



**25 July 2018**  
**Newsletter No 12**

Tena Koutou Parents and Friends

Welcome back everyone. We hope you all had a relaxing and refreshing break and managed to enjoy some family time over the holidays. We are looking forward to Term 3, filled with lots of interesting and fun things!

We extend a very warm welcome to Mrs Andrea Heinicke who is joining us for this term as a relieving teacher. She will be starting off in the New Entrant room while Miss Guise is away on refreshment leave. Andrea will be familiar to a lot of people as she did her 3rd year posting with us last year. We are looking forward to Andrea being part of our team.

We are saddened to advise that Mrs Carmen Brown will be leaving us to take up a full time position as New Entrant teacher at Bluestone in week 6 of this term. Mrs Brown has been a highly valued member of the Grantlea Downs staff for nearly 20 years. During this time she has fulfilled many roles both fulltime and part time. We wish her all the very best and thank her for her commitment and dedication to our school.

Some of the things that are coming up in term 3 are: Reading Together Workshops, Otago Problem Solving Challenge, FLAVA Festival, Ski/Skate Day, SC Gym Fest, ODT Current Events Quiz, Parent/Teacher Interviews, Yr 7/8 Lions Speech Competition, Opihi Tabloid Sports, The Arts – Syndicate Performances, Artarama and School Photos. Please see the calendar attached to the newsletter for dates. We also recommend you download our free parent/family calendar app, Skool Loop.

Our Wellbeing focus for this fortnight is 'Be Active – Me Kori Tonu.' Ski/Skate Day is coming up so it is a chance to be active in our great outdoors!

Nga mihi nui  
Collette Sandilands

Newsletter

Wellbeing Focus: Be Active  
Me Kori Tonu



Go for a walk or run. Step outside. Cycle. Play a game. Garden. Dance. Exercising makes you feel good. Most importantly, discover a physical activity you enjoy and that suits your level of fitness.

Did you know? Having a healthy, active body is linked to having a healthy, happy and active mind. People think the two are separate but actually they are not. Scientists believe that physical activity causes mood-enhancing chemical changes in your brain. Have you heard of endorphins? These are 'good mood' hormones present in physically active people.

**PROPOSED TEACHER STOPPAGE**  
**WEDNESDAY 15 AUGUST**

You will have read in the media about Teachers and Principals considering strike action due to failing employment contract negotiations. The NZEI union are calling for all Principals and Teachers to withdraw from school on Wednesday 15 August.

*In case the planned intention to strike does come to fruition we suggest you plan to make arrangements should this eventuate.*

We will update families immediately once we have confirmation whether this will take place, and whether this will be a full day or half day.

We appreciate that this creates some inconvenience for families and we thank you for your understanding and the support teachers have been receiving.

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## NEW STUDENTS

We welcome the following students and their families to Grantlea Downs: Aralayah Karena-Jamison, Tiaki Whyte, Stanley Bryant, Xhyon Gordon-Patterson, Romeo Yerbury, Shania Saunders, Georgia Saunders and Thomas Vincent.

## GRANDPARENTS GROUP – Next Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August

We are having a morning tea for grandparents who are caring for their grandchildren next **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August at 9.00am** in the staffroom. Join us for a cuppa and a chat.



## THANK YOU

Thank you to Mrs Wendy Pickard and Mrs Cathy Moffat for cleaning the school during the holidays for us to come back to a lovely clean environment. Thank you also to Mr Ford and Reon Keenan for maintaining the grounds while we were all on holiday and ensuring our rooms were all lovely and warm on Monday.

## TERM CALENDAR

A Term 3 Calendar is enclosed in this newsletter.

## DISCO – THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST

Grantlea Downs Home and School Fundraiser, to be held in our School Hall

Juniors (Year 1-4) 4.30 – 5.30pm

Seniors (Year 5-8) 6.00 – 7.15pm

Entry: \$2      Ice Blocks: \$1

Chips: 50c      Glow Sticks: 3 for \$1

Remember to bring your drink bottle

Students must be picked up from the Hall by an adult at the end of the event.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Orders and payment due by **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2018**

## Visiting Performer – Term 2

We had Richard Scholes with his show the 'Magical World of Crazy Science' visit at the end of last term. His incredible science 'magic' entertained us all.



