



Macandrew Bay School

Macandrew Bay School - 26 May 2023

Kia ora koutou,

We have had a wonderful week at school with lots of fun activities going on. The children have been working hard on the Technology curriculum this term being designers and learning about the Technology process. There are some amazing events planned around this mahi so watch this space.

We had a great hikoi to Glenfalloch on Tuesday and today our wonderful Kārearea class are leading our whānau assembly at 2pm this afternoon. You are warmly invited to join us.

Happy Friday everyone:) Kia pai tō rā whakatā!

Nic



School Hike to Glenfalloch

Our very first Macandrew Bay School whole school hike was a great success! The weather was stunning and it was a great walk along the shared cycleway/walk way to the beautiful Glenfalloch gardens. Special thanks to all our whānau for supporting this event as we needed many helpers for this hikoi to take place. Alan Funnell (the gardener at Glenfalloch Gardens) talked to us about trees and we enjoyed eating our morning tea surrounded by the beautiful autumn colours.



Kōwhai News

We have had a busy start to our learning this term in Kōwhai.

We have been lucky to have a masters student from Otago University Alicia Thompson working with the class for the past 5 weeks of the term. Alicia has one more week with us and then will return to Wednesday visits. We have got to do lots of fun learning. One of the children's highlights with her was exploring the technological process in making pizzas. We got to taste test 3 different pizzas, identify what we liked about the

pizza and then plan and create our very own pizzas. We then reflected on what we liked about our pizza and what we would change. We had some interesting new pizza flavours created- blueberry and hot sauce and one with strawberry sauce were some new flavours!!

We also loved our adventure on Tuesday to Glenfalloch. We enjoyed exploring new trails and visiting one of the very tall trees at Glenfalloch.



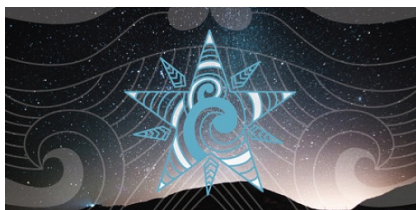
Possible Teacher Strike - Wednesday 31st May

As you may be aware, primary teachers across Aotearoa have been contemplating action following the rejection of the Ministry of Education's third offer with respect to their contracts. NZEI members voted in favour of taking a one day strike next Wednesday the 31st of May. Since this decision was made, the minister of education has initiated further negotiations with both the primary and secondary sector. The NZEI executive team have

paused the strike and any other industrial action with the hope that progress can be made to achieve collective contracts that suit all parties.

So although we have pressed pause on a potential strike action day next Wednesday, we won't know for sure until we hear further news about the outcome of this negotiation process on Sunday 28th May.

We understand how tricky it is to organise alternative arrangements when the school may be closed for instruction and we apologise in advance for this potential disruption. We are really hoping Sunday brings a favourable outcome and school will go ahead as usual on Wednesday 31st May.



Matariki/Puaka Celebrations - Thursday 29th June

Matariki is known as the Māori New Year in Te Ao Māori (the Māori world view). Closely connected with the maramataka (the Māori lunar calendar), the reappearance of the Matariki stars in the early morning sky brings the past year to a close and marks the beginning of the new year.

Mātauranga Māori (ancestral knowledge and wisdom) is at the heart of celebrations of the Matariki public holiday and it will be a time for; Remembrance – Honouring those we have lost since the last rising of Matariki Celebrating the present – Gathering together to give thanks for what we have Looking to the future – Looking forward to the promise of a new year Historically, the stars of Matariki were also closely tied to planting, harvesting and hunting. If the stars appeared clear and bright, it signified an abundant season ahead. This year.

Matariki falls on Friday 14 July in 2023, marking the reappearance of the constellation. The best time to view the Matariki cluster is early morning, just before dawn.

Last year we had a whole day of fun activities to celebrate Matariki and this was a wonderful opportunity for us as a school and a community to reconnect, reflect on the past, the present, the future and each other.

We are planning to do the same again this year on Thursday 29th June. Our wonderful staff and even some of our tamariki will be teaching different workshops to celebrate Matariki. We would love you to come in and join us for the day. Please let us know if you would be willing to teach a workshop, email either Nic or Jess. Last year we had some of our whānau members teaching how to make waffles, gardening, knitting and Art. Don't be shy, come in and join the fun!

We have decided to postpone a planned Hangi until 2024. This will enable us more time to plan and get ready for a really special event next year. Thanks to the whānau members that have offered to help, we will be in touch to make a plan for 2024.

