



# Newsletter

## 22 August 2018 Newsletter No 14

Tena Koutou Parents and Friends

Congratulations to our Kapa Haka Group who did us all proud with their excellent performance last Friday at KA TOI MĀORI O AORAKI – FLAVA. This is such a great event and a wonderful celebration of Māori Culture. The festival supports education settings to promote an understanding of Te Ao Māori and Te Reo Māori. Thank you to Mrs Ange Hide and Ms Sharleen Hole for all the hard work they put in preparing the students for this event.



Last week we entered a number of pieces of artwork selected from around the school in the Artarama Competition. We picked up three winning places this year including the Supreme Award for the After School Art Class - 'Birds of a Feather'. Fantastic effort and congratulations to Room 7 for their 'Happy Days' bottle top whale sculpture, and Eli McLaughlin for his piece 'The Clown'.



A reminder that children are expected to be wearing the correct uniform, at all times. The Board of Trustees are currently reviewing our policy to ensure it meets the needs of our families. One thing that has come up is sock colour. We are aware that navy blue ankle socks are not always easy to come by so the BOT will allow black ankle socks as a suitable substitute. The preference is still navy blue where possible. The substitution applies to ankle socks only.

Our Wellbeing focus for this fortnight is 'Give – Tuku' - your time – te wā ki a koe, your words – ō kupu, your presence – ko koe tonu.

Nga mihi nui  
 Collette Sandilands



It feels good to give to others and it can just be as simple as a smile or a compliment – a smile or a compliment goes a long way to making others feel good. Donate old toys, books, sports equipment, clothes etc to a local charity. Offer to help an older neighbour with their wheelie bins on rubbish/recycling days.

### NEW STUDENTS

We welcome the following students and their families to Grantlea Downs in the last fortnight: Sophia Hindman and Xavier Barrett.

### BASKETBALL YR 3,4 and Yr5,6

Notices are out now for this year's Yr 3 & 4 and Yr 5 & 6 basketball competition. If your child missed getting a notice please see Mrs Ford in Room 6 for Yr 3 & 4 or Mrs White in Room 15 for Yr 5 & 6.

## **BOT News**

The following policies are under review this term that requires parent/school community consultation.

### **Behaviour Management Complaints**

1. Visit the website <http://grantleadowns.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the **username (grantleadowns)** and **password (grantsroad)**.
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. 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 form.

All school policies can be viewed on the website link above.

### ***VISITING AUTHOR – MR GLYN HARPER***

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August we were very pleased to welcome children's author Glyn Harper to school. Glyn is a retired Lieutenant Colonel and is currently Professor of War studies at Massey University.



The children from Waipopo, Acacia and Kereta syndicates enjoyed the afternoon sessions. It was very interesting, hearing how the stories were illustrated and Glyn's writing process. He spoke about his picture books, which focus on the events of World War 1 and cover many different areas. Although his books are works of fiction they are all inspired by true events and real people. The afternoon finished with an enthusiastic question and answer session from the children.

Glyn was able to visit a number of schools in Timaru thanks to the Pleasant Point Lions who donated towards his costs.

### ***Jeans Only Mufti Day***

Our Jeans Only Mufti day held in support of Hospice SC on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August raised \$306.00. Thank you for your donations.

### **PARENT/STUDENT/TEACHER GOAL SETTING**

#### **CONFERENCE - WEEK 7, TERM 3**

**THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 12.50PM – 7.30PM**  
**INCLUSIVE**

#### **ADVANCED WARNING**

**SCHOOL WILL BE FINISHING AT**  
**12PM FOR STUDENTS ON THIS DAY**

**Bookings will be open from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August.** It is expected that each family will attend. If a booking is not made a time will be allocated to you. If you do not have internet access you can book at the school office. A reminder on how to book in for an interview time by following the steps below.

#### **ON-LINE BOOKING SYSTEM**

**STEP 1** Go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) Click on **MAKE A BOOKING**

**STEP 2** Enter in the following code where it says "Parents School Event Code" **4x5n3**

**STEP 3** Type in your name, then your child's name (if you have more than one child at school use the drop down box so more 'Student's Name' lines appear. Also type in your email address (this is so a confirmation of your interview booking can be sent back to you. Press **GO**

**STEP 4** Choose your child's teacher from the drop down list. Press **GO**

**STEP 5** Choose the times you would like to see each teacher then press **GO**. The time you have booked for each student will appear. Once you have finished press 'Finish' then an email will be sent to confirm your parent interview booking. If you have preferred times we suggest you book early.

### ***CAMP FEES AND CAMP FEE ASSISTANCE – Year 5, 6, 7 & 8***

This is an advance notice that payment for camps will need to be received by the school office **no later than Friday 26<sup>th</sup>**

**October for Year 7 & 8's and Friday 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**November Year 5 & 6's.**



Please contact Mrs Sandilands or Mrs Willocks in the office if you would like help with your child's/children's camp costs, as we have access to limited community trust funds that are given to the school that must be used for this purpose. **The earlier you contact us the easier we can plan to help the most families. Please contact us asap.**

If you have had this assistance in the past **this does not mean you are automatically registered for assistance this year,** therefore contacting the office is essential.

