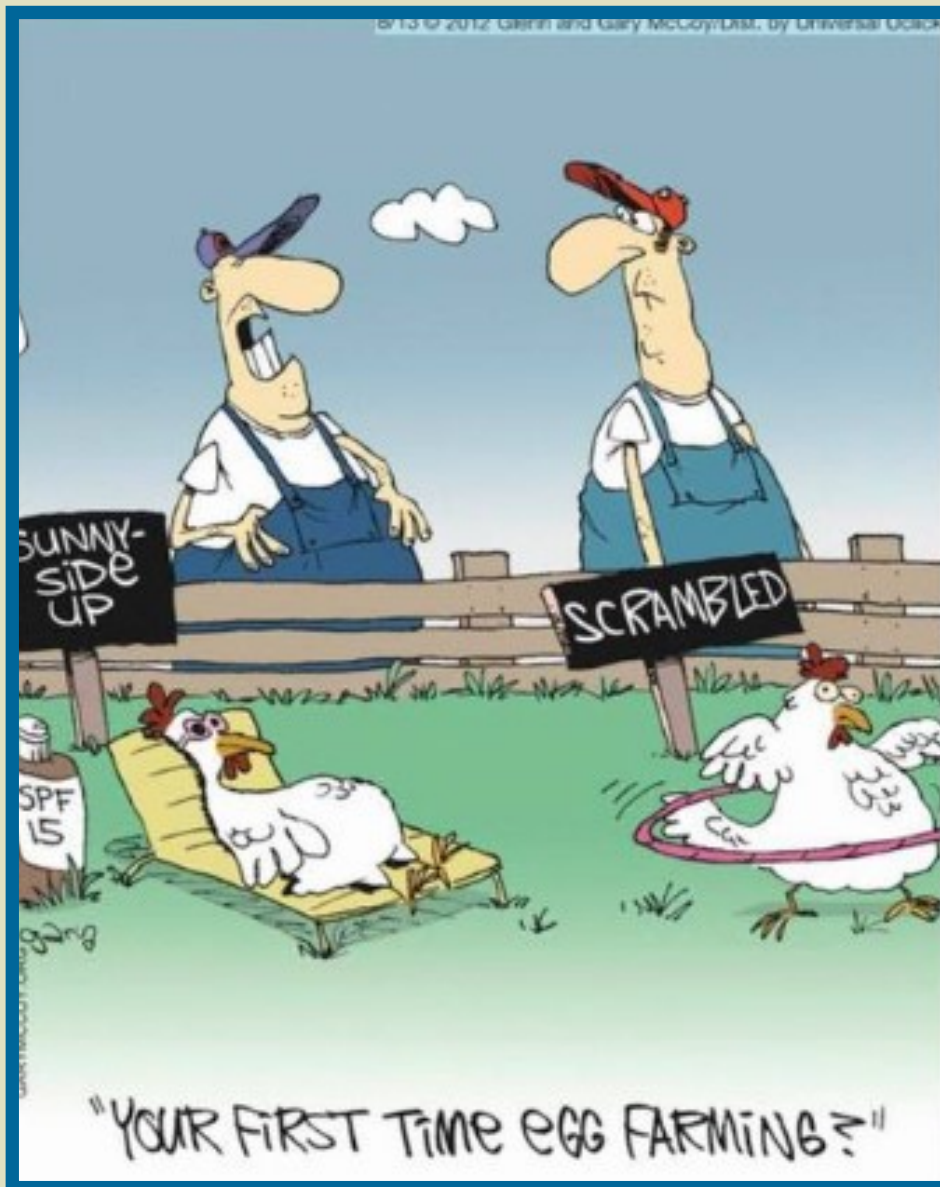
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CONGRATULATIONS!

Huge Congratulations to Ruby Tremewan and Oliver Hamilton.

They ran extremely well with tough competition in the Otago Cross Country competition last Friday 6th September in Dunedin.

Ruby came 22nd out of 71, in the year 7 girls and Oliver came 17th out of 75, in the year 7 boys.

YOU DID US PROUD!

