



Macandrew Bay School



Simply the best for our children.

3 March 2017

Kia ora koutou katoa,
Greetings Parents and Caregivers

PARENT TEACHER CHATS NEXT WEEK

Those families who would like a chat with their child's teacher will be able to have a 10-minute slot available from 3.10pm – 7.30pm on Tuesday 7th March or until 5.30 on Thursday 9th March. The teachers will need a meal break on the Tuesday. This catch up would be for parents to share any information with class teachers they wanted to pass on and to set goals to focus on this year. Bookings will be able to be made online for Parent Interviews at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and the code you will need to do your online bookings is 7rjwc.

Mid year written school reports will be going home in Term 2. We will aim to also run student lead conferences before the July holidays this year.

WALK AND WHEEL TO SCHOOL WEEK 27 FEBRUARY – 3 MARCH

Why walk or wheel to School?

- To improve health and fitness
- To learn about road safety
- To reduce pollution
- To save money on petrol
- To have fewer cars and less chaos at the school gate
- To have fun with friends and make new ones
- To be fresh and ready for learning at the start of the school day

It has been great to see the vast majority of our children and families walking and wheeling to school this week and weren't we lucky with the weather as it was perfect weather to do so. We have sent our figures through to Sport Otago each day letting them know how many children and staff were walking, biking, skating or scootering, or being driven to school by car or on the bus. Lots of parents have commented that it has been great to use active transport this week and it would be good to do this more often. Thank you for your support and participation everyone.

I would urge families to take advantage of the yellow fluoro vests that the school lends out to each child and strongly encourage the children to wear them on their way to and from school when they are using active transport to keep them safe and visible. If your child needs a bigger size we have them available from the office and are happy to swap them.

PARENT ASSEMBLY DATES THIS TERM

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 dates for the Assemblies this term are Friday 10th March and Friday 7th April.

Toroa class will lead the first assembly.

TOITU TRADITIONAL MAORI MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS WORKSHOP- 3 MARCH

This Friday morning Ms. Rose and I took this year's Te Mua Upoko children and the children who will most likely be in Maori Extension group from Term 2 onwards into Toitu on the bus to attend an interactive workshop presented by two of NZ's leading experts in traditional Maori instruments- Horomona Horo and Alistair Fraser. The performance was a discovery of storytelling, musical heritage, and a source of inspiration through this unique art form. Toitu kindly provided a free bus for us for the children.

Thank you to the parents who came with us on the trip.

HIGHLANDERS VISIT TO RATA CLASSROOM

This morning Rata class were treated to a visit from some Highlanders players as a result of Connor and his mum, Helen Martin entering a Radio competition where this was the exciting prize. I am sure the children will love the experience of hosting the Highlanders and finding out more about them and what it is like to be a professional rugby player. We would encourage lots of Macandrew Bay people to see if they can make it along to the Stadium this weekend for the Highlanders vs Crusaders game if rugby is your game!

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).

SEAWEEK THIS WEEK

This week is Seaweed and a time to celebrate our beautiful harbour and ocean. Hopefully the weekend is gorgeous and you can get out and enjoy the sea and the harbour. It might be worth taking a plastic bag and picking up any rubbish you see at the same time so we can keep them beautiful and clear from litter.

MANDARIN LANGUAGE CLASSES

This week Korimako and Karearea classes 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.

CALLING FOR HELP FROM ANY LOCAL GRAPHIC DESIGNERS

We are keen to update our Transition to school brochure that informs families about our New Entrant classroom. Do any parents have skills in this area that they would like to offer us, as we would love some help to update this brochure. Contact Bernadette if you think you could help us and we will be very grateful. Email principal@macandrewbay.school.nz

WHANAU HUI- TERM 1

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

Classes swim nearly every day and we should get at least another 2 weeks of swimming in during February and March before the pool is closed for the season at Otago Anniversary Weekend (20 March). Please send your child along prepared to swim with their togs and a towel etc each day. If there is any problem about this please have a chat to your child's teacher.

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

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.

PARENT TUTOR READING HELP – Year 3 – 6 children

If you are interested in being a Parent Tutor to support children with their reading for 1½ hours per week then please fill out the form below and return it to school. Adults sit with one child at a time and hear them read for 15 minutes or so. Over the 1½ hours the Parent Tutors work with 5 or 6 children. This makes a big difference to the children and really boosts their confidence. Usually Parent Tutors sign up for one regular morning each week. Mrs Brooker organises this programme. She has 6 volunteers so far who got underway this week but with another couple of volunteers she could put another 4 or 5 children into the programme.

CONTACT DETAILS

If you have changed any of your contact details such as emergency phone numbers and work numbers could you please fill out the form below and return to the Office. Often parents may change their cellphone numbers or email addresses and forget to let the School know but it is great to have accurate information in case we need to contact you quickly.

CONTACT WITH THE SCHOOL

The School Office hours are as follows: **Monday-Friday 8.30-3.30** and it would be appreciated if messages are usually phoned during these hours.

