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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia ora koutou

Recently we have had requests from several schools wanting to visit East Taieri to observe collaborative teaching practice throughout the school, as well as the Juniors' play-based learning approach. We have had some great feedback. I shared with the Board of Trustees the feedback from a group of ten North Otago principals who visited last week. The Board was keen for me to share it with you.

FEEDBACK FROM NORTH OTAGO PRIMARY PRINCIPALS ' VISIT TO EAST TAIERI SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 13TH JUNE 2017:

- Students taking control of their own learning.
- Passionate teachers who want to make a difference to their children.
- Fantastic resources.
- Great organisation in each class area.
- Teachers working collaboratively and enjoying it.
- Children engaged and motivated to learn.
- Teachers able to articulate their philosophy and then show how they were acting on that and putting it into practice.
- Students engaged (despite visitors!)
- School direction consistent even though it was at a different pace across the school, in order to meet teacher buy in.
- Fantastic art around the school.
- Junior play based learning looked great. Will be bringing my Jnr syndicate leader and new entrant teacher back if that's ok.
- Great children reflecting stable systems and aligned expectations. Have a few I could swap with you.
- Collaboration well established and embraced by teachers.
- I would like to bring my senior leaders to talk to Jennifer and teachers. Your school direction and culture lines up well with ours.
- Collaboration and excitement around it
- Students who could articulate their learning and their choices and who seemed committed to their learning
- On task behaviour
- Attractive displays/provocations
- Library weather display was stunning
- Staff and students very friendly and open/welcoming
- Children in senior area were able to show their learning was at a conceptual level not just recall of facts but "What will we need to cope with extreme weather?"

SCHOOL INTERVIEWS – TUESDAY 4 & 5 JULY

School Interviews will be held on Tuesday 4 July 3.15pm – 8.30pm and on Wednesday 5 July 3.15pm – 6.30pm. Please go online to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz - our school code is: nddwv. If you are unable to do this please see Annette in the office.

BE PREPARED DAY

Everyone enjoyed our 'Be Prepared Day' where classes rotated around a variety of activities which included first aid, emergency kits, tent pitching and knowing what to do in an emergency. In the afternoon guest speakers from the police, fire brigade and civil defence spoke to the children



about their roles in an emergency.



CAN DRIVE

Well done to Room 4 children who brought the most cans for our Salvation Army Can Drive last week. We have 350 cans to donate. Thanks to all who supported our Can Drive.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY – Friday 7 July (last day of term)



Children are looking forward to sharing their learning with grandparents on Friday 7 July.

The plan for the day is as follows:

10.00am - 10.30am – grandparents in classrooms

10.30am – morning tea

11.00am – cultural assembly

12 midday – Barbeque

★ **VALUES STARS** ★

- Charlotte Horne, Chelsea Cross, Tayla Brough, Kayla Mcleman and Nadia Te Kanawa ~ for being amazing friends to Daryl-Ann
- Sam Jones – for helping a classmate with an activity during our Be Prepared Day

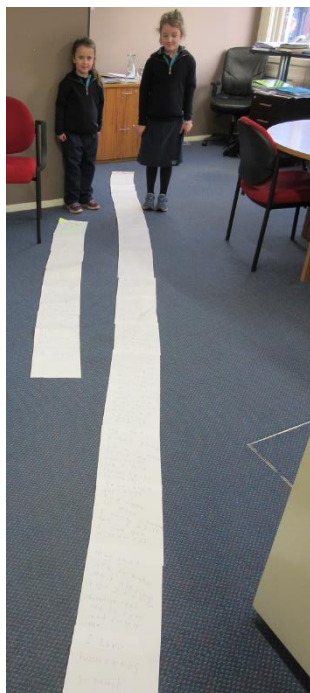
Term 2 Dates	
JUNE	
29-30	Year 4 Sleepover – Group 3
JULY	
4 & 5	School Interviews
7	Cultural Assembly Home & School BBQ Grandparents Day End of Term 2
Term 3	24 July – 29 September
Term 4	16 October – 18 December

★ **DISCOVERY TIME STARS** ★

Focus Key Competency for last week: Managing Self

The following children were identified by parents and student leaders as showing excellent self-management skills during Discovery Time:

Cayden Roome, Ella Reid-Blair, Shae Adams, Edelle Berman, William Samuels, Dawn Winikoff, Cooper Scammell, Nika Miller, Rebecca Duff, Max Shrimpton, Tokoitu Taia, Blake Shrimpton, Mace Hodge, Toby O'Neill, Jamie Bradfield, Roma Daniell, Elodie Illian, Olivia Wallace, Hannah Anderson, Grace Turton, Renee Powell, Lilly Carter.



