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31 March 2021 Newsletter No 5

Mufti Day Tomorrow Thursday 1 April

We are holding a mufti day tomorrow in support of Diabetes. Gold coin donation.

NEW STUDENTS

We welcome the following students and their families to our school: Tessa Fifita, Benji Batth, Mason Masters-Simelhay and Lucy Clark.



Reminder: Easter Holiday this Friday, Monday <u>AND</u> Tuesday. School resumes on Wednesday 7th April.

ALL WHEELATHON CARDS AND ANY DONATIONS, ARE NOW DUE BACK.
We still have a number of cards outstanding, these need to be returned even if no there are no donations.

WHEELATHON

Next Friday is our annual Wheelathon fundraiser. Parents are welcome to join us between 11am-2pm. There will be face painting, raffles and a variety of food stalls available on the day. Buddy classes have been working together to add improvements to last year's track designs. A reminder that there are spot prizes for Easter themed decorated bikes, scooters or helmets. Raffle winners, lap winners and the winner of the major prize will be announced at our end of term assembly on Friday 16 April.

More information to come next week.

GRANDPARENTS GROUP - Next Friday 9th April

We are having a morning tea for grandparents who are caring for their grandchildren next **Friday 9**th **April at 9.00am**



in the staffroom. Join us for a cuppa and a chat before Wheelathon.

Dictionaries from Rotary

A special thanks to the Timaru Rotary Club for their generous donation of illustrated dictionaries. Mr Mark Oldfield presented these to our Year 4 students on Thursday 25 March.



TSUNAMI HIKOI

Last Friday the whole school revisited what to do in the event of a very strong earthquake. If it's long or strong, we get gone. A strong earthquake could trigger a tsunami, therefore we would need to head for higher ground. Classrooms practised the Drop Cover Hold technique and then evacuated to Marchwiel Park, just behind Grant's On the Spot dairy on Selwyn Street. Please make a note that this is where we would keep your child/children safe until you were able to collect them. It is extremely important that we all know what to do.





BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS

Wow! We have finally filled a paper box with the donated bread tags. That's a lot of tags! But don't stop now, we are continuing to collect them. The bread tags are recycled here in NZ and made into beautiful earrings. Check them out at

https://www.recycledplasticdesign.com/



YEAR 7 & 8 CAMP

Thank you to those families that have contributed to school camp by paying the camp donation. We really appreciate this support and acknowledge that without these donations we would not be able to offer the level of outdoor education that is available this year. To pay the \$80 donation the school's bank account number is 03-0855-0334452-00, please state your child's name as reference so we can send out a Donation Receipt for you to claim back a partial refund from the IRD. If you were wanting to claim a 1/3 of the \$80 donation back from the IRD in this tax year you will need to pay this today, 31st March 2021.

KIWI ENGLISH, MATHS & SCIENCE COMPETITIONS (Optional)

The University of Canterbury are offering all Year 5-8 students the opportunity to participate in these optional competitions. Forms with payment are due back 8 April.

Assembly Awards

Principal Awards Term 1 Week 7

Abby Thornton, Kalare Win, Brylee Taylor, Millie Boyle

Term 1 - Week 7, Hunter Jay Paisley, Gemma Halkett-Doull, Jaxon Bell, Rahurahu Tungia, Chevelle Thomas, Brooklyn Thomson, Tawhirimatea Whyte, Payton Tairaki Houia, Scoutt Tee, Freya Forward, Aleyah Barriball, Auberon Kleinow, Farhin Faris, Jess Beeby, Morgan Nixon, Xavier Barrett, Maddy Ross, Bella Hopkinson

Term 1 - Week 8

Sahara Kleinow, Luca Thomas, Hazel McGlinchy, Azariah Vakalala, Mckenzee Rogers, Ryan Johnson, Ashton Wentworth-Smith, Braxton Smith, Jax Rolton, Vann Agnew, Aaleyah Dhillon, Zachary Penty

POPPIES

In support of the Returned Services Assn we have Poppies available in the school office for a gold coin donation, until the end of term.



GRANTLEA DOWNS SCHOOL OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS TERM 3 & 4 2021

The Board invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their child at Grantlea Downs for Term 3 & 4 2021.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office.

Applications for out-of-zone places are now being invited for those students who will become eligible for enrolment during the period 26 July to 14 December 2021. We currently have places for New Entrants, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 students. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school zone

The deadline for receipt of applications for out-of-zone places is **30** April **2021**.

If a ballot for out-of-zone places is required, it will be held on 7 May 2021. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.

Application forms are available at the school office or by calling 03 684 7706.

If you live in the home zone and have not yet signalled your intention to enrol your child later this year, please contact the school immediately to assist us to plan appropriately.

Annaleisha Coombes, BOT Chairperson

Dragon A metaphor poem by Chloe Rm 11

He is a bird, his wings spread out gliding across the sky.

He is a lizard, his outstanding metallic scales shining in the moonlight.

He is an alligator, his mouth with sharp teeth wide open ready to devour his food.

> He is a phoenix, burning down the forest with his scorching flames.

He is a firework dispenser, spitting out rocks making them blow up like glitter across the sky.

