



# Newsletter

## 21 August 2024 Newsletter No 14

Tena koutou katou

I would like to thank all the parents and caregivers that helped with the ski and skate day last Thursday. We wouldn't be able to give our students these amazing days without your support. The children had a lot of fun and I am sure it will be an experience they will remember for a long time. Activities like this take a lot of planning and organisation and I thank the staff involved for all their hard work.

This week we welcome Julia Trushin to our school. Julia is beginning her teaching journey with us, as the Room 6 teacher.

This Friday is our school hangi and once again we thank those parents who have offered to help with this event. Fingers crossed for fine weather on Friday.

Next Thursday we look forward to our school disco. Parents are welcome to come along and join in the fun and show off their dance moves! The junior disco (Yr 1-4) is from 4-5 pm and the senior disco (Yr 5-8) is from 5.30-6.30 pm. Please make sure that you are here on time to collect your child from the school hall at the end of the disco.

Have a good week.

Regards  
Richard

## REMINDER - DISCO Grantlea Downs Date: Thursday 29th August 2024 Theme: Olympics



The Grantlea Downs **DISCO** will be held on Thursday 29th August 2024.

- Times - Junior: 4-5pm  
Senior: 5:30-6:30pm
- Cost: \$5 prepaid ticket gets you a VIP goodie bag. Tickets will be available from **Tuesday 20th August to Wednesday 28th August 8.30-9.00am** in the entrance to the office block.
- \$2 for door entry on the day.
- Olympic theme: wear your sportiest outfit.
- Win prizes in fun competitions and for best dressed Olympian.

### BIKE REPAIRS

We have a few school bikes here that need a little bit of attention. Is there anyone in the community who would be able and willing to offer some help with fixing these?

Please contact Ange Hide  
[ange@grantleadowns.school.nz](mailto:ange@grantleadowns.school.nz)




**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**  
Our KickStart Breakfast Club need some fantastic helpers to lend a hand in the morning!  
*Please contact the school office if you can help support our morning kai.*




**Did you know!?**  
We are one of 1,100 schools who are part of KickStart Breakfast! Come and check out our breakfast club and KickStart your day!



## HANGI 2024 - Reminder

The school Hangi is being held this **Friday the 23rd of August**.

A reminder of what is required on the day:

- The **school will provide food for the Hangi**. Your child is **welcome to bring their own food parcel** to be cooked in the Hangi if they wish.
  - Your food parcel will need to be well wrapped in tin foil and labelled (please be realistic about the amount of food for your child as there is limited space in the Hangi). Check out [this video](#) about how to wrap parcels.
  - Parcels need to be at school **by 8.30am** on Friday - ready to be placed in the Hangi basket.
- If you would not like your child to participate in the Hangi, that is fine but there will be **no alternative offered** so they will need to bring their own lunch.



At School 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> September

More details to follow in the next newsletter, but You can get started on your diorama now!

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR DIORAMA CONTEST

Option 1 Fiction: Create a diorama based on a scene from your favourite book or story.



Option 2 Non-fiction: Create a diorama based on an facts book e.g. Olympics, history, nature etc.

**ENTRIES TO THE HALL STAGE 3RD TO 6TH SEPTEMBER. PLEASE INCLUDE NAME, CLASS, AND THE TITLE OF THE BOOK. DIORAMAS WILL BE ON DISPLAY DURING THE BOOK FAIR THE FOLLOWING WEEK.**



**PRIZES**

## OPIHI TEAM VISIT TO THE AIGANTIGHE ART GALLERY

On Tuesday 13th August the Opihi Team visited the Aigantighe Art Gallery. We looked at the Artarama exhibition where several South Canterbury Schools shared their artwork. Rm 1 and 2 won the **Friendship and Collaboration Award** and received a certificate and a \$50.00 voucher. They will share their ideas on how to use the voucher. The children took part in an art hunt, following clues and trying to find the piece of art by looking and listening to the clues.

