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Dear Parents/Caregivers



Term One has flown by, even though it has been an action-packed eleven week term. Everyone is ready for a well-deserved Easter holiday break. I hope that families enjoy restful, happy times together.

HELP FOR THE MULDER FAMILY

Over the past 18 months Geoff Mulder, one of our Dads, has been undergoing chemo treatment. The Mulder family is trying to fund new medical treatment for Geoff, which is putting them under considerable financial pressure. As a school community, we would like to help in any way we can.

If you would like to donate petrol vouchers, grocery vouchers, or any form of financial assistance, please drop into the 'Mulder Family' box in the office.

ANZAC SERVICE

As ANZAC Day falls during the holidays, we are holding our annual ANZAC Service this Wednesday 12 April at 1.45pm outside the Owhiro Centre. Parents, grandparents and friends are welcome to join us.

Student Council members will be taking poppies around classes from tomorrow. Gold coin donation.

JUNIOR PLAYGROUND

With the completion of the Junior playground, there are several people who need a HUGE THANK YOU for their generosity:

- Chris Gough – Mosgiel Mini Digger Hire, donated the use of a mini digger
- Allied Concrete donated the concrete
- Goldpine donated the timber posts
- Hirepool Ltd gave us the Post Hole Borer at a reduced rate
- The biggest thank you goes to Dallas Shaw who donated 52 hours of labour – himself and his workers (including working on Otago Anniversary Day)



TEACHER ONLY DAY – MONDAY 22 MAY

! The Board of Trustees has approved a Teacher Only Day to be taken on Monday 22 May to enable teaching staff to visit schools in Christchurch that have been successfully using a collaborative approach to teaching for a number of years. **School will be closed on this day.**

HOME & SCHOOL BBQ LUNCH - This Thursday 13th April

Please make sure orders are in by **Tuesday 3pm**, for ordering purposes.
Spare order forms available from the office.

ALSO HELPERS NEEDED

We are desperate for about 4 or 5 more helpers for this to go ahead -
Needed from about 11am.
Please contact Tracy 0274152758 or 4895388 if you can help.

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EAST TAIERI VALUES

To align with our new vision we believe we need to review our current school values. We would appreciate your input to develop a new set of values for our school. Could you please take the time to write your ideas around the children below and return it to the office.

Values are:

Values are deeply held beliefs about what is important or desirable. They are expressed through the ways in which people think and act.

- 1. What is important and desirable in our school?**
- 2. How should our students be thinking and acting?**
- 3. What is to be encouraged, modelled, explored?**

HEAD LICE

It is time to check your child's hair for these wee pestie things.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Thank you to parents who have paid their school account – keep them rolling in! A receipt of payment will be sent home. If you are wanting to claim the donation portion from Inland Revenue, please make sure you keep this receipt.

Term 1 Dates	
APRIL	
13	Last Day of Term 1
Term 2	1 May – 7 July
1 May	Start of Term 2
5 May	Tirohanga Day
22 May	SCHOOL CLOSED
Term 3	24 July – 29 September
Term 4	16 October – 15 December

JUNIOR KAPA HAKA

A group of enthusiastic junior children have formed a Kapa Haka group taken by Rachel Ovens and Bronwyn Holgate. They have made a fabulous start!



WANTED

Wanted scraps of material – different textures and colours. Please drop off to the office.

ICAS COMPETITIONS

The ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) tests are coming around again! They are annual assessments which are taken in over 20 countries. Below is the timetable with dates and costs for these tests.

If you are interested in your child entering, could you please fill in the tests your child will be participating in and return this note, with payment, to me at school no later than **THURSDAY the 13th of APRIL**. Kiwiana children will be encouraged to take these tests in their area(s) of strength. Please note – Year 3 children now have an English and maths assessment and there is a Spelling Bee test for Year 2 children

NAME:

Year:

Class:

<u>Computer skills</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>Writing</u>	<u>Spelling</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
24 May	1 June	12-16 June	18 June	22 August	17 August
\$9.50	\$9.50	\$20.50	\$11.50	\$9.50	\$9.50

If you have any further questions you can contact me at school or e-mail me at: natalie@east-taieri.school.nz.

BIBLE IN SCHOOLS

Bible in Schools will be starting in Term 2 for the Senior school only. The weekly 30 minute sessions support our school Values. If you would like to see an overview of the programme please contact Jo Hackfath at school.

Teachers are:

Room 1 - Raelene Stephenson

Room 2 - Chris Nicholls and Heather Moore

Room 3 - Regan Roff

Room 4 - Justine Grieve

If you do not wish your child to participate, please contact the office.

Kiwiana Trip to the Aquarium

After the long drive to Portobello aquarium we go inside and look at some of the fish. Then Shelly, who works at the aquarium, tells us how to work out how many animals there are in a square metre, by using squares that have been divided into four quarters. Then we get into groups of four and take a lift down to the sea shore. Once we are all on the rocky shore, we go and explore. We find many sea creatures like starfish and I was the first person to find a rare paddle crab. Afterwards, we take the lift back up to the building. We are allowed to touch the animals in the touch tanks. We go inside, Shelly tells us about seahorses and pipefish. Then we have a look at the fish inside the building. There are a few really cool creatures like a banded carpet shark. After that we learn about kelp and make a bag out of it!

Unfortunately, we ran out of time and left to eat lunch at the dinosaur park. We didn't spend much time there because we needed to get back to school. So after lunch and a quick play, it's back in the car. We all had a great day.

