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Three of our Senior children - Sam, Charli and Sienna competed in the recent South Zone Athletics Sports and all three did very well. Due to their successful results, Charli qualified for Shotput and Long Jump, and Sienna in the 60m sprints at the Otago Champs held on Tuesday. Charli finished 11th in Shotput and 13th in Long Jump, with Sienna coming 5th in her heat.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora

What a week of lovely weather! Lets hope it extends to the weekend! Last week we were treated to a wonderful assembly hosted by Ruma Ruru. They shared photos from their Year 5 Activity Week, as well as a wealth of other learning they have undertaken. This week the assembly is hosted by Rooms 2 and 3 starting at 2:10pm sharp. As I will be accompanying Mr Fry and the Year 5 students on a rafting trip, I won't be in attendance at this assembly. In my absence. Helen Day and Steph Woodley will present Jess Murrihy with a farewell gift as she has resigned from our school to take up a position in 2018 with youth on the Taieri.

The Year 6 students also have their 'Orange Day' tomorrow. This is an event organised by the Police to thank all of the students who have been involved in School Road Patrols throughout the Dunedin Area. They will be travelling to Moana Pool and enjoying all of the facilities there. I think it is timely to thank all of the Year 6 students as they have taken this role very seriously with a lot of responsibility. I would also like to thank the parents who have supported the students at the Larnach Road Crossing.

I attended the last PTA meeting of the year last night. We are so lucky to have such a dedicated group of parents who have raised an amazing amount for our school, not only from the Fair, but also all of the other lucrative endeavours. Their support to the school is very much appreciated and I would like to thank the Executive and the PTA for their continued support to the school.

Next week will be exciting with the Chinese Immersion Day being organised and run by the Mandarin Enrichment Group. This is being held on Thursday 30 November and there is an array of exciting and interesting activities organised.

I would like to congratulate Charli and Sienna for qualifying, and representing our school at the Otago Athletics Championships on Tuesday. They both did so well and were amazing ambassadors for our school.

Hei kona mai I roto I ngā mihi, Goodbye for now and thanks.

GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL

YEAR 3'S WORKING TOGETHER

BEGINNING OUR LANDSCAPE PAINTINGS.

HIGH JUMP AND LONG JUMP FOR ATHLETICS.

MATHS TOGETHER.

INVESTIGATING THE TEMPERATURE OF THE PLAYGROUND.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LILY

who, last Friday, was awarded a Certificate for Outstanding Achievement in the Chinese programme in a special ceremony held at Columba College.
She has been part of our Mandarin Enrichment Group for the past two years, and is photographed here with our Mandarin Learning Assistant, Jo.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Proofs of class, individual and family photos went home with the children last week!

Along with the photos is a detailed letter outlining payment options. Please make sure you read carefully and follow the instructions. An online payment option to Heritage Productions is available but you must return the envelope with the small photo proof attached to ensure your order goes through correctly. No EFTPOS payments as all payments go directly to Heritage. Cut off for orders is 12noon, this Tuesday 28 November to allow photos to be back by the end of the school year. There will definitely be no late orders!

PLAYERS OF THE DAY

Futsal

Sparks - Nathan Gu
Stars - Katie Murphie
Hurricanes - Monika Iida
Tigers - Jessica Reid
Dragons - Ashton la Hood
Warriors - Jeremy Frei
Magic - Cole Brown
Pirates - Nicholas Reid
Aces - Jamila Fraser
Bears - Srinath Bhai
Flames - Sam Stoddart
Flames - Ethan Hudson (14/11)
Comets - Finn Molloy
Dolphins - Adam Baikie

Tee Ball

Dodgers - Anson Fung

Rippa Rugby

Green - Charlie Stevenson
Yellow -Lily Bulmer

SPORTS DRAWS

Touch Rugby - today

Falcons vs, StBernies Raiders, Oval 5A @ 3.45pm
Keas vs Concord Blue, Oval 8B @ 3.45pm
Hawks vs St Brigids, Oval 2 @ 4.15pm
Please do not park on the grass at the Oval.

Tee Ball - Saturday 25 November
Giants vs Kaikorai Tui, Bathgate 13 @ 9.00am
Dodgers vs Cardinal Tuis, Bathgate 9 @ 10.00am
Slammers vs Kaikorai Kakapo, Bathgate 1 @ 9.00am
For cancellations, please list to MORE FM in the mornings or phone the cancellation line 471 7555.

SCHOLASTIC

Closing Date for Scholastic Book Club Issue 8 brochures is tomorrow, Friday 24 November.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Fri 24 Nov - Rooms 2 & 3 Assembly
- Mon 27 Nov - BOT Charter Meeting
- Tues 28 Nov - Kindy/Juniors/PALS Sports event
- Fri 1 Dec - Talent Quest Finals, 1.30pm
- Mon 4 - Thur 7 Dec - Juniors/Middle Swimming
- Fri 8 Dec - Enrichment Groups Assembly, 1.30pm
- Mon 11 - Thurs 14 Dec - Juniors/Middle Swimming
- Fri 8 Dec - Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle
- Mon 11 Dec - Reports home
- Friday 15 Dec - Leavers Assembly, 11.30am
- Bayfield High School
- last day of school, 2017

First Day at school for 2018 - Tuesday, 30 January

School Docs - Policy Review - Term 4, 2017

There are no policies to be reviewed by the community this term. However, if you wanted to read our policies, these can be found by following the instructions below:

Visit the website - http://grantsbraes.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm
Enter the username (grantsbraes) and password (gbparents).
Follow the link to the relevant Policy as listed.
Read the Policy.
Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
Select the reviewer type "Parent".
Enter your name (optional).
Submit your ratings and comments.
If you don't have internet access, School Office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review

CHINESE IMMERSION DAY

Next Thursday 30 November

A letter with food order details for next Thursday's Chinese Immersion Day was sent home on Tuesday with all children.

The close off for orders is definitely 9am, next Tuesday 28 November as our orders need to be in.

A lot of organisation has gone into making this day successful, and we are all looking forward to it very much.

ENRICHMENT GROUPS INFORMATION

* Ceramic Art Group- 'James and the Giant Peach Exhibition' Friday 1st December, 6.00pm Macandrew Bay Hall

* Enrichment/Extension Groups Assembly, Friday 8th December - 1.30pm Opening of the Chill Out Zone (Technology Group) with other group items to follow at 2.00pm

There is a limited number of these fantastic **Truffle Mix** jars still available for sale!

They are **$8 each, or 3 for $20** and make great Christmas pressies for teachers, neighbours, grandparents, friends or in fact 'anyone'!!!!

Pop in to the office to buy - **cash only please** as this is a PTA fundraiser.

First In * First Served *
Once they are gone, they're gone!!!

NEEDED BY OUR SENIOR CLASSES?

1.5L and 2L soft drink bottles, ice cream containers, buttons, little stones (for fairy gardens), small raisin type boxes and any white or light coloured flowers (to dye). Please drop in to any of the senior rooms ASAP. They will be needing these things for the next two weeks so would love your donations. Thanks in advance!