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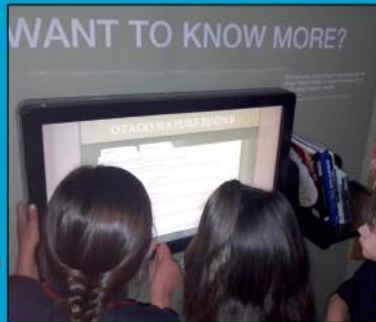
## WELCOME TO

## Ruby and Maisie

who started in Room 2 this week.  
Ruby joins her elder sister Frankie here at school.



## SENIOR MUSEUM VISIT



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

*Kia Ora*

Wow, we are officially in winter and the days certainly are noticeably short at the moment. What is reassuring is that there is only 13 more days to the shortest day of the year! I hope you all had a wonderful long weekend and spent valuable time with friends and family.

There are many areas within our school that become very slippery in wet or frosty conditions. A new area is the ramp and decking outside the junior classrooms. This is a current hazard and I urge children and parents to take care on these surfaces as we have already had a number of people slipping over. The ramp is currently roped off and there are cones put out on the most slippery parts. The BoT has now accepted a quote to lay outdoor carpet on these areas to reduce and minimise the hazard and this will be laid on Saturday week. Until then, please take care walking on these areas, especially when they are wet or there is a frost.

Our third year students have either started, or are preparing for, a period of full control in their respective classrooms. I know they have been working very hard to prepare for this and I'm sure they will have a very successful posting.

Whilst it is short week, there has been a lot going on! The senior school have visited the Otago Museum to find out more about their Natural Disasters inquiry topic. The PTA held their meeting last night and reviewed past successful initiatives along with planning for their forthcoming fundraising ventures. Last Friday, the school was treated to a fantastic assembly hosted by Ruma Toroa. Tomorrow's assembly starts at 2:15pm sharp and is hosted by Room 1. I look forward to seeing you there.

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

**GARETH TAYLOR, PRINCIPAL**



On Friday the 2nd of June, Room 5 went for a trip to the Otago Museum to further our learning of natural disasters and the affects they have on our land. Kate, our education advisor, lead us through the Star Lab where we learnt more about placement of tectonic plates in relation to New Zealand. We also looked at volcanos around the world and how to identify them on a geographic map. We all had a chance to participate in hands on experiments that related to our topic.



## SPORTS DRAWS

### Miniball - Today, Thursday 8 June

**All Stars vs St Leonard Hoops, Court 4 @ 4.15pm**  
**Hotshots vs Halfway Bush Pacers, Court 3 @ 5.25pm**  
**Warriors vs Columba Giants, Court 6B @ 4.50pm**  
**Rockets vs Mornington Yellow, Court 7B @ 3.40pm**

### Netball : Monday, 12 June

**Steel vs St Clair Swifts, Bayfield 1 @ 4.15pm**  
**Swifts vs Mac Bay Penguins, Bayfield 3 @ 4.15pm**

### Netball : Tuesday, 13 June

**Mystics vs St Bernies Shooters, EC12 @ 3.45pm**  
**Magic vs St Peter Chanel Gold, EC13 @ 5.15pm**

**Rebels vs St Joes Pulse, EC16 @ 3.45pm**

## PLAYERS OF THE DAY

Netball Player of the Day  
Rebels - Jayde Olsen

Hockey Player of the Day  
Ashton la Hood

## SCHOLASTIC

Scholastic Book Club Issue 4 brochures went home with the children last week. Closing Date for orders is Friday 23 June.

## ROOM 5 NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE..... "WANTED"

If you have any of the below items. please drop them in to Mrs McAuley in Room 5.

- \* Clean grocery item containers such as cereal boxes, empty jars, tins.....things that you would use to set up a shop.
- \* Plastic fruit, New World play food etc
- \* Junk mail - shopping catalogues, grocery brochures - suitable for children to cut pictures and prices out of
- \* Toy cars
- \* Ice cream containers, muffin tins, sets of containers that are the same and that would be suitable for children to sort counting objects in.

