



10 March 2017

Kia ora koutou katoa,
Greetings Parents and Caregivers

PARENT TEACHER CHATS

Thank you to all the parents who came along to talk with the teachers this week and to clarify some useful learning goals for the children this year based on their strengths and learning needs. It is always good to have a chance to talk without interruptions as a useful alternative to the before and after school catch ups that are such a regular part of life at school.

PARENT ASSEMBLY DATES THIS TERM

We hope that all those who were able to make it along to the assembly today enjoyed seeing what the children had to share from their first few weeks of school in 2017. Thank you to Toroa class for leading the assembly today. Toroa are our Year 6 children, for those new to the school.

We hold two assemblies a term on a Friday afternoon and invite all parents and whanau to come along and see what the children have to share from their recent weeks learning at school.

The assemblies are held here at School in our Library/Hub space that we call Tutahi (a place where we stand together)

The Assemblies start at 2.20pm. One class introduces all the items and runs the assembly. Three classes have a more in depth sharing and the other three classes perform a song or two together. These roles are swapped around over the course of the year.

The next Parent Assembly date will be Friday 7th April.

CINDY DIVER TALKING ABOUT THE INCA CIVILISATION

This morning the Senior children really enjoyed hearing one of our parents, Cindy Diver, talk about her experiences in Peru and she was able to tell the children heaps about the Inca Civilisation. We are so lucky that our parents are able to share their knowledge with the children in this way. In a couple of weeks Karen Greig is coming to speak to the children too. Karen is also one of our parents and is an archaeologist with heaps of expertise in this area to share too. If you have an area of expertise or knowledge you would be prepared to share with the children in relation to any of our school learning we would love to hear from you.

TRIATHLON EVENT NEXT WEDNESDAY THE 15 MARCH

Mr Direen is coordinating some teams and individuals to take part in the Sport Otago Primary Schools Triathlon event next week on Wednesday morning at the Watson Park in Port Chalmers. Eighteen children are involved with the help and support of their parents. Mr Direen has communicated directly with those children and families involved and is hoping to hear back today about transport. He will get back to you on Monday with transports lists.

Bikes need to be checked prior to the race, preferably before the day of the race at the Avanti Bike Shop in town.

Good luck to all the children involved. We hope you have a fantastic morning and enjoy the experience and the competition. Thank you Mr Direen for organizing our participation in the event and for your coordination on the day.

MAORI CLASSES:

Please ensure your children return their completed mihi to school on Monday if they haven't already done so. There is a small reward for the class that brings them all back first. Please contact me if you have questions about filling it in.

Well done to all the children who have already completed and returned their mihi. Thank you. **Ms Rose** (wooboo@ihug.co.nz).

MANDARIN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Korimako and Karearea classes have started their Mandarin learning classes. We have a Mandarin Teaching Assistant from Tahuna who comes out to all the Peninsula Schools and delivers brief fun lessons each week that deliver a bit of language and a bit of learning about Chinese culture and traditions. Korimako class are carrying on their learning from last year and Karearea class are starting as beginners. Research show learning languages is very good for children's brains and it is great fun too.

WHANAU HUI

We are organizing our Term 1 Whanau Hui for Wednesday the 22nd of March. We would love to invite the whanau from our children who identify as Maori along to an afternoon tea and an informal chat with staff representatives. We enjoy talking about what we can do at school and we get some great ideas out of these get-togethers. If you haven't been along to one yet see if you might be able to make it along to the one coming up on the 22nd. We have a cup of tea, some afternoon tea kai and the children are welcome too.

SWIMMING

Next week will be our last week of school swimming this year before the pool is closed for the season at Otago Anniversary Weekend (The last day for the pool will be on Monday 20 March). Please send your child along prepared to swim with their togs and a towel etc each day next week.

Remember if your child has had a tummy bug they can't swim for two weeks after vomiting or diarrhea as otherwise it could spread to others.

