Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tena koutou katoa

WELCOME

We welcome to Room 12 Nika Miller and James Corbett. We wish them happy times at East Taieri School. Nika is the fourth generation of the Miller family to attend East Taieri School.

TALENT QUEST

Our fabulous annual Talent Quest will be held this Friday at 1:00pm in the Owhiro Centre. The Talent Quest is a great opportunity for children to showcase their talents to the school community so please feel free to come and spend a thoroughly entertaining afternoon with us. We had a huge number of children auditioning this year (130!) so understandably although we would love to have everyone on stage there would not be enough time. A big thankyou to all the teachers who gave up their lunchtimes to come and help with auditions. See late in this newsletter for the finalists.

Sarah O’Neill & Lucy Morris

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TECHNOLOGY GRANT
We are delighted to announce that the Trillian Trust have accepted our request for a grant to support us in purchasing new technology for our school. They have provided funding for us to buy 10 new Chromebooks which will be ready to be used in classes next year. We are very committed to our goal of providing a ratio of 1 device to 1 to 2 students.

ROOMS 11 & 12 ASSEMBLY
We were thoroughly entertained by Rooms 11 and 12 at their Fairy Tale assembly last Friday. Some of the performers had been at school only a few days and it was great to see them so confident in front of a large audience of parents as well as the whole school.

FMS CHALLENGE
Last Wednesday a group of Year 1, 2, and 3 children went off to the Caledonian to participate in a fundamental skills programme run by Sport Otago. The children joined children from other schools and challenged themselves with a variety of activities.
Sports Academy Trip to Dive Otago
On Wednesday last week a group of very keen Sports Academy children headed off to Dive Otago to have a go at Scuba Diving. The children had a theory session on Monday to learn the correct hand signals, have a safety briefing, and solve any worries that they had.
Once at Dive Otago they got geared up into wetsuits, flippers, mask and snorkel, then entered the pool. It was rather chilly in the pool until they got going with all their gear on. All the children wore a full PFD and tank with all the gear, a rather heavy load for little people. They were able to use the BCD to breathe underwater and were taken down one at a time with the instructor to a depth of 3 or 4 metres. Underwater they got to swim around on the bottom and meet up with their mates to try out their hand signals. It was very important that they equalised their ears on the way down and up and kept in close contact with their diving buddy. All the children had a great go. I was impressed with their positive attitudes and their willingness to have a go at something new and a little scary for some. Everyone had a great experience and some were very keen to try it again.

ORANGE PARADE
On Friday the Year 6 Road Patrollers travelled to the Dental School in Dunedin to start our Orange Parade. We walked down the main street to the Octagon wearing orange clothing. After our guest speaker from the Dunedin City Council we hopped back on the bus and head to Moana Pool for a swim and a sausage sizzle.
Erin Hancock & Isabel Gallagher

SANTA PARADE
We have been approached by the organisers of the Dunedin Santa Parade to help with their Wild Wild West Float. They require children for this float. We need a parent to co-ordinate this. If you would like to know more please see Annette in the office.
Congratulations to the following students who were presented with certificates at Room 11 & 12’s Assembly last Friday.

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VALUES STARS
- Ella Ward – for picking up rubbish that wasn’t hers
- William Samuels – for filling in at PE Shed without being asked and tidying it up
- Abigail Anderson – for her very caring, nurturing manner looking after others in the playground
CAROL SERVICES
The Carol Services this year take place on Wednesday 16 December at the East Taieri Presbyterian Church

- Junior Syndicate – 11am
- Middle Syndicate – 1.30pm
- Senior Syndicate – 7pm

LIBRARY BOOKS AND READING BOOKS
It is time to have a check under the beds and in your child’s room for any of our library books or reading books that children may have taken home. Please return to school asap.

WANTED - PARENTS FOR ROAD PATROL 2016
At the end of this year we will sadly say good-bye to some of our very loyal Road Patrol parents. For 2016 we will need new volunteers to patrol the Gladstone Road crossing. This would only be for 15 minutes in the morning 8.30pm – 8.45pm and 15 minutes in the afternoon 3pm – 3.15pm. We rely on volunteers to help get our children safely across this road.

