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# Newsletter

## April 6 2018

### From the Desk of the Principal

Kia Ora Koutou Sara Cohen Whanau,

It's been great to see the students and teachers back from a lovely Easter break, rested and re-energised. I hope everyone enjoyed the 'hustle and bustle' of Ed Sheeran and also are relieved to see Dunedin return to normality.

Just a couple of notices this week. We are constructing our Education Brief. This document will be the basis from which the Ministry of Education will make its decisions for our new build. As part of that, they want information about our school's key stakeholders (students and caregivers, Teachers, Board and management). You will receive the below message through a variety of media. Please complete and get the information back to me.

*Dear Parents and Caregivers*

*As part of our Education Brief that Matthew, the Board of Trustees and Staff are working on towards the aim of a rebuild of Sara Cohen School, we have 6 questions that we would really appreciate if you could take five minutes to answer, I will be sending you 2 questions every second day to answer. You can send your replies back via your child's seesaw app or via email [principal@saracohen.school.nz](mailto:principal@saracohen.school.nz)*

#### Question 1

*How does Sara Cohen School welcome all learners and makes sure their transition into school is smooth and well planned.*

#### Question 2

*What are the way Sara Cohen School has for identifying learners with special education needs and their strengths?*

*Your feedback is valuable and will help with future plans for Sara Cohen School. Thank you for taking the time to help us!*

*Kind regards*

**Sharon Oliver**

**BOT Chairperson**



Also we have had **headlice** reported within the school. Can all parents please be vigilant and check through your child's hair.

Nga Mihi Nui

Matthew

### **ABSENCES - ALL CLASSES:**

Ph 455 0347-1 absence line or text 027 3538 244 to the office before 8.45am.

Please leave your student's name and a reason for the absence.

### **WHAT'S COMING UP . . .**

Apr 12 Show Your True Colours  
Sports day at Kew Park.  
Whole School

Apr 13 Last day of term 1

#### **TERM 2**

Apr 30 Start of term 2

Jun 4 Queen's Birthday

July 6 Last Day Term 2

### **Rotary Club of Dunedin's Circus Quirkus Tickets for 10th May 2018**

If you have ordered tickets these are being printed and will be sent out to us within the next 2 weeks. They will be sent home as soon as received, this may be early next term.

#### **Saving the Planet**

In order to save paper and trees newsletters will be emailed, except for those who do not have access to the internet. If you know of anyone who would like to receive our newsletter by email, please let us know.

**Enjoy the Holiday  
Break  
Term 2 starts  
Monday April 30<sup>th</sup>.**

## Rata News

We have enjoyed the process of cooking especially making pikelets, over the last few weeks. Some students enjoyed eating the pikelets and some students are learning to enjoy eating them.

The class continues to appreciate the outings in the vans to explore Dunedin, visit playgrounds or go for walks. We also visited the Art Gallery to look at and create 'New Zealand' art. Students have also produced Art work at school including Easter egg shapes.



Jordan helping with the baking rice bubble cakes

Adam at the Education Space in the Art Gallery.



Jayden and Nathan looking at places round Dunedin on Google Maps.



# Show Your True Colours

## Sports Day

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of April we are going to hold our first Sara Cohen *Show Your True Colours* Sports day. This is an event where the focus is on participation and fun.

At 10:30 Base and Satellite classes will meet at Kew Park, where the children will meet their team mates and take part in a Colour Parade around the park. Next the children will compete in a range of fun athlete events.

At the end of the events there will be a small prize giving followed by a picnic in the park and sausage sizzle. Family and friends are welcome to come along.

Your child will need to bring a sunhat, packed lunch, water bottle and dress in their team colours. On Monday and Tuesday orders will be collected for the sausage sizzle, \$2 per sausage and \$1 ice blocks.

If it is wet on Thursday the postponement day will be Friday.

Thank you for your support.

Kelly

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### Sausage Sizzle Order Form

Name:

Class:

Sausages \$2	Quantity	Amount \$
Ice Blocks \$1	Quantity	Amount \$

*Please enclose the correct amount ☺*