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From the Desk of the Deputy Principal

Kia ora Parents & Caregivers,

It has been great having this spring weather. It allows for our outdoor education, community programmes and activities to continue. It also allows for our students to be outside during breaks, enjoying the fresh air, interacting with their friends from other classes and allows them to shoot basketball hoops, scooter and trampoline.

Although we have recently had less staff and students absent due to Covid, absences in recent weeks have at times been high due to other illnesses, colds and flu. We ask that parents and caregivers please keep students at home if they are unwell. We have had two classes hit hard with illnesses last week as the bugs spread through the classes. With the staff and student absences, we shuffle staff around to cover in other classes when necessary each day. The sooner we know of student absences, the quicker we can get staff transferred and in place. Please notify school as early as possible of student absences each day. Ring school and leave a message.

The term has flown by and it is hard to believe that we only have three weeks left for the term. Like all weeks, they will be very busy weeks with plenty of interesting activities and events happening. Last week we had a group of students attend the Braithwaite Centre performance at Kaikorai Valley College. The students enjoyed watching the show and joining in with the crowd participation pieces.

Wednesday afternoon sport provides an opportunity for our senior students to join in with students from other secondary schools in a variety of sports activities. During winter term the sports skills covered have included basketball, touch rugby and football at the Edgar Centre.

Next term the sports focus will be on summer sports and this will usually happen at Bayfield Park.

Regards

Ben Sincock
Deputy Principal

WANTED TO RENT URGENTLY – 2-3-bedroom house with a fenced section if possible. Please contact Justine in the Office if you can help.

ABSENCES – Please let the school know by either text to the class phone or leave a message on the office answerphone as soon as you know your child will not be coming into school the following day. This really helps us with staffing if we know what students are away before 9am. Thank you for your support with this.

GO BUS & ABSENCES – If your child is absent you need to contact Go Bus on 0800 846364 or contact the driver directly.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – Issue 6 closes Thursday 15th September please send all orders to the Office. Thank you for your support.

Term Dates 2022

Term 3: Monday 25th July – Friday 30th
September

Term 4: Monday 17th October – Wednesday 14th
December

Care Matters Workshop

Current, relevant, practical information for family, whanau and carers of children and adults with disabilities.

Dunedin

FREE WORKSHOP

Date: Tues, 20 September
Time: 9.30am – 2.30pm

Venue confirmed on registration

Lunch provided

Facilitators with lived experience

EXPLORE – LEARN – CONNECT

We aim to ensure workshops meet local interests and needs.

Topics many carers have requested at previous workshops include:

- Understanding Funding
- Managing Stress
- Effective communication
- Enabling Good Lives and Planning for the Future

Please fill out the

[registration form](#) or contact us on:

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