



Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

Message from the Principal

This is it, the last day of term 1 2024. The children are ready for a break from school and will come back refreshed and ready for new challenges. Enjoy this time and try to have some relaxing time with the children. I see from the 19 - 28 April it is the Wild Dunedin festival, with some cool things happening around Dunedin and the observatory is open again.

Looking forward to plans for Term 2, the children are in for some exciting learning and creating. The children will be involved in Orienteering, senior and middle swimming, Jump rope, 40 Hour Famine, and Mataraki, just to name a few of the activities on our calendar. It is great that the children have the opportunity to try so many different things throughout the year, some children end up with a real passion for the activities they try.

Anzac Day is being celebrated during the holidays. We have been researching and building the children's knowledge about this event. There is some ANZAC-themed artwork up on the wall in the foyer, please pop in and have a look. Also, there are poppies for sale in the office if you would like to purchase one.

The year five and six mini-ball players were lucky to have a session with the members of the Nuggets basketball team this week. It was a real treat for them and they learned some good tips and moves. They also got autographs from the players.

A big thank you to the staff for the time they put into building relationships with the children, in their hubs and around the school. It is so nice to see all the happy smiling faces and hear the bright hellos on duty in the playground. Our value of caring is something you can see and hear in action.

Take Care and enjoy not having to make lunches and getting the children off to school.

Jenny Ryalls
Deputy Principal



Elmgrove Reminders

Congratulations



Arlo won this trophy at the Taieri Swim Clubs end of year prize giving for the Most Promising Junior Boy. He then went and won the breaststroke the Otago Champs yesterday, even though his goggles came off, he dug deep and held on for the win. He also got a 6th and 7th for freestyle and backstroke.

Futsal

Elmgrove Devils won the year 5-6 competition beating Grants Braes Aces 3-1 in the final.



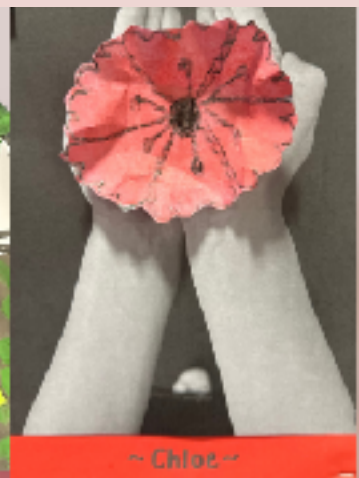
Touch

Elmgrove Panthers won the year 5-6 touch competition beating East Taieri Yellow 6-2





LEST WE FORGET



-Chloe-



-Lachie-



RIMU AND RATA HUBS WENT FOR A WALK TO THE MOSGIEL WAR MEMORIAL THIS WEEK AS PART OF THEIR LEARNING ABOUT ANZAC DAY. THEY LISTENED TO THE 'LAST POST' AND MADE POPPIES AND A WREATH TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO DIE IN WAR.

BINGO NIGHT

BAR OPEN

RAFFLES

FRIDAY 17 MAY
DOORS OPEN 6 PM FIRST CALL 7 PM

\$15 BOOK OF TEN GAMES
\$5 SUPER HOUSE

TAIERI BOWLING CLUB
GOLD COIN ENTRY
CASH ONLY

DABBERS FOR
SALE \$3

BYO SNACKS

LIMITED SPACES BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
BOOK NOW!

EMAIL - fundraiser@elmgrove.school.nz

TEXT -
Lyn 0212546454



Please support the school with this fundraiser, this is for our court upgrades!!

If anyone has any prizes they can donate please bring them into the office!! THANKS!!

Kidswest

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Hi All,

We hope everyone has had a great term and made the most of our wonderful summer days. Our program will run from Monday 15th April through until Friday 26th April 2024. Our operating hours are 8am – 530pm. PLEASE NOTE that we are closed on Thursday 25th April to observe ANZAC DAY.

Our hourly fee is \$6 per hour, capped at \$40 per day, additional charges for trips will be added to your account (the cost can be found on the program). Occasionally we have children booked into our program who fail to arrive on the day without any notification. This has caused some families to miss out especially on trip days. This has also cost the program, as we are required to provide correct staff to children ratios and pay for children booked on trips rather than those who actually attend. Failure to attend booked sessions in the holiday program that have not been notified by 8am on the day will incur a 3 hour charge as well as the cost of any trips booked on that day.

