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## Dear Parents/Caregivers

Thank you to families for your cooperation in enabling staff to make the most of our Teacher Only Day yesterday. Our trip to Christchurch was very successful, with the opportunity to visit two very different schools, both showcasing collaborative teaching. It was great to be able to pick up new ideas, as well as affirm that the direction in which we are heading with our own East Taieri teaching approach is in-line with these highly regarded Christchurch schools.

### SUPPORT FOR THE MULDER FAMILY

Kelli Najafi is organising a meal/baking roster for the Mulder family. If you are keen to help, please contact Kelly on 0273794225. She is happy to collect and deliver. Thanks to everyone for their support.

### BULLYING-FREE NZ WEEK

This week is national Bullying-Free NZ Week. Schools can't prevent bullying alone. They need the support of whanau and communities to provide safe, positive learning environments for our children. Ideas for promoting discussion with your children can be found at [www.bullyingfree.nz](http://www.bullyingfree.nz)

### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

There are 45 outstanding Entertainment Books. Please return money or books to school. Outstanding books will be charged to parents.

BOOK CLUB - Book Club orders to be in by tomorrow.

### EMAILING NEWSLETTERS

Our trial last week was not altogether successful with some families not able to download or receive the newsletter. We are going back to hard copy for this term and looking at a new programme for Term 3. Last week's newsletter can be viewed on the school website or on our facebook page.



### STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Because Rooms 1 & 2 will be away on a school trip this Friday, the Student Council Mufti Day Chat Bus fundraiser has been postponed until Friday 2 June.

**Theme: 'What I want to be when I grow up'**

**Gold coin donation**

## **MATHS EVENING – Wednesday 23 August**

Our Maths Evening will now be held in early Term 3 – Wednesday 23 August. The evening, for parents and children, goes from 5:30-6:30pm and begins in the Owhiro Centre where we will present an explanation of how the maths evening will operate. Each team will have stations run by 'expert' children. These experts will help to explain what strategies your children are using or learning in class, as well as the knowledge required at each stage. This night will be very informative and we encourage all parents to come along with their children.



### **FUTURE FOCUSED EDUCATION**

### **OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR INTERNATIONAL PRESENTER MARK OSBORNE – 15 JUNE**

We are delighted to be able to offer parents and caregivers the opportunity to hear internationally renowned presenter Mark Osborne explain how schools are preparing students for 'their future; not our past'.

Mark has worked with both East Taieri and St Clair Schools on the development of a collaborative approach to teaching as well as promoting learner agency in our students.

We are offering **two parent sessions on Thursday 15 June – one at East Taieri School, 4.00pm – 5.00pm and the other at St Clair School 7.00pm – 8.00pm.**

### **Outline of presentation: 'Future Focused Education'**

Schools, just like many other parts of our community, are experiencing significant change. They are trying to keep pace with rapidly evolving technology, changes in the world of work, and the demands being placed on our young people. This presentation will look at some of the key trends impacting on education and how schools are responding to these trends by adopting innovative approaches not only to *what* and *how* students learn, but also *where* they learn. Come along to hear how schools are preparing students for 'their future; not our past'.

Mark Osborne is Director of Leading Learning Ltd and has been a teacher, school leader and consultant for more than 20 years. He works nationally and internationally on future-focused education, innovative learning environments and educational leadership, helping schools build great places to learn and the capability to make the most of those spaces. Mark is also a doctoral researcher at the University of Melbourne currently looking at change leadership in innovative learning environments.

Prior to becoming a consultant, Mark was on the foundation leadership team at Albany Senior High School. He has also worked extensively in libraries, with digital technologies and in makerspaces, working to create diverse, inclusive communities that help each other learn, innovate and find fulfilment.

**For Helpfulness:**

Samuel McHutchon, Charlie Brough & Emma Timney

**For Participating and Contributing:**

Alexis Watt, Van Galvin, Reuben Slocombe, Aden Rivett, O'Hara Couch, Rosie Falcus, Phoebe McEwan, Keisha Little, Chelsea King, Connie Daniel, Scott McDonald, Jessie Roff, Hudson Shaw, Denley Read, Grace Turton, Amaya Campbell, Harrison Corbett, Lily McGrath.