Progress Interviews

Term 3

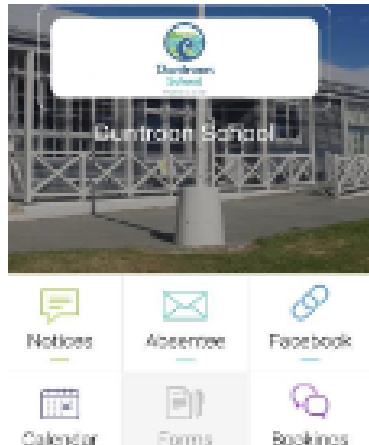
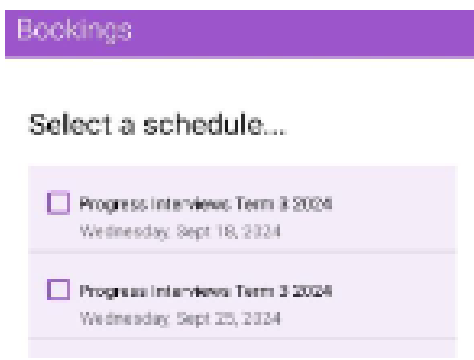
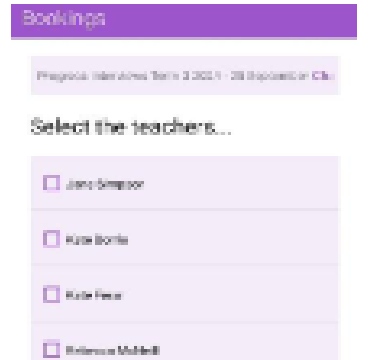
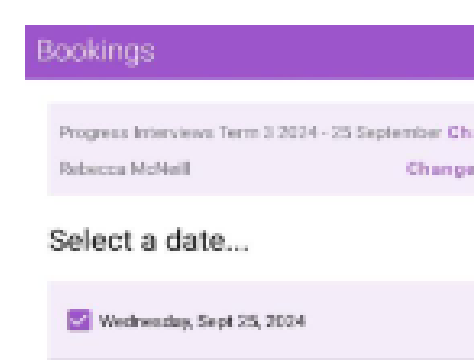
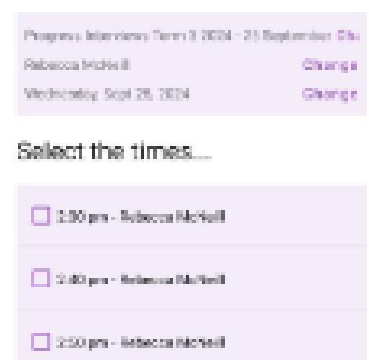


Dear Parents

We have changed the way you book interviews for your child. This is now done on the Skool Loop App. This option will be live from 3pm Friday September 6th.

The interviews for term 3 are being held on September 18th and 25th.

Follow these instructions to book your interview:

<p>Step 1 – Open the app and choose bookings.</p> 	<p>Step 2 – Choose the date you want for the interview</p> 
<p>Step 3 – Choose the teacher</p> 	<p>Step 4 – Confirm the date</p> 
<p>Step 5 – Choose a time</p> 	<p>You will receive an automated email to confirm your time.</p> <p>You must follow this process for each of your children.</p> <p>Any queries, please contact your child's classroom teacher.</p>



Policy Reviews Term 3 2024

Please copy and paste the following link into your browser to access the reviews and follow the instructions on the School Docs website.

<https://duntroon.schooldocs.co.nz>

your username is – duntroon

your password is - 9494

Click on the Current Review Tab – *Shown here*



Our policy reviews for this term are on:

Concerns and complaints, Media, Performance Management, Professional Development, Disclosures, Staff conduct, Staff leave

Currently under review

We are reviewing this policy for its content and how well the school implements it. To share your comments and rate its implementation, click the "Start your review" button. This policy's subtopics are also under review.

[About the review process](#)

[Start your review](#)

After choosing the review topic you can click start your review: *Shown here*

Please complete by Friday September 20th 2024

Thank you. Your feedback is appreciated.

Ruma Wha News

Welcome to Ruma Wha. It is hard to believe we are so near the end of Term 3. Week 8 has crept up very quickly. Our classroom continues to be very busy. The children can be extremely proud of their achievements.

Greta, Hugh and Billie have now settled into Room 4 and they are working so well. Jack is also visiting once a week even though he does not start full time until next Term. He has 2 more weeks and he will be permanently at school at the beginning of Term 3. We have had one of the Waitaki Valley Preschool teachers visiting Room 4 when Jack has been visiting. This has been great to develop a wonderful and positive relationship for the new students and for the Pre-School to see how well our children slot into our wonderful school. Thank you Jess for joining Room 4 for these visits. We welcome Jack permanently at the beginning of Term 4.