> He is a scorpion, his bulby,sharp tail scraping across a tree.

He is a lion, the king of all animals.

PRE-ENROLMENTS

We are currently in the process of forward planning and request you fill out the form below (copies available from the school office) if you have any children that you will be enrolling at Grantlea Downs in the future. Our School has an Enrolment Zone so in order to ascertain if we will have available spaces for out of zone students in 2022, we would appreciate you returning this slip as soon as possible

Pre Enrolments – <u>Current</u> Grantlea Downs Families				
	Pre school child/ren I intend enrolling at Grantlea Downs			
1)	His/her name is	DOB		
	Expected start date			
	Sibling of			
2)	His/her name is			
	Expected start date			
	Parent/Caregiver Name			
	Address	·		
	Phone			

HELP NEEDED IN THE OPIHI SYNDICATE

Opihi Syndicate need helpers to run our Perceptual Motor Programme in Terms 2 and 3. It is held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1.30pm to 3.00pm. Please have a look at the dates and see if you could possibly commit to helping us run this valuable programme. Even if you could help 2 or 3 times that would be helpful. Grandparents are very welcome to help if they would like to. Copies of the form below are available from the office.

PERCEPTUAL MOTOR PROGRAMME

	Tuesday	Wednesday
Term 2	18 ^h May	19 th May
	25 th May	26 th May
	1 st June	2 nd June
	8 th June	9 th June
	15 th June	16 th June
	22 nd June	23 rd June
	29 th June	30 th June
	6 th July	7 th July
Term 3	27 th July	28 th July
	3 rd August	4 th August
	10 th August	11 th August
	17 th August	18 th August
	24th August	25 th August
	31st August	1 st September
	7 th September	8 th September
	14 th September	15 th September
	21st September	22 nd September

Please circle or highlight the dates that you can help.

Name		Phone		
Childs Name and Room number _				

<u>REMINDER:</u> Please ensure your children's helmets are fitted correctly BEFORE the Wheelathon day. Also that bikes are safe to ride and have tyres pumped up.



Please read the Policy below as a reminder when taking photos/recordings at school events.

This can also be viewed on School Docs at http://grantleadowns.schooldocs.co.nz/ with the Username - grantleadowns and Password - grantsroad

Grantlea Downs School

Sharing Images of Students

Grantlea Downs School follows guidelines to protect students' privacy and safety at school when we **publish student information**. This includes sharing **photo**s of our students. We encourage parents to also consider privacy issues when sharing **photo**s and videos taken at school events.

We are happy for parents to take **photo**s/videos of their children at sports day, cultural day, or other public school events. If copyright issues apply, such as at a school play, which forbid **photo**s or videos to be taken, the school makes this known.

If parents want to share photos/videos on social media, they should consider the following:

- Show the images to your children and discuss them before posting them on social media. This will help your children understand that they should always think about what goes out to the public on the internet.
- · If the images have pictures of other students, think about editing to remove them.
- Make sure that other students are not named in any online posts.

Parents should remember that posting **photos** of other people can amount to harassment and they should take care to ensure **photos** are fair to other people. This ensures everyone can enjoy school events without worrying what will end up on social media.

Also see **Parent Involvement**.

Students are also expected to consider privacy and cybersafety issues when sharing **photo**s and using social media. See **Digital Technology and Cybersafety**.

COMMUNITY NOTICES







FlipOut Timaru has you covered for Parties, Causal Bouncing, Fundraising, Arena Hire and More!

Ninja Classes started back last week and we still have spaces available on Mondays at 4pm.

Come along and join in the fun. Quinn Proctor is one of our new instructors and has extensive trampolining and tricking experience.

Call us on 6882807 or Message us via Facebook to book your free Ninia Trial Now!

April School Holiday Programme

TIMARU CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

Tuesday 20th and Thursday 22nd April: Tuesday 27th and Thursday 29th April 2021 Session times: 10:30 - 11:30am with a repeat of the morning session at 2:30 - 3:30pm TO BOOK: Email anita.dawson@timdc.govt.nz or call 03 687 7202

GERALDINE LIBRARY

Wednesday 21st and Friday 23rd April[®] Wednesday 28th and Friday 30th April 2021 Session times: 10:30 - 11:30am

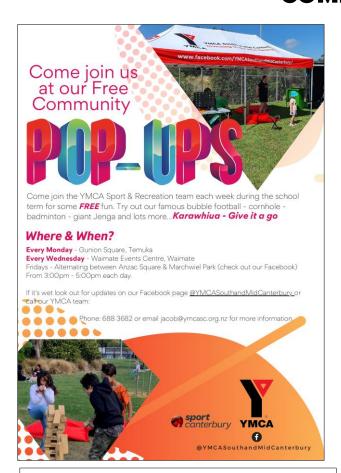
TO BOOK: Email librarygeraldine@gmail.com or call O3-693 9336

TEMUKA LIBRARY

Wednesday 21st and Friday 23rd April: Wednesday 28th and Friday 30th April 2021 Session times: 10:30 - 11:30am Call 03 687 7591 for information.



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MACKENZIE COUNTY
A & P SHOW, FAIRLIE
EASTER MONDAY 5th April 2021