We have a fun filled program planned (see attached link). With the weather being unpredictable there may be changes to the program. Parents/Caregivers will be updated through our Kids West Facebook page and on the blackboard outside the hall. Please ensure your child/ren bring a named drink bottle and named jacket every day.

Children are welcome to bring along bikes, scooters, skateboards etc but please remember helmets! We hold no responsibility if it gets lost or damaged.

We also have hot lunches available on the days we are at school. Hot chips \$2.50, mince pie \$2.50, Noodles \$1.50. These need to be paid by cash on the day.

We always welcome new ideas and activities. If you or your children have any suggestions please email them to me.

Please click on attached link to link to enroll your children. Once enrolled you should receive a copy of the enrolment back for your records and that is your confirmation. Please check your spam mail in case it goes there or if you are unsure please email irenec@elmgrove.school.nz. If you have any questions please phone/text me on 027 696 1240, email irenec@elmgrove.school.nz or message our Kids West facebook page.

We look forward to seeing you in the holidays.

Irene and Staff

[Kids West Holiday Programme Enrolment Form](#)

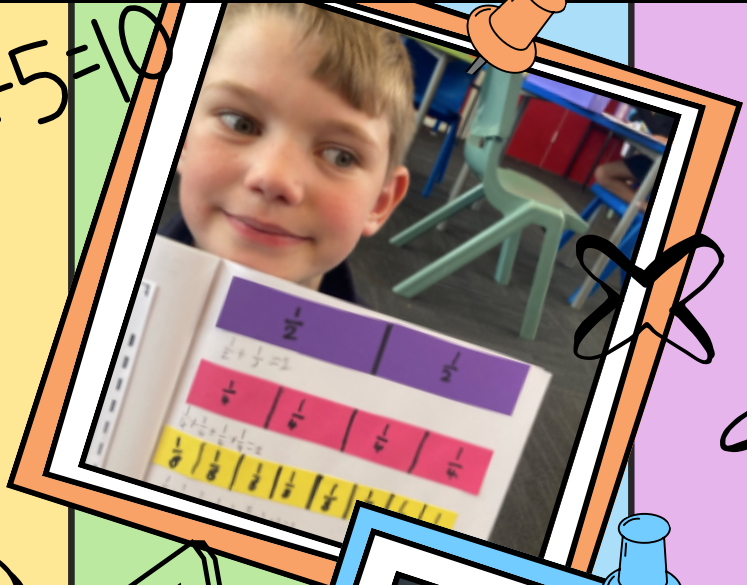
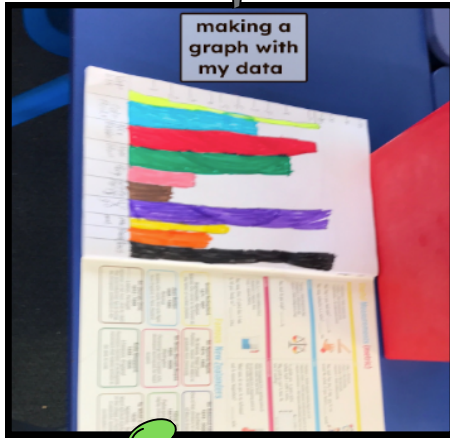
[Term Holiday Programme](#)

[Parent Information](#)

KAURI HUB

MATHS IN THE KAURI HUB

Term One has been a busy one in the Kauri Hub! Most recently, we have been working on our understanding of fractions - how to read fractions, thinking about how to order fractions from largest to smallest, identifying fractions in everyday life, learning about improper and mixed fractions...the list goes on! We have also enjoyed interpreting graphs and learning about how to present data in different ways.



KAURI

HUB

Dear Mother

I thought it would be better, war, but it is not, it is ugly and brutal, my image of the world and mankind has been spoiled by the unforgettable things war has thrust upon me, it is so dry here, barely any water, all the men are scraped and bruised and the smell, oh the smell, it is so horrid! It stinks of feet and sweat, we have only been out in the trenches for a few weeks and we are already keen to get out, if we do that is.