SUNHATS

All children need to have a named sunhat to wear at school during Term 1 and 4. It is best that this is a wide brimmed hat. We do have school sunhats available for sale for \$10 each.

SCHOOL DISCO- 24 MARCH

The fantastic Home and School parents are organizing a School Disco at the hall on Friday the 24 March. All children are welcome to come and parents too. It is an alcohol free event for the adults. The children have lots of fun at the Disco; Magic Kids are again providing us with the sound system and a DJ for the evening at no cost.

It costs \$5 per child to go to the Disco and for that the children get entry to the Disco, a drink, packet of chips and usually a glow stick too.

INQUIRY THEMES – 2017

Our big overarching concept in 2017 is about Challenge and Survival.

In Term 1 our topic is 'Ancient Civilisations- their Rise and Fall' and we will be researching a number of Civilisations and their history.

In Term 2 we will find out about the Animals and the challenges they face to survive – We will look into the concept of survival of the fittest and how it applies to the animal world.

In Term 3 we plan to look at Nature's Forces and how people deal with challenges when coping with Natural Disasters.

In Term 4 we will look into how people keep themselves safe. We will look into how we accept challenge in our lives but keep ourselves safe too.

These ideas and Inquiry topics have all come out of our consultation with the children at the end of last year when we brainstormed all the things they wanted to find out about and looked for themes that connected with these ideas.

If we have any parents or contacts that people know of who have a passion for any of these topics we would love to hear from you and see if you might possibly share your interest and knowledge with the children. They love listening to adults talking about something that they are passionate about.

USEFUL APP FOR YOUR PHONE THAT HELPS WITH COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL

Last year we signed up to a very useful app called PT Calendar or the Parent Teacher Calendar App. Once you have downloaded the free app to your phone you can go in and choose Otago as your region and Macandrew Bay School as your school. Once this is loaded you can then go on it to see what is coming up on the calendar, report that your child is absent (by phone, SMS or email), find contact email addresses for your child's teacher, read the latest newsletter, or read information about our school. It also allows us to send a text to any parents who are signed up to our school if we had something happen

that we needed to communicate with parents about e.g. an early closing of the school if we were flooded or had some sort of emergency. We can also email all our parents in case of an emergency using etap our Student Management system, as long as we have your correct email addresses on our database.

Thank you to the local businesses who are advertising on the PTC Calendar app and helping bring this useful service to us at no charge.

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL DONATIONS

Each year we ask for a Voluntary School Donation each term and this money is used to buy reading books, maths equipment, musical instruments, sports equipment, library books and help provide Teacher Aide Support for the children in the classes. Being a Decile 10 School means our operational funds are not all that generous. Our suggested School Donations this year will be the same amount as last year - \$25.00 per term or \$100.00 per child. You are more than welcome to pay these per term or for the whole year – whichever suits you. Some parents have set up regular small direct debit contributions and that is fine. It is worth parents knowing that the receipt you receive for any donations made to school can be used for an income tax credit from Inland Revenue. You can pay school donations by internet banking but it is great if you also email and let us know you have done that and then Irene can keep track of all these payments. You need to state clearly your child's name and what the money is for in the reference information.

VOLUNTARY ACTIVITY DONATION

The suggested Activity Donation again is \$10.00 per child per term, or you may wish to pay \$40.00 for the whole year. This money is used to help cover the costs of the children travelling to the Museum, Art Gallery, Sports Events and pays for visits to school by different performing groups etc. Please fill in the form below and return to the Office if you are able to contribute in this way.

POOL TESTING REMINDER

If you are on the roster to test it is really important that you carry out your test or else organize someone else to do your test. This helps ensure our water quality and means we have nice clean water in our pool. We only have just over a week to go now before the pool closes so we are on the home straight now with the roster duties. A very big thanks to Joni Simpson and Amanda Brown for the amazing job they have done being in charge of the pool and keeping a great eye on it and to all the helpers on the roster who have helped out with testing throughout the swimming season.