<https://www.matarikidunedin.co.nz/>



Reporting to parents/whānau

In Week 10, we will send home a summary of how your child is going with their core Literacy and Maths skills, as well as summarising how they are doing at school generally in the first two terms of 2023.

This year for the first time this will be shared via Seesaw on a new mid term report format where the tamariki's comments

will appear alongside their teachers comments.

Then in Week 3 of next term we are planning to hold student led conferences at school (date to be confirmed).

The children will take the lead for these conferences, sharing and showing you examples of what they have been learning to do at school in various curriculum areas and their learning around our School values and the Key Competencies.

Our reporting to parents schedule for 2023:

Term 1- Classroom information evenings

- Whānau / Parent School Interviews

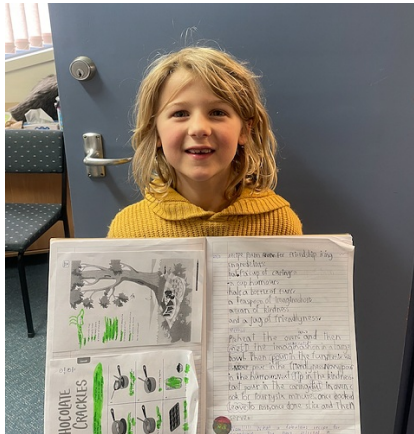
Term 2- Mid year reporting

Term 3- Student Led conferences

Term 4- End of year school report

You are very welcome to request a meeting with your child's class teacher at anytime during the year if you have concerns or would like to know how your child is progressing.

The tamariki are getting very good at sharing their learning through Seesaw. Seesaw acts as a window into the classroom showing what your child has learnt, expressed in their own voice, as a reflection on their learning experiences. Teachers are also developing ways to use this platform to set tasks that the tamariki can work on at home to support their learning.



Recipe Poem for Friendship Icing

By Griffin Holmes

Ingredients:

- Half a cup of caring
- A cup of humour
- Half a bottle of fun
- A teaspoon of imagination
- A can of kindness
- A jug of friendliness

Method:

Preheat the oven to 90oC and then melt the imagination in a large bowl. Then pour in fun, mix well. Next pour in the friendliness. Now pour in the humour. Next tip in the kindness. Last pour in the caring. Put in oven, cook for forty six minutes. Once cooked leave to rest, once done slice and then serve. Enjoy!



Welcome to School!

Welcome to Harriet Cowie who started school on Thursday.
Enjoy your school days Harriet!



National Simultaneous Reading Day

On Wednesday at 11am we joined schools all over New Zealand and Australia to read together and celebrate storytime.

This year The Speedy Sloth was chosen as the book to read to approximately 2 million kids in both countries. Our special guest was Nic Brown, who not only read to everyone, but shared some of her running experiences that were not unlike the Speedy Sloths. We briefly discussed the lessons learned in the book and how celebrating doing your absolute best is always just as important as being a winner. We discussed how reading is not only for information gathering, but more importantly for visiting different places (both real and fantastical) and letting your imagination soar. Our Library collection is so extensive that there is something for everyone,

and at every reading level.



Get Firewise education next Friday

The Get Firewise programme is a curriculum-based resource that gives children of primary and intermediate age the knowledge and behaviour they need to stay fire safe and escape from a burning building. It has been quite a few years since we have had a chance to teach the tamariki about this very important area.

The Get Firewise programme teaches children lifelong behaviours that will help them stay safe. It's been developed using best practice techniques for teaching safety information to children.

There is a strong focus on literacy and the resources provided give children the opportunities to practise new fire-safe behaviours across a range of engaging activities like role-plays, drawings and story-telling.

We welcome Scott Haines who will be delivering a catch up Get Firewise programme in our kura with all our tamariki next Friday 2nd June. Going forward we hope to be able to include this programme regularly for our Year 1 and 2 classes.

For more information for talking to your tamariki about Fire Safety in the home see the link below.

<https://www.fireandemergency.nz/home-fire-safety/kids-and-parents/>

There is also a PDF containing some more information for whānau about home safety fire advice.



Hockey photos this week.

Well done to our Hockey players this week. Macbay White had a big win against Wakari and Macbay Blue had a win against Outram (Mr Mitchell's new school).



Rongo: Atua of peace

Ko Rongo te atua o te rangimārie.

Rongo is the atua of peace.

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

Atua means primeval ancestors with influence over particular

domains.

Learn more at [NZETC](#).