## TREEmendous Behaviour Values Draw Winners

Below are the recipients of the TREEmendous Behaviour Values draw. Children are given a green card when they are observed showing actions in line with our school values

TREEmendous Behaviour	
Name: _____	Room: _____
Was Caught In the Act showing:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Respect	by _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellence	
<input type="checkbox"/> Responsibility	
<input type="checkbox"/> Honesty	
<input type="checkbox"/> Independence	
Jellicoe _____	Evans _____
Grant _____	Gould _____
Issued by: _____	Date: _____

### Week 3 - Term 3

Winning House: Gould  
Keanu – Rm 15  
Pippa – Rm 11  
Hunter – Rm 7  
Liam – Rm 10  
Pyper – Rm 5

### Week 4 – Term 3

Winning House: Gould  
Faliqh – Rm 9  
Dyllin – Rm 10  
Aaliyah – Rm 3  
Oscar – Rm 5  
Mason – Rm 13

## Assembly Awards

### Excellent Effort – Week 3 Term 3

Jacob Bramley, Scoutt Tee, Cooper Nesbitt, Jaxon Cullen, Katie Allison, Emilee Wood, Cooper Kelliher, Neko Welch, Warner Phillips, Annachez Jones, Nik Wallis, Dyllin Morris, McKenzie Don, Oscar Whyte, Summer Culshaw, Rebecca Bramley, Ardia Fitzgerald, Shae Neho, Jett Davis, Caitlin Letham, Zannyx Geary, Matthew Joubert, Luke Mitchell

### Values Focus Award – Week 3 Term 3

Shyla Page, Jasmyn Cleland, Chase Thomas, Amelia Forward, Dontae Hough, Latisha Aldridge, Koda Davis, Kalo Siale, Lachie Kotua, Jayda Hull, Bailey Campbell, Caitlin Bentley, Sophie Todd

### Achievement Award – Seals of Approval – Week 3 Term 3

Scarlet Hayes, Ambrose Bryan, Nevaeh Minchington-Wallis, Kassi White, Jesse Agnew, Jess Beeby, Jack Bennett, Mikaylah Donaldson, Mikayla Ryan, Celia Stowell, Blake Parker, Niamh Motley, Ruby Allison

### Excellent Effort – Week 4 Term 3

Tara Gates, Henry Thomas, Fynn Jackson, Chase Harris, Kate Hoare, Alannah Milligan, Makea Patterson, Chelsea Nicholls, Bella Hopkinson, Hunter Morris, James Dyche, Vlad Crummer, Kaitlyn Blissett, Abby Lister, Aydan Jones, Kartya Henry, John Liu

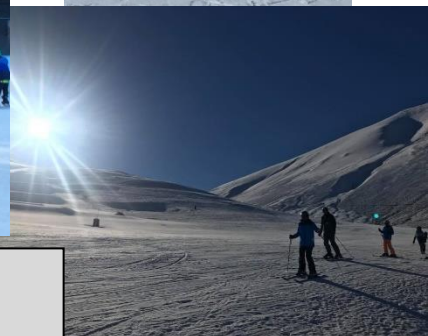
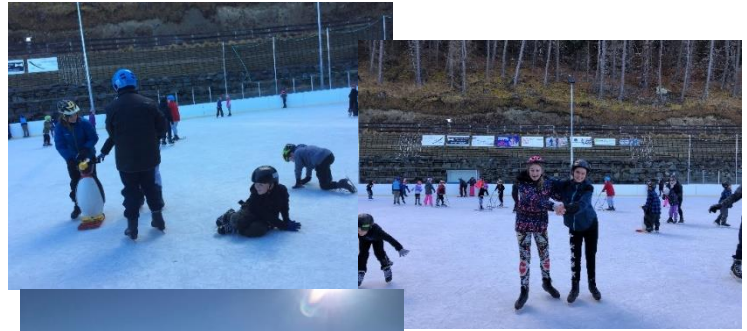
### Values Focus Award – Week 4 Term 3

Araliyah Karena-Jamison, Alissi Fagalima, Dom Esler, Izabella Simms, Kyson Taylor, Charlie Hayes, Zachary Penty, Mason Griffiths, Joe Cao, Jessica Aldridge

### Achievement Award – Seals of Approval – Week 4 Term 3

Indie Annear-Mason, Greer Hurst, Aaliyah Raukawa-Goodman, Lachie Bain, Liam Phillips, Jackson Collis, Blake Dale, Tylah Whakarau, Orla Motley, Rebecca Bramley, Charlotte Collis, Zannyx Geary, Maddox Peneamene

## SKI/SKATE DAY 2018



### LOST PROPERTY FROM SKI/SKATE DAY

Please collect from the office



## LOST PROPERTY

The jackets below have been in the lost property box since last term. Please collect from the office or they will be donated. We also currently have a large number of unnamed school polar fleeces and sweatshirts in the box. If you are missing anything, please come and check.



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

The South Canterbury Mountain Biking Club is running a kids mountain bike race this Sunday, 26 August,

Location: based around the main lake area in the Scenic Reserve, look for the MTB race signs.

Time: sign up from 12.30, race starts at 1pm.

Suitable for: ages 2-12.

Details: kids ride as many laps as they want around the track in 30mins - \$2 entry fee and every child gets a chocolate fish at the end

If you suffer from slow and choppy reading, comprehension, untidy writing, focus, concentration, fatigue and or light sensitivity please contact

Sally Mc Kerchar – qualified Irlen Screener

Email [sam101@xtra.co.nz](mailto:sam101@xtra.co.nz) or ph. (03)6939101 or (027)2224835



**FREE!**  
Beginners Tennis Coaching Sessions

**SHOT SHOTS**

2nd - 23rd September  
Starting  
Sunday 2nd September from 9:30am  
(45 Minute sessions)

**BRING A RACQUET**

4 weeks of fully subsidised coaching sessions for beginner players.  
At the Trust Aoraki Tennis Centre

**REGISTER NOW!**

Session times are dependent on the number of participants.  
Pre-registrations are essential!  
Please register by Wednesday 29th August by downloading the form  
from our website and email it to  
[coordinator@tennissouthcanterbury.co.nz](mailto:coordinator@tennissouthcanterbury.co.nz)

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