VEGETABLE GARDENS AND STREAM PROJECT

We realise we really need some help from members of our School Community with our vegetable gardens and stream area to keep them thriving, productive and well cared for.

If you would be keen to help out with weeding and watering etc we would really appreciate your help. Thank you for all the offers to help that have already come back to school. Just bring your weeding tools to school on a nice day and get stuck in. From time to time we might organize a working bee and get in touch with you about it. The Enviro-team got together this week with Miss Hutchison and went over to the stream area to check it out and see what it needs in the way of weeding. Apparently the convolvulus is taking off over

there, though it is great to see how well the plants are doing since we planted them 2 or 3 years ago.

LOST PROPERTY

Large boxes of really lovely clothes from last year are waiting to be claimed in Toroa classroom (Yr.6 children) and up in the Quiet room at the back of the junior classrooms.

We have kept the lost property for the first few weeks of term couple of weeks and now want to give last year's clothes away to charity. If parents want to have any of the clothes before it goes to Charity that is fine. Next week we are happy to start recycling leftover clothes from last year so have a look in the Lost Property and see if there is anything that could be useful for your family. We did put these clothes out a number of times last year hoping to get them reunited with their owners and did so again last week. If it is possible to write your child's name on the clothes label we would be able to get belongings back to the right people so much more easily.

NOTICES FOR NEWSLETTER

Any notices for the newsletter should be in on Thursday afternoon please. It makes the compiling of the newsletter so much easier if they are in to the Office by then, either by email or by dropping a notice into school.

MAGIC KIDS AFTER SCHOOL CARE OPTION

We are very lucky to have Magic Kids providing after school care based at the Macandrew Bay School Library five days a week. To book your child in, even for the odd day ring Magic Kids at 453 3266 or visit their website. www.magickidsclub.co.nz

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Our first Home and School Committee meeting for the year was held this week on Thursday and it was great to have lots of familiar and new faces along to join the team this year. We have some good plans established for the year and some dates set up for some fundraising events. First up is the School Disco for the children, held on Friday the 24th March. Next term we will have the annual Quiz night on Thursday the 25th of May.

Everybody is welcome to join the Home and School Committee and we love having new members. The meetings last an hour and start at 7pm. It is a great way to get involved with your child's School. Our next Home and School Meeting will be on Thursday the 11th of May at 7pm.

Liz Luscombe has now set up a roster for the school sausage sizzles and emailed it out to everybody who volunteered, so thank you. That will be great to get your help in this way.

Information about our Home and School Committee

The Home & School Committee meets twice a term and is a less formally organised group than the Board of Trustees. They support the school in many matters outside the curriculum such as fundraising for special projects and holding events. It is a good opportunity for every new parent to meet other parents, make close contact with teachers and get a better understanding about the everyday life at school. All meetings are open to

every parent and the committee always welcomes new members. How much work every member wants to contribute in the end is entirely up to them. The aim is no pressure but lots of fun. The meetings are announced in the weekly newsletters. We usually have a Fair every two years and in alternate years we hold an Art Auction to raise funds for Arts programmes in the school and to fund our 'Artist in School' programme. This year we are due to run the Art Auction as our major fundraiser for the year.

IMPETAGO (SCHOOL SORES)

From time to time this can pop up in the community and in schools, and because it is passed by handling shared equipment it can spread quickly. There is usually 7-10 days between being exposed to showing a rash or showing scabs on the face or hands. If you are not sure if your child has this it is best to get it checked out. They may need antibiotics and treatment. The best way to prevent the spread of impetigo is lots of careful hand washing and not touching your face. They should not come back to school till at least 24 hours after treatment has started or whatever your doctor has advised.

WRITING CORNER - Tui Class

If I had wings
I would fly over rainbows and smell the flowers.

If I had wings
I would eat all the clouds and scent the moon.

If I had wings
I would fly above trees and sing with owls in the night.

If I had wings
I would listen to creatures and fly above the moon and stars.

If I had wings
I would fly with the unicorns and dive with dolphins.