A reminder that the school has a Call Minder Service and calls are automatically put through if the line is engaged or no one is available. Please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible. If you are leaving an urgent message about after school arrangements it is always wise to ring back though and try to speak to an actual person to be sure your message has been received.

I am available most times if parents need to talk to me about anything. I always try to be readily available but at times this isn't always possible. Parents can always make an appointment if needed.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

If you are new to the School and would like to receive your newsletter each Friday electronically please fill in the form and return it to Irene and she will add you to the list. This seems to work well and saves us doing hard copies on the photocopier for people who prefer to read them electronically. We also keep newsletters on the School Website so you can go in there and have a look if you lose your copy.

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.

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. Could you please fill in the tear off slip if this is something you think might be up your alley.

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 this term 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

Just a reminder that any notices for the newsletter must 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 will be held on Thursday 9th of March. The meetings last an hour and start at 7pm.

Everybody is welcome to join the Home and School Committee and we would love to have some more members.

It is a great way to get involved with your child's School.

We are keen to coordinate a roster for the Home and School Sausage Sizzle that is organised as a lunchtime option once or twice a term. If you are able to do the BBQ with another parent, usually on a Friday, could you please email Liz on ecameron@xtra.co.nz. With enough volunteers we might just need you to volunteer once a year. At this stage we need lots more volunteers if possible please. We always put people on in teams of two.

FIRST SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Our first sausage sizzle for the year was today and the children really enjoyed it and thank you to Liz Luscombe and Janelle Urbahn for cooking the sausages.

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.

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.

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

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.

PHOTO CORNER



Rata Class Trip to Otago Museum last week

DATES TO REMEMBER IN TERM ONE

27 Feb-3Mar	Walk and Wheel Week
1 Mar	Walk and Wheel Day
3 Mar	School Sausage Sizzle and Toitu trip
7 Mar	Parent / Teacher Meetings - 10 minutes each
9 Mar	Parent / Teacher Meetings – 10 minutes each
10 Mar	Parent Assembly
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 6th March

Peninsula Black vs Peninsula White	Field 4	3.45pm
Peninsula Blue	BYE	
Peninsula Dolphins vs HWB Black	Field 2	4.15pm
Peninsula Marlins vs Brockville Broncos	Field 5	4.15pm
Peninsula Sharks vs St Clair 3 (Default)		

Futsal

Tuesday 7th Mar

4pm Mac Bay Wolves vs George St Rockets	Powerade Court 6
4pm Mac Bay Bears vs Silverstream Goalgetters	Edgar court 10

Wednesday 8th March

3.30pm Mac Bay Kiwis vs Kaikorai Leopards	Powerade Court 7
3.30pm Mac Bay Bulldogs vs Abbots 2	Edgar Court 14
4.30pm Mac Bay Dolphins vs Tainui 3	Edgar Court 8
4.30pm Mac Bay Seals vs Green Island Lions	Edgar Court 14
5.30pm Mac Bay Hawks vs Concord Blue	Edgar Court 13
5.30pm Mac Bay Eagles vs SFX Defenders	Edgar Court 17

NOTICES

First Messy Church for 17 ! (yey) !

Next FRIDAY morning 10 March-
Starting at 7.30 am - BREAKFAST -(yum !)
then 8am ; Songs., Story, -Fun !
8.45 am -finish !
Everybody most welcome !
Inquiries ? - ph. Alison, Elizabeth, Sheila, Trinny, Jo.
meeting in the Learning hub/library.

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

Car Pool

Any parents want to car pool their child from Town to Macandrew Bay School in the mornings and then Macandrew Bay School to town in the afternoons

Please contact: Wal 0226747394 or Jo 0226747501

Alternatively email: walterkiwi@hotmail.com

Hereweka JFC

What a fantastic response from families at our school who have signed their children up to play football for Hereweka this season. Welcome to all the new players & to those that have already played for Hereweka.

Most of the grades have been sorted now so your coaches will contact you once the teams have all been decided. Registrations close very soon but we would still welcome players particularly children aged 9, 10 or 11 so please get in quick.

Go to www.herewekajfc.com to register & for news and updates about the season ahead.

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
FREE

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: _____

SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTER

I would be happy to work with another parent to cook the sausages for the Home and School sausage sizzle at school ready for a Friday lunchtime. This happens once or twice a term. I am prepared to help with..... sausage sizzle or sizzles.

This usually means getting to school at about 11.15 and finishing up at about 1pm.

Name.....

Phone.....

Email.....

SAUSAGE SIZZLE ORDER FORM - Friday 3rd March

Childs Name: _____ Class: _____

No of Sausages @ \$2.00 each _____ No of Juicies @ \$1.00 each _____

Portobello

Blues Festival

10-12 MARCH 2017

TALENT QUEST CALLING ALL BUDDING MUSICIANS

Two main categories: 11-16 and 17-21 year olds.