[Hear this kupu spoken and get the PDF](#)



Donations needed for Grocery Raffle (Quiz Night)

We need lots more items for the Grocery Raffle, please bring these to your child's classroom as soon as possible. Non-perishable items can include dry goods, sauces, tins, chocolate and other treats. *The class with the most items wins a pizza lunch!!*

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Macandrew Bay School Quiz Night is back on!

Starring Ian McGee as our amazing Quizmaster - Thursday 8th June, 7pm, Macandrew Bay Community Hall

Kia ora Koutou,

The countdown is on - only **6 teams** left!!

Register as a team of six people. A maximum of 25 team tables are up for grabs, so be quick to register and be in for an evening of fun.

Register at: macandrewbayschoolquiz@gmail.com

Payment can be made to our BNZ account: 02-0910-0056556-000, tickets \$60 and this will secure your place. Please use your name as a reference and quiz night as a particular. *Note this is not the Macandrew Bay School account.*

Raffles will be sold on the night of the event and there will be some amazing prizes! Please bring cash.

The Grocery Raffle cards have been send home, thanks to those who have already returned these. If you still have these at home return them to the office.

Lets make this a great community event and raise some funds for our tamariki! Go whānau go!



Teacher/Staff Only Day coming up!

The Board of Trustees have approved a planned teacher/staff only for June 6th!

On Tuesday June 6th (Day after the King's Birthday) school will be closed for instruction. Staff will be working on site planning for the rest of the year.



Dates to Remember

Term dates for 2023:

Term 2

- starts **Wednesday 26th April** (*Monday 24th is a Teacher only Day and Tuesday 25th is Anzac Day*)
- ends Friday 30 June (includes Matariki 14 July)

Term 3

- starts Monday 17 July
- ends Friday 22 September

Term 4

- starts Monday 9 October
- ends *Friday 15th December 2023, 12pm*

Other days including Public Holidays coming up:

Monday 5 June- King's Birthday

Tuesday 6th June - Teacher Only Day (Macandrew Bay School closed)

Dates for Term 2- MORE TO BE ADDED!

Monday April 24th- Teacher Only Day (Macandrew Bay School closed)

School Begins for Term 2- Wednesday 26th April

Whānau and School meeting- Thursday 4th May, 7pm

Bake Sale- Tuesday 9th May (all baking welcome)

Raffle tickets due back- Wednesday 10th May

Collection of grocery items for the Raffle begins- Wednesday 10th May

Pink Shirt Day- Friday 19th May

Board of Trustees Meeting- Monday 22nd May, 6:30pm

Whole School Walk/Hike- Tuesday 23rd May (postponement date- Thursday 25th May)

NZ Playhouse Theatre- Wednesday 31st May, 2pm

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Get Firewise Education- Friday 2nd June.

King's Birthday- Monday 5th June- (Macandrew Bay School closed)

Teacher Only Day- Tuesday 6th June (Macandrew Bay School closed)

Macandrew Bay School Quiz Night- Thursday 8th June

Registrations for Quiz night are open under: macandrewbayschoolquiz@gmail.com

Whānau and School meeting- Thursday 15th June, 7pm

Octacan- Thursday 22nd June

Board of Trustees Meeting- Monday 26th June, 6:30pm

Matariki Celebrations- Week 10

Matariki Hangi- Thursday 29th June- Hangi now postponed but Matariki Celebrations going ahead.
(See newsletter article)

Ski weekends for all whānau @ Cardrona- 12th & 13th August and 26th & 27th August. (Save the date- more information to come next term)

Parent/Whānau Assemblies Term 2:

Friday 26th May- Kārearea leading

Friday 23rd June- Tūi leading



Icy roads or snowy conditions

In the event of very dangerous road conditions due to snow or black ice etc a blanket decision is made for the whole of Dunedin by Principals who live in the hill suburbs, after consulting Police etc. This includes Macandrew Bay School.

A decision is made on either a late start at 10.00am or to close Dunedin Schools for the day. It is very important that families listen to the radio if weather conditions are bad in town and

particularly listen to the cancellation notices on local radio stations (89.4 FM The Hits). It is usually on after the 7.30am news and again at 8.00am. The reason these decisions are made is that even if children can get to school the staff often live some distance from the school and up on the hills and we can't guarantee that we can staff the school even if the children can make it.

Keep on looking/listening as sometimes a late decision is made. It is great if you hear that school is off, that you let your friends and neighbours know too if their children also attend our school. We will also push out a message on Skool Loop and Nic will text you too! It is great we have all these means of communication to let you know! Fingers crossed we don't have too many of these delayed starts or closures.