Thank you Ms King for organising this awesome trip!

By Ewan Beadell



NEIGHBOURS DAY

East Taieri School was used as a venue for the recent Neighbours' Day which was a day of fun for all who attended.



OTAGO PRIMARY SCHOOLS' **TRIATHLON**

Huge CONGRATULATIONS to ALL of our triathletes who qualified and then competed in Cromwell at the Otago Triathlon Championships last Thursday. Thankfully the rain moved away and we had a great day of racing. All the children gave a 100% effort, competed extremely competitively and left everything



out on the course. Well done to Rosie Falcous 2nd in the Individual Girls' and Georgia McHutcheon 4th in the Individual Girls'. Also to our Year 6 Boys' Team the "Thunder Duckies" who WON their race, 1st place a huge effort. Our other results are still to be confirmed but Lewis Divers had an excellent race in the individual boys race and Emma Timney, Phoebe McEwan and Pippa Earl raced really well in the girls' teams' event. I was so proud of all the children, the effort they put in and their behaviour all day was outstanding.

Many, many thanks to Phillipa Wilson who put her hand up to be our marshal for the day and spent all morning at the pool helping out, thank you. Also to our other parents who gave up their time to take children through to Cromwell and support them. Janelle Earl, Mark Falcous, Hayley McHutcheon, Carla Joint, Justine Cunningham.

DUNEDIN PRIMARY **SCHOOLS' TOUCH** **COMPETITION**

CONGRATULATIONS to Georgia McHutcheon, Charlotte Va'afusuaga and their Taieri team mates who won the Year 5/6 Girls' competition in the Dunedin Primary



Schools' Touch Competition for this term. They played the final in terrible, cold, wet and miserable conditions and still came out on top. A great season girls - well done. Many thanks to Rhonda Va'afusuaga and Hayley McCutcheon for helping to coach and organise the girls' team each week too.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jack Lambert who was the ball runner at the Highlanders v Blues game on Saturday. Also to Angus Crosby-Kaye who was the “Hynds” tee boy.
What a great game to be involved in!

BASKETBALL OTAGO HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Sessions led by Basketball Otago development officer Natalie Visger and local coaches. A focus on skill development, competition, and fun!

Date: Tuesday 18 April – Friday 21 April

Cost: \$100 per child, 2 children - \$150, 3 children - \$200

Year 1 – 8, 9.00am – 12.00pm and Year 9 – 13, 12.00pm - 2.00pm

For further information contact development@basketballotago.co.nz

ST CLAIR GOLF CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Would your child/children be interested in playing a game that provides skills for life?

Then why not send them along to give it a try? Plenty of fun guaranteed to be had!

Expert tuition from St. Clair Golf Club’s professional will be sure to send your kids home with a grounding for the great game of golf!

Dates: Tuesday 18 – Wednesday 19 April, 9.00am – 12.00pm; Thursday 20 – Friday 21 April, 9.00am – 12.00pm; Thursday 27 – Friday 28 April, 9.00am – 12.00pm.

Cost: \$60.00 per child

For further information contact pro@stclairgolf.co.nz or (03)487 -7076



**Sign up's open for
Otago Cricket
April School Holiday
Programme**

THURSDAY 27 & FRIDAY 28
YEAR 2-6: 9AM-12PM
YEAR 7-8: 1PM-4PM
EDGAR CENTRE
\$60
REGISTER AT : WWW.OTAGOCRICKET.CO.NZ

HOLIDAY GOLF

Junior Coaching

With Melanie Harper

At Taieri Lakes Golf Course

April 24,26,27,28 (Mon,Wed,Thurs,Fri)

1 to 3.15pm each day

Suitable for ages 6 to 12 yrs

Cost \$20/day

Equipment supplied

Register by email:

melanieharper@xtra.co.nz

Payment to be made on the day, prior to coaching.

Classes cancelled if the weather isn't suitable.

Please provide a phone contact number and specify which days you are interested in.

PARENTING COURSES AND PARENTING SUPPORT

Starting Soon

The Parenting Place TOOLBOX Parenting Courses

Day & Evening courses

Plus Seasons for Growth

Register now for Term 2 2017

Early years (0-6 years)

Middle years (6-12 years)

Tweens & Teens (12+ years)

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Game on (for Dads)



6 sessions; cost negotiable

ph. 455 3838 txt 0276 670890

liz@cathsocialservices.org.nz

www.cathsocialservices.org.nz





Easter Football Fundraiser



Come on down to Inflatable World!

Easter Friday the 14th of April

\$10 (normally \$14) per person for 2 hours of play!

- Open 10am to 4pm
- CASH ONLY
- Separate play area for the under 5's
- Sausage sizzle & drinks at the venue
- Raffle and prizes to be won

93 Crawford Street, Dunedin

www.dunedintechlions.com



TRY SOMETHING NEW



**MOSGIEL JUNIOR
BADMINTON CLUB**

2017 Season

starts

Friday 5th May 7.00pm – 8:30pm
Mosgiel Memorial Stadium

Boys and Girls Ages 8-18 years

Club Nights: Friday 7pm – 8:30pm
School Terms 2 & 3

NEW

**social and competitive players
WELCOME**

It is a fun night. Come join us

Coaching lessons available

Contact

Mark 021 276 8802

MosgielJuniorBdmntn@gmail.com