**VALUES STARS**

- Finn Wilson, Harrison Thode and Charlie Freeman ~ for kindness and helpfulness

**FOCUS VALUE ~ RESPECT**

**NEW WORLD FREE BOOKS PROMOTION**



Thank you to all the people who participated in the Kellogg's New World Free Books for Schools promotion. Our library received 20 fabulous, brand new books for your children to read. Well done! 😊

Term 2 Dates	
<b>MAY</b>	
25	Rooms 3 & 4 Museum Trip
26	Rooms 1 & 2 Museum Trip
26	Room 9/10 Assembly
<b>JUNE</b>	
2	Chat Bus - Student Council Mufti Day fundraiser
5	Queens Birthday Weekend – No School
9	Room 5 Assembly
12 – 30	Gymnastic Module
15 – 16	Year 4 Sleepover – Group 1
22 – 23	Year 4 Sleepover – Group 2
25 – 29	Year 4 Sleepover – Group 3

<b>JULY</b>	
4 & 5	School Interviews
7	Cultural Assembly Home & School BBQ Grandparents Day <b>End of Term 2</b>
<b>Term 3</b>	24 July – 29 September
<b>Term 4</b>	16 October – 18 December

### **CHILDREN ARRIVING BEFORE 8.30AM**

A reminder about procedure for children arriving at school before 8.30am - Kelly Club provides supervision for children from 7.30am – see information sheet from the office for

costs/times/occasional bookings, etc. Children who are not booked in at Kelly Club, but arrive at school before 8.30am will need to wait on the courts, as they are not permitted into classes before then. This is a valuable time for teachers as they prepare for the day. Your support in this matter is appreciated.

### **TSSA DUATHLON**

Congratulations to all participants who competed in last week's TSSA Duathlon. It was great to see the camaraderie and support that our children gave to each other.

#### **YEAR 4 GIRLS**

1st - Micheala Everett–Hincks,  
Jess Hanna, Sophie Thode

2nd - Connie Daniell, Chelsea King,  
Ella Reid-Blair



#### **YEAR 5 GIRLS**

1st - Aria Wilson, Tyla Stanley, Amelia Thorburn

#### **YEAR 6 Girls**

1st - Georgia McHutchon, Charlotte Va'afusuaga,  
Rosie Falcous

2nd – Emma Timney, O'Hara Couch, Pippa Earl

3rd – Edelle Berman, Louise Lawson, Hannah Hopkins



#### **YEAR 6 BOYS**

1st – Harris Thode, Finn Wilson, Daniel Joint

### **DISCOVERY TIME**

'**Discovery Time**' has started again on a Friday between playtime and lunchtime for the Year 3 to 6 children (11:20-12:30). 'Discovery Time' is a fantastic opportunity to develop the wonderful child leaders we have at East Taieri School and help students to develop the competencies to become lifelong learners and competent citizens.

Discovery Time provides opportunities to help scaffold and extend students' learning through a variety of different learning experiences, ranging from science and technology, to building and the arts.

Children will lead and plan activity sessions but it is a great opportunity to come and work alongside your child as a leader and provide them with support. We would also love grandparents and parents to come and take small groups as well.

If you are available to come along, **even once**, and take a small group for an activity it would be hugely appreciated. Examples of activities you might like to take are cooking, art, craft, woodwork, sports skills, board game sessions, photography.....anything you like! There can be remuneration of costs of materials if necessary.

Please fill in the form on the back of this document and return it to your child's teacher or contact Sarah O'Neill - [sarah@east-taieri.school.nz](mailto:sarah@east-taieri.school.nz)

Thank you for your support!

Regards

Discovery Time Team

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**Name:**

**Contact phone number:**

**E-mail address:**

<b>Date ( 11:20-12:30)</b>	<b>I am available to come (Please tick)</b>	<b>Activity I will take and maximum number of children.</b>
Friday 2 June		
Friday 9 June		
Friday 16 June		
Friday 22 June		
Friday 29 June		

**SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP**

The second hand uniform shop will be open again **Thursday 25th May** after school 3.00pm-3.15pm in the Resource Room beside room 4.

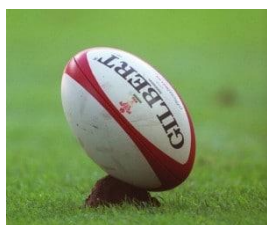
### **BABYSITTER AVAILABLE**

If there are any families in need of a babysitter, Taieri College student Emily Hackfath (17years old), is available at a price of \$10 per hour.

If you have any enquires please contact her at 0277808422

Thank you 😊

### **HIGHLANDERS PROMOTION**



THERE'S STILL TIME TO VOTE.

Use the web address below to vote for East Taieri School. If we get the most votes we win:

Afternoon tea with the Pulse Energy Highlanders...

100 Double passes to the Highlanders V Reds game (14 July)

Sports drills and games with the players (1.30pm - 3pm)

A 2017 signed Highlanders jersey

Voting closes 26th June, and your only allowed one vote per person.

And don't forget to ask your friends and family to vote too.

<https://www.pulseenergy.co.nz/about-pulse/community/win-the-ultimate-highlanders-experience>