CHILDREN CHOOSING DIFFERENT WAYS TO SHOW THEIR LEARNING

Milly Quelch, Bella Brough and Evelyn Bond chose to add to their writing each day last week, ending up with stories that reached across the room!

LOST PROPERTY

We have a huge amount of lost property – many unnamed uniform items. Lost property will be displayed this week and next. Anything unclaimed at the end of the term will be given to the second-hand uniform shop.

You're invited to our Scholastic

BOOK FAIR!



All purchases earn books and learning resources for our school!

Date	Time
Place	

Find these books and hundreds more at the Fair!

SCHOLASTIC

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair will be held in our school library during the last week of term. This is a great opportunity to encourage your child's love of reading and maybe get a few early Christmas presents to put away! All purchases go towards buying books for our school library.

Opening hours:

Monday 3rd July: 3pm - 4pm
 Tuesday 4th July: 3pm - 8pm
 Wednesday 5th July: 3pm - 6pm
 Thursday 6th July: 3pm-4pm
 Friday 7 July: 10:30am-1:30pm

**FOCUS VALUE ~ FAIR PLAY AND
SELF-CONTROL**

QUIZ NIGHT FOR THE MULDER FAMILY

A big thank you to all those who supported the amazing Quiz night for the Mulder family. We broke the record for the highest amount raised - \$17,000.

Myself (Kelli) Darren Keen, Eterei Stonelake, Anoushka Ballantyne and Nikki Cockburn would like to thank each and every one of you who supported us.

We would also like to thank those who helped us on the night selling raffles, counting up the money etc. Also the amazing local businesses who got behind this cause.

From the Quiz Night Committee.

OTAGO ART SOCIETY YOUTH ART AWARDS

Children are invited to enter the Otago Art Society's Youth Art Awards 2017. See later in the newsletter for more information.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open this Friday in the School Hub between Rooms 6 & 7

- 8.30am – 8.50am

LOST / FOUND

Lost - blue explorer shoe Size 12.

Found – blue explorer shoe size 11 (with Oscar written on the tongue)

Please check your child's shoes to make sure you have the right pair.

HOME & SCHOOL NEWS

GRANDPARENTS' DAY BBQ - Friday 7th July

Order forms will be sent home this week.

Please feel free to add Grandparents/parents orders onto these if you wish.

Spare forms will be available at the office.

If you can spare an hour or two, we would love some extra help.

Message Tracy 0274152758

ED SHEERAN CONCERT

Thursday 29th March 2018

Saturday 31st March 2018

Sunday 1st April 2018

The school has been given a fundraising opportunity for this event next year.

Armour Guard provide the security for Forsyth Barr and are putting together a list of Community groups/Schools etc, to provide volunteers to help them on the 3 nights Ed Sheeran will be here. At this stage I am just collecting names and date/dates you could help.

PLEASE NOTE - this is not a confirmed commitment but rather just an estimate of how many people we could provide.

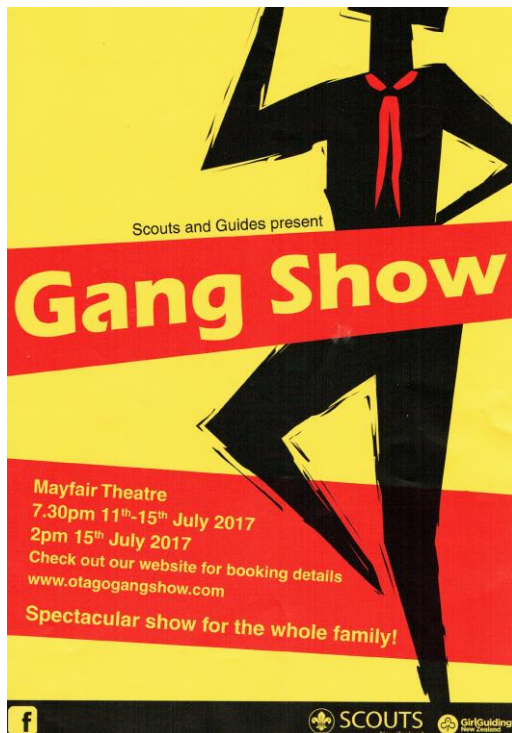
Please message me with name, phone number and dates available and I will add you to the database.