## EASY LUNCHES

These continue to be available for ordering on Wednesdays. Prices for these (as follows) -

\$6.00 - large lunch

\$5.00 - small lunch

These lunches have a spaghetti and cheese toast bun, muffin, popcorn, small dessert and a piece of fruit. Large lunches have two buns.

## PROFESSIONAL, CERTIFIED AND ACCREDITED CARPET SPOT REMOVER

Our PTA's current Fundraiser is the sale of this great product @ only \$25.00 per can. **ALSO, every can purchased gains a ticket into a draw to win \$150 of services from ChemDry or Pure Services. The winner will be announced in the newsletter dated 22 June.**

Professional Strength Spot Remover is an effective carpet stain removal solution which is able to tackle most water based stains and some light oil based stains. This product can be used on stained carpets, upholstery and fabrics.

This unique Chem-Dry® product is available in a great value 570 ml can. This product has a spray nozzle to ensure users can direct the jet at the source of the carpet stain or upholstery stain.

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Accredited under Chem-Dry®'s Green Certified Programme, therefore it is safe for humans and animals.

**Order forms went home with 'eldest' children on Tuesday, and orders and payment are required back at school by Friday 16 June. Collection date is Friday 30 June.**



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri 9 June - Room 1 Assembly, 2.10pm

Fri 16 June - Room 2 Assembly, 2.10pm

- Muffi, Sausage Sizzle & Popcorn

Fri 23 June - Juniors to Fundamental Fun Day

- Room 3 Assembly, 2.10pm

Fri 30 June - Room 7 Assembly, 2.10pm

Fri 7 July - Muffi, Sausage Sizzle & Popcorn

- last day of term

Mon 24 July - First day of Term 3

*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

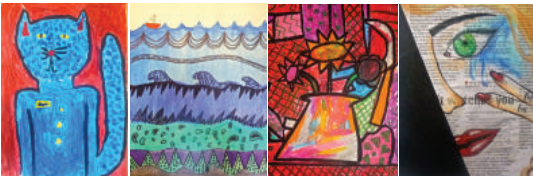
16th September to 1st October

### 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.

Otago Art Society



Enquiries to the Administrator  
Otago Art Society  
Phone (03) 477 9465  
Email: [otagoartsociety@extra.co.nz](mailto:otagoartsociety@extra.co.nz)

## PTA UPDATE

### Sausage Sizzle, Popcorn and Mufti Day next Friday 16th June

Forms are going home with the children today  
**Mufti Day donation** : Please bring a **non-perishable** grocery or household item that can be used for hampers for our Fair. **Please ensure that grocery items do not expire until 2018.** Thanks.

There are currently not enough helpers on the list for serving the sausages and making and serving the popcorn next Friday. If you can help, please contact Susan Baikie on 027 3202770.



## KIDS CROSS COUNTRY SERIES

Sunday 28 May  
Logan Park

Sunday 2 July  
Chingford Park

Sunday 18 June  
Corstorphine Park

Sunday 6 August  
Memorial Park, Mosgiel

Sunday 27 August  
Rotary Park

Time: 9.30am (pick up race numbers)

Cost: \$7.50 (per race)  
or \$30.00 for all five.

To register and for further information, visit:

[www.athleticsotago.co.nz](http://www.athleticsotago.co.nz)



## Fun Sticks

A fun 10-week hockey and fundamental movement skills program for Yr 1 & 2 players!

2nd and last intake  
Term 3: Mondays 3:30-4:30 or Saturdays 9-10am

Where:  
Logan Park High School Gymnasium

\$50 per person (includes a tee shirt)

Register at: [www.o.h.a.org.nz/2017funstick](http://www.o.h.a.org.nz/2017funstick)

For more information see our website: [www.o.h.a.org.nz](http://www.o.h.a.org.nz)  
or see the registration link above



## Relaxation for MUMS

relax

4-week Relaxation Course beginning  
MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> July

TWO OPTIONS for busy mums

Mornings 9.30-11am or Evenings 7.00-8.30pm

The course includes practicing gratitude, mindful listening, art, deep breathing and massage, nature visualisations, guided meditations, games and much more!

Only \$65 per person OR 2 for \$90 EARLYBIRD special (paid by 14<sup>th</sup> June).

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