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# Newsletter

## 15 March 2023 Newsletter No 4

Tena koutou katoa

Last week I had the privilege of attending the Year 5/6 camp to Woodend. For most children it was their first school camp, and it was fantastic to see the children having lots of fun and challenging themselves in a variety of ways. Thank you again to the staff and parents that organised and helped on camp.

Tomorrow school will be closed due to strike action. Teaching staff will be participating with other teachers and principals from around South Canterbury in a march through Timaru. We are hopeful that this action will result in progress towards a suitable resolution, and we can avoid having to take industrial action again as we are aware how disruptive a strike is. The strike is more than just about a pay increase, it is about creating the conditions in schools to retain teachers and provide the best learning environments for our children. There will be no staff on site to supervise children.

Next Wednesday we have an open hour between 11:30am-12:30pm. This is an opportunity for you to see your child working in class. We look forward to seeing you.

The school fun run that was planned to be on the last day of the term has been postponed due to the difficulty sourcing the materials needed to run it. It will now be held in Term 4.

Regards  
Richard



### STRIKE ACTION – SCHOOL CLOSED

A reminder that School will be closed tomorrow, Thursday 16th March, due to teachers and principals taking industrial (strike) action.

We regret the inconvenience this strike action will have on you.

### COIN TRAIL FUNDRAISER

On Friday 3rd March we held a coin trail to support the communities that have been affected by Cyclone Gabrielle. We raised an amazing \$639.60 for Red Cross.



### SCHOOL LUNCHES

In coming weeks, we are looking at trialing Fish Burgers for a new option for school lunches. As we have not previously had fish on the menu, can you please let the office know if your child has an allergy to fish/seafood.

### OPEN HOUR

On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March our school is holding an Open Hour. This will run from 11.30am-12.30pm. You are welcome to visit classrooms in the school to see what each class is doing and how our programmes run at Grantlea Downs School. This also gives you a chance to look inside our classrooms and see the environment where your children do their learning. If you would like to bring your lunch along, you are welcome to sit with your child to eat lunch. This will also give you an opportunity to look at the wonderful food that the children are being supplied with.

We look forward to seeing you all.

### CAROLINE BAY ROCK AND HOP

On Friday we are looking forward to welcoming the participants of the Hospice Caroline Bay Rock and Hop Cruise, as they pass Grants Road on their way to Geraldine and surrounding areas.





## LOST PROPERTY

We have a large amount of lost property, a lot of which is from the recent camps. Please collect from the office if it is yours.



## Principals Awards, Class Awards and Values Champions

### Principals Awards

Week 2 - Chase Reweti, James Willmott, Mason

Fitzgerald, Brylee Taylor

Week 4 - Spencer Bell, Mckenzie Rogers, Romeo

Yerbury, Fynn Jackson

Week 6 - Finn McAuliffe, Theo Armstrong, Charlie

Palmer -

### Class Awards - Week 5

Tyler Ferguson, Pascoe Smillie, Antonio De Jesus,

Ashton Wentworth-Smith, Ava Maraku, Brooklyn

Quine-Mannix, Morgan Palmer

### Values Champions – Week 6

Maddison Valentine, Sage Fish-Jackson, Ayune

Greenfield, Livi Gilmour, Tawhirimatea Whyte, Hazel

McGlinchy, Ava Lambert, Ruby MacGregor, Chloe

Holden, Xanthe Stevenson, Nubian Salwy, Kyson Taylor

## EMERGENCY CONTACT LISTS

Please return your checked and updated Emergency Contact List to the school office asap. These were given out at the Goal Setting Conferences and ensure we have the correct contact details if required.

## SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS – Yr 5-8

The swimming Sports are being held next Thursday 23 March. A notice has been posted on Hero and a paper copy was sent home yesterday. There are some proposed changes this year, so it is important the Google Form is filled out online or the paper copy returned by tomorrow please. The link to the Google Form is

<https://forms.gle/9CD1bXpS2sjKzrmY8>

Parent help is also required.





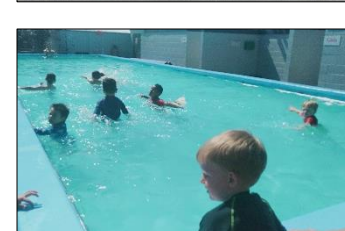
# Grantlea Downs Triathlon – 2023 – Results