FOCUS VALUE –
HONESTY

FINALISTS FOR THE TALENT QUEST – FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER @ 1PM

JUNIORS Yr 0-2
Individuals
- Chelsea King – Dance
- Aria Wilson – Song
- Ruan Hamman - Song

Groups
- Charlotte Horne and Tayla Brough - Dance
- Matthew Hanna and Zac Cunningham – Dance
- Rebecca Duff and Jessica Hanna – Dance

MIDDLES Yr 3-4
Individuals
- Lewis Divers – Dance
- Amber Dawson – Tap Dancing
- Erika Reid – Dance

Groups
- Leo Jones, Charlie Brough and Brody Mitchell - Band
- Georgia McHutcheon, Daniel Joint, Josh Jackson, Alexis Watt and Abigail Anderson – Dance
- Jesakah Thom, Emily Russell, Madison Shaw – Joke Show
SENIORS Yr 5-6

Individuals
- Ella Hodgson – Dance
- Philippa King – Clarinet
- Nate Winesky – Guitar

Groups
- Caleb Anderson, Isobel Gallagher, Ella Hodgson, Jamin Millar, Oscar Grey, Erin Hancock, Piper Smart, Zara Adamson, Oliver Sabiston, Ollie Smythe – Dance
- Jamie Ruddenklau, Bridget Guilford, Holly Bonney, Emily Esplin, Annabel King-Begg – TV Show
- Toni McKay, Maleena Taia, Crystal Darling – Gymnastics dance
- Oscar Grey and Paddy Smythe - Guitar

FLIPPABALL
The East Taieri Eels had another busy weekend. They played a game on Saturday which they lost and a semifinal game yesterday and unfortunately another loss. These are the first losses they have had, so a very good season for the team.
Player of the Day (Saturday) – O’Hara Couch
Player of the Day (Sunday) – Emma Timney.
Player of the Day – (22 November) – Emily Russell

Christmas is just around the corner and it’s not only the Christmas presents we need to start thinking about, but the lovely Christmas dinner!

Matt Hanrahan (ex East Taieri pupil) has made and is fundraising for the Kings High School European Football Tour 2017. He is selling Christmas Hams-Whole Hams (min 9.5 kg) $85 and half Hams (min 4.7 kg) is $50! Most whole hams around town are over $100. They are Canadian hams - best in the world supposedly! Delivery date is either 18th or 21st December. I will deliver them to you where I can/or arrangements can be made. If you are interested text or phone me on 0273315364

FINAL ORDERS AND PAYMENT BY 7 DECEMBER

Regards Megan Hanrahan

LOST
POLAR FLEECE SIZE 6
Named: Jack J Room 9

Guitar, Drums and Bass Tuition

Estab 2007
Phil Hartshorn BA (HONS) PGDip Tching
Phone 021 075 0927
Email: phil@philiphartshorn.com
Web: dunedinguitar.nz
East Taieri School Fundraising

Any purchases at Storage Box Dunedin Store of lunch boxes, drink bottles, yogurt movers, mini ice packs and more lunch items we will make a donation 12.5% to the school.

This fundraising will run from December 2015 to the end of February 2016.

- Lunch boxes
- Drink bottles
- Gel ice packs
- Yogurt movers
- Wrap boxes
- Snack tubes
- Cookie movers
- And more...

**Sistema – New Zealand made**

**Nude – Rubbish free lunch box range**

**Drink bottles** – extensive range including ones that stay cold for up to 12 hours.

When purchasing just tell us that you are from East Taieri School and we will do the rest!

Purchases in-store or by phone:

140D Cumberland Street, Dunedin. 03 479-0939 Open 7 days
**Children’s Holiday Art Classes**

The Cave Art Studio, East Taieri

21st, 22nd & 23rd December 9.30 am – 12.30 pm

Art classes with qualified School Teacher and Artist Cheryl Pearson B.Ed.(Teach), ATCL

Christmas-themed artwork and crafts in a fun environment. Children bring morning tea and enjoy one, two or three fun and creative sessions at The Cave Art Studio.

For details and to enrol phone: 489-4810 / 027 489-4120
or e-mail: thecaveartstudio@xtra.co.nz

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**SUPER SALE**

Great Gift Shopping Day

Allanton Hall

December 5th - 9.30 AM to 3.30 PM

There will be New and Used items for sale. Terrific Christmas gift ideas (new items). Great selection of items for children, men and women Christmas or Birthday gifts, books, toys, clothing and so much more.

Fabulous Preowned Items for everyone as well.

Come on down we are only a few minutes’ drive from Mosgiel. Great playground at Allanton for the younger ones. Love to see you there

Free Tea & Coffee Refreshments.

Any Queries please contact Miranda on 0276988150

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Taieri College blouse for sale. It is barely worn, in excellent condition, short sleeve, size 6. RRP is $45 and I will sell this for $25.

Rochelle Crossman

022 477 5155