The journey here was wretched, all the rocking made some of the men sick and the smell of it is making the cabin stink. We ate sea water, sea water! That was all we had to eat. Some of the men died on the way, they didn't want to eat sea water or eat the sludge they called food.

Oh I wish to go home, the brutality of war is not for me, not for someone who gets queasy at the sight of blood.

I do not get why people would want this, war is not something a sane person would favor, and I crave for the war to end so the soldiers and I may return home to our families who we miss so much.

From your loving daughter

BY SCARLETT BRIMBLE



KAURI

HUB

Dear Mother and Father

For the last couple of weeks the war was going well until we hit four weeks.

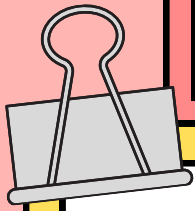
The tides turned. Our men were dying rapidly and were running out of supplies. Our commander sent a few soldiers to scavenge the nearby islands but they were on the enemy territory. We never saw the seven or ten soldiers that went there so we were left with nothing to eat but the berries near the trench and the bush they grew on was prickly. So I wondered, could this war get any worse? Guess what? It did! The German and French were preparing to attack and the men weren't prepared. The Germans were going in with guns blazing. Ninety four men were killed in the process and soon the commander named Gerry was yelling "RETREAT!!!" There was no chance for us to win. During the ambush seventy nine men were injured and sent to the hospital but then we found out that they had already destroyed it so they were sent back to the mainland. The boat

sank. There were only forty five soldiers left. We were outnumbered and starving. Then we realised we had tanks, airships, snipers, RPGs and grenades. We called in backup. In total now we had 4745 of us plus a lot more weapons. We lit exploded grenades to get the enemies attention and then Japan made an alliance with

us. I knew japanese so i translated for them. Turns out they had a lot of stories of being mistreated by the Germans so we teamed up. We could take the enemy out. Soon the Germans found out that we made an alliance with Japan, so they made an alliance with the United States. After the big war, trust me you don't want to hear about it, we thought we had won but we were wrong.

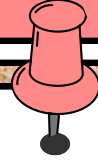
All the other countries had come together. There was a huge war .After a 2 year old battle all the other countries had retreated like we once did. Soon the government got involved. They all had a big meeting but to get a long story short they made a peace treaty. It was a year later on 2 september 1945 the war had ended. I'm writing to you on the way back. I hope I'll make it back soon!

BY KEACH TAKAHASHI



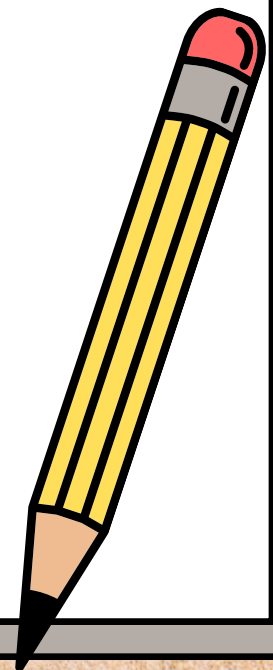


Important DATES



Term 2

- **Week 1- 29th April - 5th May**
 - 29th April Tem 2 starts
 - All Week Middles Swimming
 - 30th April Fundraising Meeting
 - 3rd May Assembly Hosted by Manuka
- **Week 2- 6th - 12th May**
 - All Week Middles Swimming
 - 10th Ma Assembly Hosted by Rata
- **Week 3- 13th - 19th May**
 - 14th May BOT Meeting
 - 17th May Assembly Hosted by Matai
- **Week 4- 20th - 26th May**
 - 14th May Kowahi Hub to art gallery
 - 21st May Yr5/6 girls league training
 - 22nd May Dog safety education - Rimu Hub
 - 24th May No Assembly
- **Week 5- 27th - 2nd June**
 - 28th May. TSSA Orienteering
 - 29th May Dog safety education - Rata Hub
 - 31st May Teacher only day - No School
- **Week 6- 3rd June - 9th June**
 - 3rd June Kings Birthday - No School
 - 4th June Art Gallery Visit - Kauri Hub
 - 7th June Assembly Hosted by Rimu
- **Week 7- 10th June - 16th June**
 - 14th June Assembly Hosted by Totara
- **Week 8- 17th June - 23rd June**
 - 21st June Assembly Hosted by Moa Team



Tūhura Photography Competition

SCHOOL EDITION

Put your photography skills to the test during the school holidays and win a limited-edition Instax mini camera for yourself, plus annual passes to the Tūhura Science Centre for your whole class!