By Harper Reynolds

If I had wings
I would glide on the wind over the mountains and hills.

If I had wings
I would soar over the treetops and sea watching the whales and dolphins play.

If I had wings
I would fly up mountains and look at views of houses and trees.

If I had wings
I would ride the wind and watch people walking by.

If I had wings
I would fly to the sun and watch the clouds moving by.

By Olivia Buckby.

If I had wings

I would fly over the world and try new food.

If I had wings

I would fly to china and see the great wall of China

If I had wings

I would fly up to the sky and feel the wind blowing in my face.

If I had wings

I would fly to space and see the universe.

If I had wings

I would jump off a cliff and fly to the very top.

By Roinga Lawrence-Kokana

DATES TO REMEMBER IN TERM ONE

10 Mar	Parent Assembly
15 Mar	Triathlon Event
20 Mar	Otago Anniversary Day (School closed)
22 Mar	Whanau Hui
24 Mar	School Disco
13 Apr	End of Term 1 on Thursday. Good Friday is the next day

Bernadette Newlands
PRINCIPAL

Sports

Rippa Rugby Draw 13th March

Peninsula Black vs Carisbrook Clubs	Field 6	3.45pm
Peninsula White vs Fairfield Roosters	Field 4	3.45pm
Peninsula Blue vs GSNS Blaze	Field 3	3.45pm
Peninsula Dolphins vs St Clair 2	Field 3	4.15pm
Peninsula Marlins vs Penninsula Sharks	Field 5	4.15pm

Futsal

Tuesday 14th Mar

4pm Mac Bay Wolves vs Carisbrook Meteors	Powerade Court 6
4pm Mac Bay Bears vs St Leonards 5	Edgar Court 8

Wednesday 8th March

3.30pm Mac Bay Kiwis vs Andy Bay Kickers	Edgar Court 10
4.30pm Mac Bay Bulldogs vs Opoho Titans	Edgar Court 18
4.30pm Mac Bay Dolphins vs GB Dragons	Edgar Court 12
4.30pm Mac Bay Seals vs Bradford Beavers	Edgar Court 17
5.30pm Mac Bay Hawks vs Bradford Burglars	Edgar Court 16
6.00pm Mac Bay Eagles vs St Clair 11	Power Court 6

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Saturday 11th March

3-4pm – Cat Tunks | 7-8pm – Terry Ebeling

Sunday 12th March

4-5pm – JT One Good Eye

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Are you motivated and excited by new products? Can you sell the New Zealand wildlife experiences? Come and join the Royal Albatross Centre team!

This job requires someone who has a flair for shop dressing and is motivated to see the shop excel. It involves helping re-design, organising and re-stocking our retail area and working alongside our retail manager to create a great atmosphere and experience for the customers. The ideal candidate would also have some computer and IT skills to assist them in this position.

Do you have some reception or administrative experience? We are also busy on the reception desk, reserving tours, selling retail items and informing our visitors about the wonderful area we work in! We are all about promoting how unique this area is and informing our visitors on the best way to experience that!

*These two positions would suit separate people looking for part time work, or we are happy to combine into a single role at the Royal Albatross Centre.
If interested, please email your cv to manager@albatross.org.nz*

Community Oral Health Service

Children (from birth to the end of year 8)

Children* are entitled to FREE basic dental care, from birth until they begin high school. Free basic dental care is available at Community Oral Health fixed clinics and mobile dental units throughout the Southern District.

The Service is run by *appointment only*. We would like parents/guardians to attend all appointments with their child as Dental Therapists provide parents with valuable advice to support their children's good oral health.

If your child is already enrolled with the Service we will contact you to make an appointment. If your child is not enrolled, you are unsure or new to the area, please call:

Otago 0800 672 543 or Southland 0800 570 300 – both numbers are free to call from cell phones

For more information visit: <http://www.southerndhb.govt.nz/pages/community-oral-health-service/>

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*who meet the [eligibility criteria](#) for publicly funded health and disability services

Adolescent Oral Health Service

Adolescents (from year 9 until their 18th birthday)

Adolescents* are entitled to FREE basic dental care, from Year 9 until their 18th birthday – no matter where you're at... high school, training course, work or unemployed.

