



Newsletter

3 July 2024 Newsletter No 11

Tena koutou katoa

This week has seen us celebrate Matariki and it has been great to see so many of you coming along to the breakfasts. Matariki is a time to reflect on the past, celebrate the present and plan for the future, as the days become longer with hopefully some more sunlight and warmth!

On Friday, achievement information and comments will go "live" on HERO. Please take the time over the holidays to sit down with your child(ren) and reflect on their achievements. It is important to focus on the positive comments (all of us like praise) and compliment your child for their progress during in Term 1 and 2. We will be holding parent conferences in Week 3 next term which will give you the opportunity to talk to your child's teacher in more depth about progress and next steps.

The end of the term sees us farewell Mr Vaughan Skea, Ms Sharon Allen and Mrs Melissa O'Connor. They have all made a big contribution to Grantlea Downs School and will be missed. We wish Vaughan and Sharon all the best in their future endeavours and Melissa with the impending birth of her first child. We hope to see them back at our school sometime in the future.

Looking ahead to Term 3 we have another busy term ahead. Our ski/skate day is planned for Thursday 15th August and we have an Olympics day organised for Thursday 19th September.

We wish you and your children a good break over the school holidays.

Regards
Richard.

**SCHOOL CLOSED -
ADVANCED NOTICE**
**School will be closed on
MONDAY 19 AUGUST for
Staff Only Training Day.**



NEW STUDENTS

We welcome Saulo Dondiego and his family to Grantlea Downs in the last fortnight.

MUFTI DAY - Youth Diabetes

Our Mufti day held 14 June in support of Youth Diabetes raised \$411.70. Thank you for your generous donations to this cause.

ADVANCED NOTICE!
School will be finishing at 1pm for students on Wednesday 7th August for Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences.
Lunches will still be provided and the bus will run at the earlier time of 1.10pm.
Booking information to follow in the first newsletter next term.

WANTED – SMALL BIKES

If anyone has any spare small bikes they would like to donate to the school, they would be greatly appreciated. We have a container on site to store bikes and scooters for children to use on the bike track if they do not have their own but require some smaller sized bikes.

SKI/SKATE DAY – Yrs 3-8

Our ski/skate day is to be held in Term 3, Week 4, on Thursday 15th August. Both skiing and skating will be held at Lake Tekapo, with the skiing at Roundhill and the skating at Alpine Springs Ice Skating Rink. As this is an Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) trip, there will be **NO COST** to the students. Students in Year 3 and 4 will be skating and students in Yrs 5 – 8 will have a choice of skiing or skating. More information will be sent home in the first week of next term.



MATARIKI BREAKFAST

Opihi Team had their Matariki Breakfast Celebration on Tuesday morning. A big thanks to the Whanau that attended with their Tamariki. On display was Matariki artwork from throughout the school. Kereta and Acacia had their Matariki Breakfast Celebration this morning and Waipopo will hold theirs tomorrow.



LOST PROPERTY

We still have a lot of unnamed school uniform in the lost property and other personal items. If you are missing anything, please come and check the racks in the office foyer. Any unclaimed items will be donated.



Principal Awards - Term 2 Week 8

Connor Bruce, Danni Steedman, Mason Fitzgerald

Class and Values Champions

Class Awards - Week 7

Bianka O'Connor, Finley Hunter, Charlee Woods, Frankie McArthur, Ashton Ottley, Safiya Waperi, Manvi Maneesh, Henry Thomas, Danni Steedman

Values Champion - Week 8

Sinoti Morrison, Evie Hokai-Gage, Fynn Jackson, Mia Thompson, Luca Thomas, Spencer Bell, Teo Reha-Moki, Elena Wilkins, Ella Lambert

Class Awards - Week 9

Taleah Frew, Aroha Blissett, Honey Cross-Papuni, Lilly McGrail

TOTS TO TEENS MAGAZINE

Winter is upon us, and our latest issue is jam-packed with content to help Kiwi parents

issue2406.totstoteens.co.nz/

What's in this issue for parents?

- » Building resilience through story telling
- » How to get little kids ready to learn math
- » Navigating reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic
- » Family-friendly things to do, see, and experience
- » Your winter wellness kit
- » Scrummy recipes to warm up your family (and fill those lunch boxes)
- » Surviving the school holidays (with extended family)
- » Fun, cute, and practical craft with jars
- » PLUS awesome giveaways



Key Dates - Events Coming Up

4 July	Matariki Breakfast - Waipopo
5 July	Assembly 2.15pm
5 July	Reports go live
5 July	Last day of Term 2
Term 3	
22 July	First day of Term 3
2 Aug	Visiting Performer
2 Aug	Assembly 2.15pm
7 Aug	Parent/Teacher Conference 1.30-7pm
8 Aug	Parent/Teacher Conference 3.30 - 5.30pm
13 Aug	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
15 Aug	Ski/Skate Day
16 Aug	Assembly 2.15pm
19 Aug	Staff Only Day
23 Aug	Hangi
29 Aug	Disco
30 Aug	Assembly
9-13 Sept	Scholastic Book Fair Week
10 Sept	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
12 Sept	Opihi Tabloid Sports
19 Sept	Olympics Day
23 Sept	SC Anniversary Day
27 Sept	Mufti Day - Jeans Day SC Hospice
27 Sept	Assembly 2.15pm
27 Sept	Last Day of Term 3

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CONGRATULATIONS to Anabelle who won the Cook to Win Competition last month. This is what Anabelle had to say...

"I made pad thai. I don't like big chunks of vegetables, so I chopped them really small. I added my favourite meat - beef schnitzel. It was delicious.