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It is my privilege to invite you to this year's Gang Show. Louise Lawson from your school is joining 68 other Scouts and Guides selected from all over Otago and Southland to take part in this wonderful musical comedy show. We count ourselves very lucky to have her great talents.

If you are able to come, you will be encouraged again by the many abilities of our young people as they ably sing, act and dance their way through a James Bond themed show after a rehearsing commitment of an average of 130 hours each!

The show will take place in the first week of the school holidays from 11-15 July inclusive, at the Mayfair theatre in Dunedin. It has stunning sets, hundreds of costumes and a live orchestra - delivering an all age, fun night at the theatre. Bookings are available through our website

<http://www.otagogangshow.com/booktickets.html>.

Hi, my name is Alicia de Bono and I am currently looking for a baby-sitting job.
I am fifteen years old and have had experience baby-sitting little to older kids.
I am available Monday and Thursday after school, Friday nights and weekends to baby-sit at the moment.
I am also available during school holidays.
I can cook and prepare children for bed and I am not shy to interact with them.

Numbers you can call me on,
Home- 03 489 6597
Cell- 021 242 5727
Cell- 022 318 0301

Exciting opportunity! Young artists' work displayed in a high profile art gallery:

Otago Art Society *Youth Art Awards 2017*

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ABOUT THE EXHIBITION:

- There is no set theme.
- Works may be 2- or 3-dimensional.
- Please note: only one entry per artist.
- Entries are welcome from individuals or school groups.

RECEIVING OF ENTRIES:

Please bring your artwork to Otago Art Society,
1st Floor, Dunedin Railway Station, on either
Friday 8th September from 3.00 to 6.00pm, or
Saturday 9th September from 10am to 4.00pm.

To be exhibited at the
Otago Art Society galleries
1st floor, Dunedin Railway Station

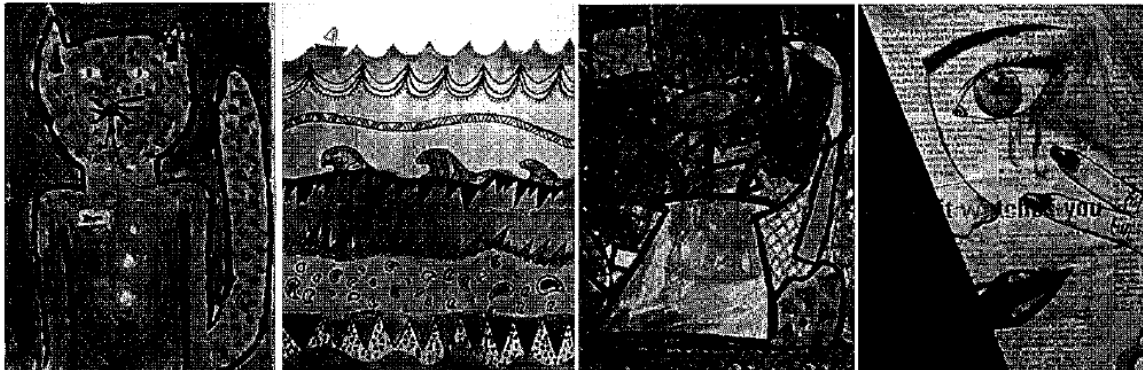
16th September
to 1st October

Four AGE GROUP sections:

- 5 to 7 years old
- 8 to 10 years old
- 11 to 13 years old
- 14 and 15 years old

PRIZES:

- 4 prizes awarded in each section.
- There will be a prize for Best School.
- All artists will receive a Certificate of Participation when work is collected after exhibition.



*Opening Night Fun: Friday 15th September at 5.30pm.
Food Frolic in the Foyer, followed by awarding of prizes.*

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