You can also add the join the Otago Primary Principals' Association (OPPA) group on School Loop, details attached. School Loop allows you to add multiple schools/organisations. You will be asked for a password once you have selected OPPA. This password is OPPA.

Need a hand? Just come to the office.



Future enrolments at Macandrew Bay

We need to be able to accurately predict our roll for up to three years ahead and need your help to get our prospective enrolment information as accurate as possible. This information is really important for our July 1st roll return data which is used to generate our staffing entitlement for each year.

We need to have up to date information about children who are likely to attend our school in the future and so if you have a pre-school child or know of a neighbour or a friend with a child who plans to send them here this year or in the next few

years and who lives within our school zone then please get them to ring or email the school with the child's name, date of birth, address and parent's contact phone number. That would be really helpful for us in planning for the future.

Children usually start coming along for valuable pre- school visits to the New Entrant classrooms about 6 weeks before they are due to start and this helps them transition successfully to school. Get in touch with us here at school about 2 months prior to your child's birthday to get this all arranged.

We are happy to arrange times to show families around the school if you want to know more about the school before putting your child on our enrolment list. Just ring the school or email Nic on principal@macandrewbay.school.nz

If you live outside of zone and wish to seek information on space availability either in our New Entrant classrooms or others please contact our office – Ph (03) 4761 004.



Voluntary School donations and Sports Fees

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL DONATIONS - Your support makes a big difference to our school budget!

Although this is voluntary it does make a big difference to our school operations and finances if people do opt to pay it and it means that the children get a better deal in the classroom and the school has some hope of breaking even financially each year.

We try very hard to keep costs to a minimum for families. Our suggested School Donations this year are the same amount as last year - \$25.00 per term or \$100.00 per child for the whole year. 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 also. 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.

The bank account details are Macandrew Bay School 02 0900 0000233 00.

You need to state clearly your child's name and what the money is for in the reference information e.g school donation, activity donation, sports fees, stationary etc.

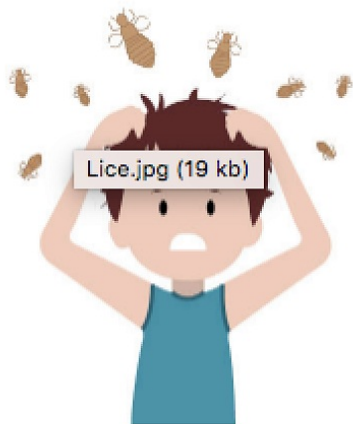
You can also pay with cash or eftpos at the school office.

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 in one go. This money is used to help cover the costs of buses and activities such as going to the Museum, Sports Events, Toitu, Art Gallery, and it also pays for visits to school by different musical and drama performing groups etc, though Art Auction funds also help with these activities too. Payment can be made with eftpos at the school office or by internet banking to the school account.

SPORTS FEES

We offer many sporting opportunities for children outside of school hours. Participation in these teams is reliant on payment of the fee by a set date. This is a fee, not a donation, as it is not part of the required school curriculum, so must be paid in order for your child to participate.



Headlice

We have had parents contact us to tell us that Headlice is going around in some classes again.

Please find attached information sheets on how to treat and stop Headlice.

It is important that children are treated before they come back to school.



Scholastic Book Club out now Issue 4 - due 30th June

Book Club has arrived! Look out for your copy of Book Club coming home in your child's schoolbag! It's packed with hundreds of books from just \$3.50 to help you on your child's reading journey.



A Wee Peninsula Picture Show

Get your cameras out for a shot at \$100!!

Photos can be of anything that is a part of life on our beautiful Otago Peninsula, A4 size or smaller. Free to enter, just has to be dropped off to the Portobello Hotel by the end of this weekend - three cash prizes up for grabs!



playball

Contact Us
Email: coachliam@playball.co.nz
Mobile: 027 554 8859
Playballotago.com

We are thrilled to be offering after school care to the children at Macandrew Bay School

Our skilled and trained team of coaches have delivered exceptional after school care & school holiday programs in Dunedin for over 10 years now.

We will be holding the care in the school Library 3pm-6pm daily.

Our after school care program consists of structured sports, games, arts & crafts, free play & plenty of fun
To enrol visit us at: www.playballotago.com/afterschool-care

Playball Price List

3pm-4pm (1 hour) - \$10
3pm-5pm (2 hours) - \$15.50
3pm-6pm (3 hours) - \$20.50

Prices include GST
WINZ subsidies available




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*Playball is our new after school care provider.
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Contact: Liam Little- email coachliam@playball.co.nz

Mobile: 027 554 8859

You will find all the information including Playball price lists on their website or facebook page.