## MUFTI DAY – FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2018

We will be holding a Jeans Only Mufti Day in support of the Hospice. Thank you in advance for your support.

## Seals of Approval – End of Term 2

Congratulations to the following students who were placed first or runner-up in the Seal of Approval Awards for Term 2

Students Name	Most Seals
Amelia Forward	Winner - Room 1
Teiria Tungia	Runner-Up - Room 1
Braxton Smith	Winner - Room 2
Jax Rolton	Runner-Up – Room 2
Charlie Palmer	Winner - Room 3
Heidi Fuller	Runner-Up - Room 3
Khan Wills	Winner - Room 4
Gabby Milne	Runner-Up - Room 4
Carter Brown	Winner - Room 5
Phoebe Kiddey	Runner-Up - Room 5
Connor Hoare	Winner - Room 6
Isabelle La Grange	Runner-Up - Room 6
Sergio Bryan	Winner - Room 7
Makayla Winiata	Joint Runner-Up - Room 7
Murphy Geary	Joint Runner-Up - Room 7
Lydia Flavell	Winner - Room 8
Annabelle Gilmour	Runner-Up - Room 8
Montana Davis	Winner - Room 9
Mia Holden	Runner-Up - Room 9
Mercedes Karauria	Winner - Room 10
Mikaylah Donaldson	Runner-Up - Room 10
Pippa Palmer	Winner - Room 11
Irihapati McMillan-Meager	Joint Runner-Up - Room 11
Holly Thin	Joint Runner-Up - Room 11
Khya Ross	Winner - Room 12
Jayda Hull	Runner-Up - Room 12
Celia Stowell	Winner - Room 13
Alex Elder	Runner-Up - Room 13
Niamh Motley	Winner – Room 14
Zannyx Geary	Runner-Up - Room 14
Mia Quirke	Winner - Room 15
Jessica Aldridge	Runner-Up - Room 15

Congratulations also to the following students who obtained a **Gold Award**:

Jack Bennett, Koda Davis, Montana Davis, Faliqh Faris, Ryan Goodman, Mia Holden, Annachez Jones, Victoria Kyle, Miglia Schicker, Hunter Tee, McKenzie Don, Mikaylah Donaldson, Angus Gould, Mercedes Karauria, Casimir Kleinow, Daniel La Grange, Tawhai Reihana, Kalo Siale, Lochlan Wilson, Ella Brown, Deacon Cooper, Ella Craig, Summer Culshaw, Bella Hopkinson, Irihapati McMillan Meager, Orla Motley, Chelsea Nicholls, Jasmine Sheppard, Holly Thin, Hollie Todd, Oscar



Whyte, Mikayla Willetts, Kassidy Anderson, Charlotte Blake, Rebecca Bramley, Flame Brazendale, Asenaca Kuruduadua, Mikayla Ryan, Briar Taylor, Bella Thin, Cassie Thornley, Charlotte Collis, Alex Elder, Eli McLaughlin, Mollie Phillips, Caleb Price, Latisha Put, Ashton Sandford, Celia Stowell, Daniel Chernetski, Charlotte Hallberg, Caleb Hay, Grace McCarthy, Abby Rempala, Emma Reynecke, Kawend Kuang, Blake Parker, Yizhou Cao, Caitlin Bentley, Zannyx Geary, Brendan Phillips, Amelia Maynard, Niamh Motley, Jessica Aldridge, Ruby-Jane Allison, Lucy Barnes, Noah Carnegie, Matt Gonzales, Oliver Kirke, Tyla Murray, Maddox Peneamene, Mia Quirke, Steven Ramsay, Sophie Todd, Madison Wills