We have started working on our writing process in the afternoon. We have based our writing on winter with the children providing some amazing vocabulary to choose the words they each want to use when building a sentence. The older students have worked independently attempting new words and showing their segmenting and blending skills with their attempts. They have completed a great job and now are nearly ready to learn about editing.



Rooms 3 and 4 students had a wonderful opportunity to be involved in the art work for the book Mary Duff has been writing about the Valley of the Whales. The photos below show Mary sharing her book with the children and then being shown techniques to use water colours effectively. In the afternoon Room 4 spent the time learning how to use the watercolours. These will be incorporated along with all the Duntroon School students art works in the book Mary is writing.

Room 4

Emileigh, Ashton, Grace, Lainey, Jayden, Georgie, Logan D, Logan T, Ioan, Jordan, Riley, Connor, Marnie, Aleigha, Michael, Rivah, Hugh, Greta, Billie and Jack.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER

18th September—Progress Interviews

19th September—BOT Meeting

25th September—Progress Interviews

26th September—Showcase (family welcome)

26th September—Last day of Term Three.

27th September—Teacher Only Day, School Closed

27th/28th—North Otago Teachers Conference

OCTOBER

14th October—Term 2 Starts

21st-25th October—Yr 6-8 Camp, Boyle River

28th October—Labour Day, School Closed

29th October—Teacher Only Day, School Closed

31st October—Cricket Festival, Kurow

31st October—BOT meeting



Omarama Emergency Services Expo

21 September 2024
10am - 2pm
Omarama Fire Station

Experience live displays from the Police dogs and Armed Offenders Squad (AOS), real fire, and a car cutting demonstration. PLUS enjoy a free sausage sizzle!



**PRE
SEASON
TRAINING**
Y6 to Y8
GIRLS/BOYS



**CRICKET
NORTH OTAGO**

Enquiries to
gm@northotagocricket.co.nz

Sunday 8, 15th & 22nd September
2:00pm to 3:30pm
Meet SKC Nets/Turf

For players who want to play in the Development and Yr8 cricket festival games and on Saturdays in the Youth Blast high school grade.



Understanding Your Brain – Building Resilience & Maximising Learning

Waitaki Boys' High School - Oamaru
Thursday 17th October 2024, 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Tickets at www.eventfinda.co.nz
(Search Nathan Wallis)



www.nathanwallis.com



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JUNIOR TOUCH TRIALS 2024

- Saturday, 21 September, Awamoa Park
- Saturday, 05 October, Awamoa Park

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Below is the link for more information and to register for the Junior Touch Trials:

<https://forms.gle/XWRtaPz5KfQZh4QL7>

Active Kids Waitaki Holiday Programme October 2024

Waitaki Community
Recreation Centre

Monday -Fri
7-11 October; 9.30am – 12.30pm

Primary & Intermediate-
aged children



WAITAKI COMMUNITY
**RECREATION
CENTRE**

\$10 per child per day or \$45 per child for the 5 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,
Friday: 9.30am – 12.30pm
Different activities each day!

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



FAST & FURIOUS

Friday 20th September 2024

Warm up 5.30pm Start 6.00pm

Waitaki Aquatic Centre

Fill in an entry form with your name and swimming/squad level or age beside the events you would like to enter.

Return forms to Aquatic Centre Reception
by Wednesday 18th September 2023

or email oamaruswim@gmail.com





Fast and Furious Entry Form – Friday 20th September 2024



Write your name and level beside the events you would like to do - DO NOT ENTER YOUR TIME then hand into the pool reception by Wednesday 18th September or email to oamaruswim@gmail.com

100 IM	Name Squad/Level	Time:	100m Backstroke	Name Squad/Level	Time:
25m Freestyle	Name Squad/Level	Time:	25m Butterfly	Name Squad/Level	Time:
50m Backstroke	Name Squad/Level	Time:	200m Freestyle	Name Squad/Level	Time:
200m Breaststroke	Name Squad/Level	Time:	100m Butterfly	Name Squad/Level	Time:
50m Breaststroke	Name Squad/Level	Time:	RELAY	Name Squad/Level	Time:

Date of Birth of your child: _____ Your email address for results: _____