Lunchonline now includes Pita Pit every Thursday

Starting the 4th of May (Junior pie day still continues)

Macandrew Bay School Lunches

Pita Pit now every Thursday

Starts Thursday 4th May

It's simple; all you need to do is register at

www.lunchonline.co.nz

and follow 4 easy steps to get started

- 1. Register an account**
- 2. Add member/s including your name and delivery location**
- 3. Make a payment to have funds in your account before you order**
- 4. Select your lunch and place an order by 9am the day required**

Phone 0800 565 565

info@lunchonline.co.nz



KAI FOR OCTACAN
ANNUAL FOODBANK APPEAL

**THURSDAY
JUNE 22
2023**

Lower Octagon
7.30am - 2.00pm

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

OCTA CAN 2023

Family Works
Presbyterian Support

Octacan Appeal - save the date

Octacan is our major winter food drive supporting many local people through the winter months. This year we are holding Octacan a couple of weeks before the Matariki public holiday.

Matariki - signified by the Matariki cluster of stars reappearing in our night sky, is a time to reflect on the past year, celebrate the present, and plan for the year ahead. We invite you to help us plan for the year ahead and re-stock our Family Works Foodbank by donating cans to Dunedin's busiest food bank.

Please plan to bring cans to school the week of the 19th of June leading up to Thursday the 22nd, official collection day.



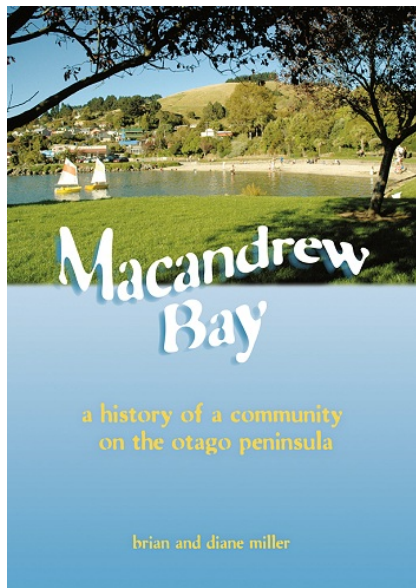
Building a Climate of Hope - E Tu Te Mana O Te Ao: a Call for Climate Actions

The Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish is to host this series of four webinars moderated by Rod Oram on Wednesday evenings on 14th, 21st, 28th June and 5th July at St Michael's Church in Elliot Street, Andersons Bay.

Tea and coffee will be available at 7.00pm, prior to the start of each webinar.

Each webinar features an eminent guest speaker, including **Jane Goodall, Rabbi Dean Shapiro, the Youth-led Pacific Climate Warriors, and the Right Honorable Helen Clark.**

All are welcome! For more information, contact the Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish (email opanglican@xtra.co.nz or phone 454 4724) or the Reverend Michael Holdaway (phone 027 2368714).



Macandrew Bay - A history of a community on the Otago Peninsula

Packed with photos, facts and stories, it covers the surrounding area - Larnach Castle - Glenfalloch - as well as Macandrew Bay. Gordon Parry (ODT) said it is 'crammed with human interest stories and one of the best social histories of its type I have seen'.

Cost: \$30

Available from: (free delivery) Brian & Diane Miller 31 Marine Parade

Ph: 03 4761 453 Cell: 021 027 911 31

Email: brianmillernz@gmail.com



Sunny warm house to rent in Marion St, Macandrew Bay

Available end of July to end November although dates are negotiable. Suitable for a couple or family. Please contact Linda linda.buxton24@gmail.com for further information. We are looking for someone to live in our house while we are away. It can be fully or partially furnished.



House to rent - Company Bay

Four bedroom semi-furnished house in Company Bay available to rent for up to a year. Beautiful view and spacious garden. Non-smokers. For any further questions or details please contact us on 022 3443095.



Piano Teacher Available in Macandrew Bay

Hi, I am Catherine Lund, a year 13 at Otago Girls' (and a former pupil of Macandrew Bay!) and I am available for beginner piano lessons on Fridays after school and Saturdays at any time. I have passed Grade 8 piano with distinction and am currently working towards my ATCL exam this year. I would really love to be able to teach the piano to share my passion for music! Thanks Catherine catherinerrlund@gmail.com or 021 090 31488