Great prizes for winners including playing in the main concert on Saturday night alongside top-class musicians.

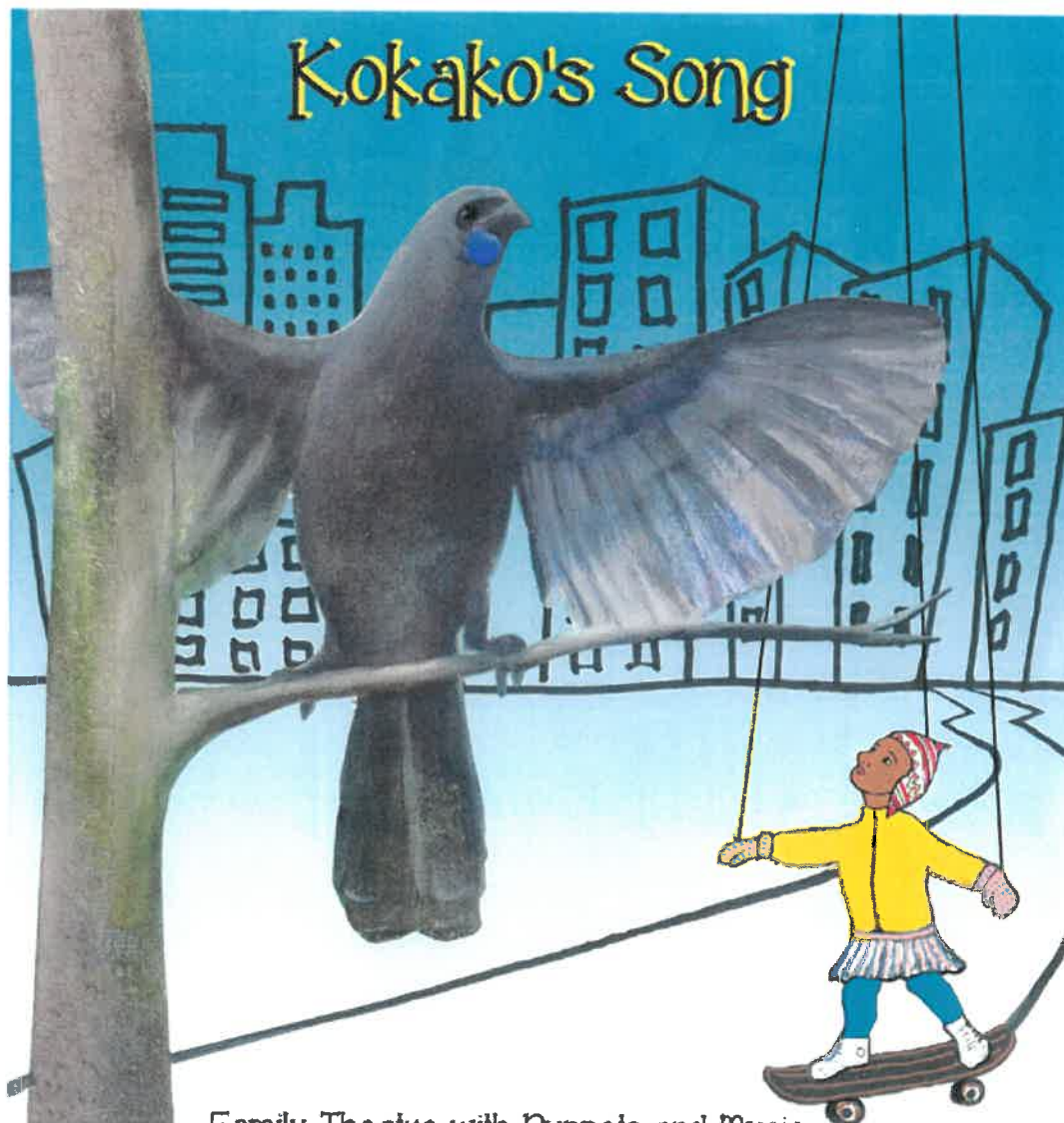
Register your interest to enter today by emailing
event@portobellobluesfestival.co.nz

More info about the Festival at
www.portobellobluesfestival.co.nz

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Kokako's Song

Family Theatre with Puppets and Music

One day only! Sat 18th March, 2017

St Pauls Cathedral Crypt

Shows at 11.30am, 1.30pm, 3.30pm (45 mins)

\$5 child, \$8 adult, \$22 family of 4

Tickets on door (cash only) or book at:

www.dunedinfringe.nz

FRINGE



www.birdlifeproductions.co.nz

horoi(a): wash

Me *horoi* koe, e te tau!

You should *wash*, my darling!

- this is an example of using [Me - Should](#)

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Ka *horoi* au i ngā kākahu.

I will *wash* the clothes.

- this is an example of an [active sentence](#)

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Ia rā, ia rā, oho ai au ki te *horoi* i ngā kākahu.

Every day, I get up to *wash* the clothes.

- this example uses ["ai" for customary action](#)