Event		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
<b>Year 7/8 Individual</b>	<b>Girls</b>	Morgan Palmer	Maddie Butt Bain	Alyssa Maraku	Annabelle Gilmour	Lily Upston	Phoebe Kiddey
	<b>Boys</b>	Jack Ryan	Oscar Bennett	Jesse Agnew	Farhin Faris	Liam Cunningham	Carter Brown
<b>Year 5/6 Individual</b>	<b>Girls</b>	Scoutt Tee	Greer Hurst	Ava Maraku	Keeva Fitzgerald	Hannah Kavanaugh	Ruby MacGregor
	<b>Boys</b>	Jaxon Wickenden	Oliver Brown-Innes	Jax Rolton	TJ Kotua-Tekoronga	Vann Agnew	Henry Thomas
<b>Year 4 Individual</b>	<b>Girls</b>	Abby Thornton	Sophie Flannery	Neaka Morris	Harper McIntyre	Marina De Jesus	McKenzee Rogers
	<b>Boys</b>	Ashton Wentworth Smith	Blake Rolton	Joseph Hoffman Cook	Axle Ramsey-Turner	Tawhirimatea Whyte	Leroy Johnston
<b>Year 3 Individual</b>	<b>Girls</b>	Aria Henry	Bailee Armstrong	LM	Sophie Reweti	Ella Lindsay	Sahara Kleinow
	<b>Boys</b>	Kayden Young	Aiden Scott	Wiremu Kotua-Tekoronga	Luka Pratley	Theo Armstrong	Henry Morris
<b>Year 2 Individual</b>	<b>Girls</b>	Nina Richards	Harla Brinsdon	Manvi Maneesh	Charlie Dunnage	Hailee Woods	Ksenia Streltsova
	<b>Boys</b>	Luke MacGregor	Antonio De Jesus	Spencer Bell	Ciaran Campbell	Morris Kennerley	Akulan Ashwinkumar
<b>Year 0/1 Individual</b>	<b>Girls</b>	Vanessa Yorston	Charlee Woods	Te Aika Reihana	Addison Fox	Maliyah Kleinow	Avahlee Quine-Mannix
	<b>Boys</b>	Chase Reweti	Carter Halkett	Loki Vakalala	Ayson Kannemeyer	Theo McCarthy	JJ McCarthy Wederell

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the team and individual events. We were so proud of everyone's attitude and effort!

Thanks,

Teaching Staff 😊





# COMMUNITY NOTICES




**SUNDAY  
02 APR  
2023  
WAIMATE**

**RUN IT · WALK IT · BIKE IT**

**5 EVENTS TO CHOOSE FROM  
- GO BIG OR GO EASY:**  
Mountainbiking, running, walking categories for all ages and abilities; from serious competitor to the Sunday stroller.

whitehorsebigeasy.co.nz  /WhitehorseBigEasy

## ⚽⚽⚽ Northern Hearts Football 2023

### Registrations

If your child is keen to play football for Northern Hearts, this season you can find all the details on our Facebook page - Northern Hearts AFC Juniors - or contact us on nheartsjuniors@hotmail.com. Ages 5/6yrs (this includes 5year olds turning 6yrs this year) to 13yrs. (Birth year from 2010 - 2018)

Registrations need to be completed by the Wednesday 22nd of March.



# Holiday Programme

**11 - 14 April and 17 - 21 April**  
MSD-Approved. Work & Income  
OSCAR Subsidy available!



**skids Waimataitai School Hall**  
25 Trafalgar Street  
Timaru

**Prices**  
Half Day AM (8am - 1pm): \$30  
School Day (8am - 3pm): \$42  
Full Day (8am - 6pm): \$50  
Half Day PM (1pm - 6pm): \$30  
Trip Day: \$55

**Book now at [skids.co.nz/waimataitai](https://skids.co.nz/waimataitai)**  
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### Week 1

Monday 10th	Tuesday 11th	Wednesday 12th	Thursday 13th	Friday 14th
<b>EASTER MONDAY</b>	<b>EASTER FUN</b>	<b>T-SHIRT DESIGNING</b>	<b>TRIP DAY: GREEN SPACE</b>	<b>CALLIGRAPHY ART</b>
PUBLIC HOLIDAY  CLOSED.	Easter extended... We will carry on the fun you have had over Easter with more fun activities today.	Make your best design and we will put it onto a T-shirt. Lots of different ways to create your designs.	Are you good at exploring? If so come along and explore with us today, and see what we will find.	It's not all about letters, there is lots of different ways to create with calligraphy.
				

### Week 2

Monday 17th	Tuesday 18th	Wednesday 19th	Thursday 20th	Friday 21st
<b>PLAYING PIRATES</b>	<b>ON-SITE TRIP DAY: VISITING ARTIST</b>	<b>SAMOA DAY</b>	<b>SHRINKING CREATIONS</b>	<b>PRESENTS FOR PETS</b>
Come and sail the seven seas with us for the days. Be the best pirates that you can be. Arrrr!	Biscuit club is BACK! Our artist is the best decorator and wants to share her skills with you all today. YUMMY!	We have a new staff member who wants to share her culture, so come along and meet her and have fun.	It's like magic!! Make something go from big to small with a little heat. Wow how does that happen come and see.	Whether it's a pet cat, a parrot or your favourite soft toy. Today you will make a special gift for them.
				
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