I am so happy that I won. I won a salad recipe book, a special cooking knife and some vouchers. School gets a Warehouse voucher too, I wonder what we will use it for!"



Timaru District Libraries
July School Holiday Programme

Magical
MUSIC

Daily activities at
Timaru, Temuka and Geraldine Libraries
8-19th July, 2024
Programme calendars out soon!

TIMARU DISTRICT LIBRARIES
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LIFE EDUCATION Learning with Harold

5+ADay Challenge Your Taste

COOK TO WIN

with *two raw sisters* and a giraffe

Harold has teamed up with the Two Raw Sisters and 5 + A Day to inspire tamariki to make positive food choices. We want to see you get creative in the kitchen, cooking delicious and nutritious kai with your whānau!

ENTER:

- WATCH** our video cooking workshop 'Build your own Pad Thai'.
- COOK** the recipe with ingredients you have at home.
- SHARE** a photo of you cooking or of your final creation to enter the monthly prize draw!

PRIZES:
Each month between May - October 2024 we'll select one winner who'll receive:

- \$200 Two Raw Sisters voucher
- \$100 grocery voucher
- \$200 The Warehouse voucher for your school (full details plus terms and conditions on website)

Learn more at:
www.tworawsistersandagiraffe.org.nz/win

Mid - South Island Women's Refuge & Family Safety Services

Children's Event

BE A PART OF THE FESTIVITIES!

SUNDAY, JULY 14TH, 1PM - 3PM
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PRIMARY YEARS 5-11

TOOL BOX

Feel confident to tackle the primary years

Over six fun, practical and inspirational sessions, a trained facilitator will guide you through topics including:

- The importance of love and connection
- Different parenting styles
- Understanding your child's big emotions
- Discipline and boundaries
- And lots more!

1st August 2024
Thursday's 730-9pm for six weeks
Grow Together
44-46 Rothwell Street, Timaru

Book Online @ www.growtogether.nz
For more information email admin@growtogether.nz

Book online parentingplace.nz/toolbox

Toolbox by Parenting Place

COMMUNITY NOTICES

COMMUNITY dental service



Tips for Healthy Teeth

- Brush twice a day with fluoride toothpaste
- Choose healthy snacks,
- Choose water or milk first,
- Have regular dental check-ups

Health New Zealand
Te Whatu Ora

The **Community Dental Service** will be closed for the upcoming school holidays:

Closed from: Monday 8th July 2024

Reopen: Monday 22nd July 2024

Three of our community dental clinics will be open during the break:

Hillmorton (80-82 Sylvan Street)

Aranui (240 Breezes Road)

Timaru (18 Woollcombe Street)

If your child is experiencing any dental pain/discomfort, you can call us on **0800 846 983** and/or email: comm dental@cdhb.health.nz and one of our clinicians will contact you.

Workshop @ Eco Centre

PLAN The native PLANTS

- ✿ Learn to draw a planting plan to scale
- ✿ Choose the right natives for your place
- ✿ Workshop lead by local experts:

Arowhenua Native Plant Nursery
Landscape Architect; Kirsten Wilson
Biodiversity Facilitator; Chris Konings

Saturday 6th July 2 - 4pm, The Eco Centre, 55c Redruth St, Timaru

\$25 Bookings Essential
Book online before 3rd July
or email ibdfacilitator@gmail.com

New Zealand Football

MILO Fantails West End AFC Timaru

Thursday 25th July (8 Weeks)
4.30pm - 5.30pm,
West End Park
Fantails Registration
Contact: westendsoccer.rego@gmail.com

Southern Football

WEST END SOCCER CLUB

SCAN ME

Learn to Play a Brass instrument!

What Does the Timaru Concert Brass offer?

- Brass tuition for any age and ability
- Fun and friendly environment
- An opportunity to make life-long friendships
- Opportunity to attend Canterbury junior band camps as well as regional and national representative bands
- Learn to play, perform and inspire with music

Concert Brass rehearsal: Sunday, 5.00pm – 6.00pm

Lessons: Tuesday afternoons/early evenings during school term, Timaru Band Room.

Fees and Contact Details

Please refer to the website for information about fees for Membership, Lessons and Instrument Hire.

Email: secretary@timarubrass.co.nz

Phone: John Wise, President, AETB. ph 021 313 380

Physical Address: 10 North Street, Timaru



www.timarubrass.co.nz



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Future-proofing: What it takes to grow great adults

Come join Real Parents Director, Anna Mowat to talk what it takes to build a strong, connected relationship with your kids while identifying your key parenting style and whether this is supporting your kids best!



ONLINE

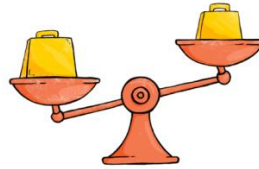
Thursday 4th of July
7 - 8.30pm

Bookings essential:
<https://events.humanitix.com/future-proofing>

real parents

Work-life balance myths and realities

Come join social worker, Juliet to talk all the ways we can balance and manage the chaos that comes with being busy parents!



Online, Wednesday 7th of August
7:30 - 9:00 pm with Q&A

Bookings essential:
<https://events.humanitix.com/work-life-balance>

Only \$18!

real parents

**SOUTH CANTERBURY
ECO CENTRE**
Te Pokapu Taiāo o Aoraki

SUSTAINABILITY FESTIVAL

9th - 10th November 2024

Saturday: Workshops and Quiz night
Sunday: Fair and Junk to Funk competition

Looking for workshop hosts,
fair exhibitors and volunteers

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ecocentrefriends@gmail.com

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JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Venue: Queen Margaret's College, Thorndon

Dates: 8th - 11th July & 15th - 18th July

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