Jett W- Room 5  
Teiria - Room 2  
Murphy - Room 7

Zanikx – Room 2  
Holly T – Room 11  
Harrison – Room 10

**Term 2 House winner was: Gould**

## Assembly Awards

### Excellent Effort – Week 9 Term 2

Honor Walkinshaw-Dee, Shyla Page, Fynn Jackson, Kassi White, Carter Brown, Gracie McGartand, Dontae Hough, Griffin Johns, Aroha Honatana-Smith, Mercedes Karauria, Thomas Hendry, Lachie Kotua, Ella Brown, Mikayla Ryan, Bella Thin, Caleb Price, Mollie Phillips, Amelia Maynard, Niamh Motley, Caleb Fairhall, Andrei Chpilko

### Values Focus Award – Week 9 Term 2

Jeremiah Barrett, JJ Gates, Ola Latu, Izabella Simms, Pyper McGiffert, Jesse Agnew, Monique Legge, Lochie Wilson, Ella Craig, Charlotte Blake, Jacob Hall, Cjay Taylor, Ruby Allison

### Achievement Award – Seals of Approval – Week 9 Term 2

Aaliyah Raukawa-Goodman, Greer Hurst, Liam Cunningham, Khan Wills, Elijah Stevenson, Harrison Butler, Murphy Geary, McKenzie Don, Oscar Whyte, Charlotte Blake, Eli McLaughlin, Sophie Todd

### ODT SPELLING QUIZ

The Otago Daily Times Spelling Quiz was held at the end of last term. We entered two Year 7/8 teams and two Year 5/6 teams. There were 29 teams competing in the Year 5/6 competition. It was a very close competition with our team consisting of Holly, Chelsea and Jake achieving a very close 4<sup>th</sup> place, they were only half a point behind 3<sup>rd</sup> place and 2 points behind first place! Our other team consisting of Ella C, Flame and Jackson placed 10<sup>th</sup> equal, also very close on points. Congratulations on the excellent results in the spelling quiz!

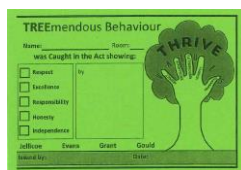


Well done also to Steven, Lucy, Oli, Caleb, Zannyx and Abby for representing Grantlea Downs in the Year 7/8 Spelling Quiz. Both teams performed well against 33 other teams.



### 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



#### Week 9 - Term 2

Winning House: Gould  
Pyper - Room 5  
McKenzie - Room 10

#### Week 10 - Term 2

Winning House: Gould  
Pippa - Room 11  
Indie - Room 1

## COMMUNITY NOTICES



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**ENTRIES CLOSE 5PM FRIDAY 27 JULY 2018**

## Grantlea Downs Term Calendar - Term 3 2018

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	July 23 Start of Term 3	24	25 Newsletter	26	27
2	30	31	Aug 1	2 Disco	3 Assembly 2:15
3	6	7 Reading Together	8 Newsletter	9 Ski/Skate Day	10 Mufti Day -Jeans Only day for Hospice
4	13	14 Reading Together	15 Possible NZEI Teacher Industrial action Dog Control-Opihi & Waipopo	16 Author visit - TBC Dog Control-Opihi & Waipopo BOT Meeting 6.30pm	17 Flava Festival Dog Control-Opihi & Waipopo
5	20	21	22 Newsletter	23 Opihi Syn Artarama	24
6	27	28 Reading Together	29 Acacia Artarama visit	30	31 Assembly 2:15
7	Sept 3	4 Kereta Self Defence for Girls Reading Together	5 Kereta Self Defence for Girls Newsletter	6 Kereta Self Defence for Girls Parent Interviews 12.00-7.30	7 Kereta Self Defence for Girls
8	10	11	12	13 BOT Meeting 6.30pm	14 Assembly 2:15
9		18 Kereta One Act Plays	19 Newsletter	20 Opihi Tabloid Sports Year 7/8 Speech Competition	21
10	24 <b>SC Anniversary Day</b>	25	26 School Photos	27 Waipopo Performance	28 Assembly 2:15 End of Term