The Opihi students were a credit to our school, they were all very well-behaved and we were very proud of them. A big thank you to the parents/grandparents that met us at the Aigantighe Art Gallery and supervised small groups of students. We can't do these activities without parental help.



## Principal Awards – Term 3 Week 4

Rustyn List, James Willmott, Livi Gilmour, Archie Kotua

## Class and Values Champions

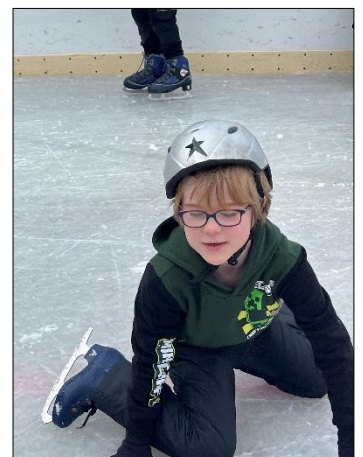
### Class Awards - Week 3

Caspar Kovacs, Te Aika Reihana, Aania Chand, Athreya Ashwinkumar, Madison McGrail, Sydney Rongonui, Tori Flintoft, Fletcher Tee

### Values Champion – Week 4

Connor Hough, Reon Hunt, Aroha Kumar, Frankie McArthur, Karl Hernandez, Akulan Ashwinkumar, Mahara Tungia, Sophie Scott, Ruby MacGregor, Lennox Thomson, Jett Whyte, Carter Brown, Laila Fifita

# Ski/Skate Day 2024



# COMMUNITY NOTICES



**FAIRLIE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
SUPPORTING THE JOURNEY - DISCOVERING THE POTENTIAL

# SKI RACE

SEPTEMBER 13TH 2024

**Entry Fee \$20**  
(BOYS & GIRLS)

- YEAR 3/4
- YEAR 5/6
- YEAR 7/8

*Sausage sizzle*

FOR ENTRY FORM AND FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE VISIT [www.fairlie.school.nz](http://www.fairlie.school.nz)

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# MUD FESTIVAL 2024

Get ready for some muddy good fun!

**14 September 2024** **Pleasant Point Domain**  
9:30am - 2:00pm State Highway 8

**5km Adult/Youth Course** **1.5km Kids Course**

Adult Team of 4 - \$80  
Youth Team of 4 - \$40  
Adult Individual (age 16+) - \$20  
Youth Individual (age 11-15) - \$10  
Kids (age 5-10) - \$5



Scan QR Code to register, or visit [ymcasc.org.nz/mud-festival-2024](http://ymcasc.org.nz/mud-festival-2024)

**\*\*ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY. NO REGISTRATION ON THE DAY\*\***

For more info contact:  
Kathy Wilkins 021 260 3933 [kathy@ymcasc.org.nz](mailto:kathy@ymcasc.org.nz)

Mud Slides | Obstacles | Colour Run  
Prizes | Sausage Sizzle | Music | Fancy Dress | and more!

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Waimataitai School



**FIRE EMERGENCY**

## Fire safety at home

Recently there was a fire in your neighbourhood. Big or small, a fire can impact not only the family involved but the wider community.

Fire and Emergency offer free Home Fire Safety Visits to people, family and whānau who require fire safety advice.

During a Home Fire Safety Visit we:

- Provide information on fire safety
- Install and test smoke alarms
- Provide FREE smoke alarms for those eligible.

**4x** You're four times more likely to survive a house fire if you have a working smoke alarm.

Book your **FREE Home Fire Safety Visit:**



**Press their buttons to make sure they're ready to protect you**

Maintain and check your smoke alarms regularly:

- Once a month**  
Press the test button to sound the alarm.  
(Use a broom handle if you can't reach the button).
- Every six months**  
Vacuum or dust your smoke alarms to help avoid false alarms.
- Every 10 years**  
Replace all smoke alarms with new long-life photoelectric smoke alarms.



**PHOTOELECTRIC RECOMMENDED**

[www.fireandemergency.nz](http://www.fireandemergency.nz)