Free basic dental care is available by enrolling with a Dentist. This is usually arranged at the child's last dental visit with the Community Oral Health Service in school year 8. The chosen Dentist should contact you directly to make an appointment.

If you need to enrol, or have any questions please call: 0800 825 583 – option 2

For more information visit: <http://www.southerndhb.govt.nz/pages/adolescent-oral-health-service/>

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Babysitting

Hi my name is Emma Edwards. I'm 14 years old and in year 10 at St Hildas. I'm a previous student of Macandrew Bay School. In my spare time I like to paddle board and hang out with my friends.

If you need a caring, reliable babysitter either text or email me at emmaedwards@shcs.school.nz or 02102499118

International Storytelling Festival: Around the World in 80 Tales

Take a journey around the world, through the stories from some of Dunedin's diverse cultures.

Over 15 different languages and performers, plus dance, puppets, music and song. Be part of this inaugural Dunedin festival for International Storytelling Day. A chance to celebrate diversity, hear other languages and experience the universality of story.

All welcome: suitable 0-100 years
Sunday 19th March, 11am – 3pm
Dunedin City Library
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Rugby Coaching Opportunity at Macandrew Bay School

Following a hugely successful holiday camp over the break, we are looking to establish Otago's All Blacks Camp for Kids (ABC4KIDS) after-school programme which we believe might be of interest to some of you. The ABC4KIDS programme is the New Zealand Rugby Union's fundamental skills programme for primary school-aged children. The philosophy of the All Blacks Camp for Kids' "is to provide a fundamental skills environment with an emphasis on fun for all participants".

We have structured the camp so that it has three entry level sessions which are based around the needs of distinct age groups:

Children aged 5-6 years (Beginning).

Children aged 7-9 years (Learning).

Children aged 10-12 years (Playing).

Each camp lasts for 5 weeks and each session goes for approximately 60 minutes. The cost of the five week camp is \$50 or \$70 with a T-shirt.

To register your interest, please contact Helen by email at helen.martin@otago.ac.nz or 0211 294 206 Look forward to hearing from you

They are looking to run the rugby-coaching course here at Macandrew Bay School in Term 2 on a Thursday with a start date to be advised. We would like registrations of interest, as

all 3 Peninsula Schools will be eligible to take part. Sponsorship for eligible families will be available and we will have more information on this after the 24th February.

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL DONATIONS

\$25.00 per term per child or \$100 for the 4 terms per child

Name of child/children _____ Rm _____

_____ Rm _____

Amount enclosed _____

Signed _____

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL ACTIVITY DONATION – This helps pay for school trips, performances and education outside the classroom.

\$10.00 per term per child or \$40.00 for the 4 terms per child

Name of child/children _____ Rm _____

_____ Rm _____

Amount enclosed _____

Signed _____

PARENT TUTOR READING HELP

I am interested if helping with Parent Tutor Reading.

The day, which suits me best, is a _____ (please indicate).

Name _____

CONTACT DETAILS (if you have moved or changed phone numbers or email)

Name _____

Our contact details are now: _____

Signed _____

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS ONLY

Your Name: _____

Childs Name: _____

Room: _____

Email address: _____

VEGETABLE GARDEN AND STREAM PROJECT:

I would be keen to help out with weeding and watering etc

Name: _____

Phone: _____



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		7pm	7 pm	7 pm	2 pm 7 pm	1 pm 4:30 pm
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whare horoi kākahu: laundry

I haere au ki *te whare horoi kākahu*. I went to the *laundry*. - this is an example of an [active sentence](#)

He pūngāwerewere kei roto i tōku *whare horoi kākahu*.
There are spiders in my *laundry*.
Another word for this is *rūma horoi kākahu*.