Each student can submit up to 15 photos across four categories: **Wildlife, Botanical, Landscape, and Black and White.**

Submit your entries by 27 May at tuhura.nz/photo

TŪHURA
Otago Museum

*Wild
Dunedin*
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THE BREEZE

Wild Makerspace

Our renowned Makerspace is returning for the April school holidays, and we are teaming up with our pals from Wild Dunedin to offer an array of weather-related crafts and activities.

10am – 4pm, 13 April – 28 April

Getting Closer Workshop and Field Trip

Join Paul Sorrell as he hosts a nature photography workshop at Tūhura and a field trip to the Orokonui Ecosanctuary. Paul will share his tips and tricks for the perfect shot.

Workshop: 5.30pm, Thursday 18 April | Free

Field Trip: 9.30am, Saturday 20 April + Sunday 21 April | \$22

No Rain, No Rainforest

Bring your umbrella and experience the rainy season in Tūhura's Tropical Forest! Get set to get wet, and experience how a rainforest and its inhabitants adapt to the rain.

12pm – 12.30pm daily, 19 April – 28 April

Inc. with Science Centre admission

Keeper Time

Join our science communicators to find out all about the species that we care for. From terrapins to tarantulas, there's something exciting to discover around every corner.

3pm daily, 19 April – 28 April | Inc. with Science Centre admission

Up Late at the Museum

Start your weekend with a night at the Museum.

This April, we will be hosting 7x7 Wild Talks, as well as bird feeder and earring workshops, and our popular Pink Floyd planetarium experience has returned.

5pm – 9pm, Friday 19 April | Free entry

Family-Friendly Wild Days

Enjoy three family-friendly days filled with free activities and talks, that explore the world around us. Dive into albatross anatomy, celebrate amphibians with Suzy Cato, or experience a flamingo tornado!

Fabulous Frog Day: 10am – 2pm, Monday 22 April

Albatross Day: 10am – 3pm, Tuesday 23 April

Weather Day: 10am – 5pm, Friday 26 April

Wildlife ER with Suzy Cato

Find out how animals are cared for at the Dunedin Wildlife Hospital. Bring your favourite soft toy and learn how to bandage injuries just like the hospital's team.

12.30pm and 3pm, Monday 22 April | \$3 – booking required



419 Great King St, Dunedin
More events, tickets and info
at otagomuseum.nz



Tomahawk Lagoon Community Day

Join us for a fun afternoon at Tomahawk Lagoon featuring water quality and interactive stormwater displays.

When: 17 April | 1-6.30pm

Where: Domain Hall, Tomahawk Lagoon
307 Tomahawk Road, Ocean Grove, Dunedin

Along with learning some cool water quality science, you can enjoy complimentary ice cream, BBQ and coffee, meet other community members and learn about how what you do at home impacts Tomahawk Lagoon and the environment around us.



orc.govt.nz/tomahawklagoon

Come, Play, and Enjoy



Mosgiel Junior Badminton Club

2024 Season starts
Friday May 4th

Open to Children and Youth
Ages 8-18 years

Club Nights
Fridays 7pm – 8:30pm
School Terms 2 & 3
Mosgiel Memorial Park Gymnasium

*Welcoming new and existing members
for social and competitive play*

Fees: 1 Child \$30, Family \$50, (TBC)
payment due on fourth week of play.

Contact: Daryl 027 485 6094
MosgielJuniorBdmntn@gmail.com

Facebook

SCAN ME



2024 REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW

- Visit our website
- Click Registration
- Complete Form

www.sporty.co.nz/mosgielafc

JUNIOR BALLERS

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS / 22-24 APRIL

CLINIC

Years 4-6 12pm-1.30pm / Years 7-8 1.30pm-3pm
\$25 per day / RSVP 19 April to kath@otagonuggets.com

[CLICK TO RSVP](#)