



Have you booked your Parent Teacher Interview?

Our Term One Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Monday 11 March and Tuesday 12 March.

Booking information in our School News and Notes.

Online bookings close on Wednesday 300pm



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Dunsandel School Assembly

The awesome children from Room 4 will be sharing.
Start Time - 220pm.
Venue - School Hall.
All welcome.

Friday 8 March 2024

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Dunsandel School News and Notes

The Weekly Family Newsletter

Monday 4 March 2024

PRIDE



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Key Information in this Newsletter

- Parent Teacher Interview Information – bookings close this Wednesday 300pm
- Life Education Truck at school this Thursday and Friday
- Assembly 220pm Friday Room 4 sharing

News and Notes from the Principal

Nau mai, haere mai.

Ngā mihi nui kia koutou katoa

Thank-you to those who have already booked in their Parent Teacher Interview times – bookings do close on Wednesday at 300pm. If you haven't done this yet I encourage you to do so as I know our teachers are looking to having a conversation with all parents.

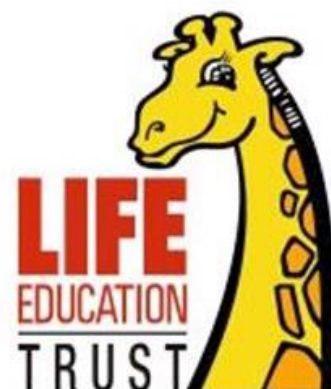
Today we had 26 swimmers at the Ellesmere Zone Swimming Sports led by our captain Alex. On Thursday and Friday of this week we have the Life Education Truck at school which I know our children look forward to.

Last Friday our Year 5 and 6 children had a bike safety session with Sarah McClure from Sport Canterbury. I hope these children found this a worthwhile session and shared with their parents what they learnt and did.

A reminder that our PTA AGM is tonight in the school hall starting at 700pm.

Swimming – This will be last week for school swimming. As always we appreciate the work Mr Happer does to keep our pool warm and ready for our swimmers.

Assembly – Thank-you to everyone who came along to our Assembly on Friday. We do have an assembly this **Friday starting at 2:20pm. The children from Room 4** will be sharing. All welcome.



Parent Teacher Interviews

Our Term One Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Monday 11 March and Tuesday 12 March. These sessions are designed to be an opportunity for you to meet with the teacher to discuss how your child has settled into class so far. On Monday we will start at 2:00pm and on Tuesday start time will be 3:20pm. These interviews will be 10 minutes. Children will be supervised on Monday afternoon and buses will run at the normal times.

We have an online booking system for our Parent Teacher interviews. Either use the QR code or Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz enter **4ykfg** as the code and follow the onscreen instructions.

Step One – Enter your name, email address and student names – press GO

Step Two – Choose the teacher/s you want to see – press GO

Step Three – To choose an interview time/s click the check boxes. Missing check boxes mean that time has already been booked by someone else.

Press GO to confirm the interviews.

Your interview is confirmed – on this page you will see your interviews listed. You can cancel, update, add, reschedule and print.

Click finished when completed.

Online bookings are now open and will close at 3:00pm on Wednesday 6 March.

After this date you will need to contact the school office to make any changes or late appointments. We will do our best to accommodate your changes but this cannot be guaranteed.

An email will be sent to you to confirm the day and the times you have selected. For those of you who do not have access to the online booking system please contact the school office by phone or come in and Felicity will book online for you and confirm your day and times.

This is week 6 of Term One – time seems to be flying. Enjoy the week ahead.

Ngā mihi

Dave Robinson; Principal/Tumuaki/Punong-guro



PRIDE Awards from 1.3.24

Room Two – Alisha - Alisha, this award is for always giving your very best to school. You arrive with such a big smile and you keep it on all day. You are incredibly clever, and you take great care to make sure your work is always very neat and careful. You are a fabulous reader, an amazing writer and you are very quick with your maths. I loved working with you on your art work and I can see you are a very talented artist. Keep up the great work Alisha - I am very proud of you! 😊

Room Three – Aiom Aiom, you are a superstar. I am blown away with all your hard work this year! I love how you always participate in our learning in class time, and always contribute to our class discussions. You are working so hard with all your learning and take great pride in your work. You are always kind, thoughtful, and willing to help others in Room 3. Tino pai Aiom, I am so proud of you! Keep it up. 😊

George - George, you are a fantastic member of Room 3. I have been so proud of your determination and participation in our Swimming Sports - you are turning into a dolphin! You always try your very best with all our work in class, and I am especially proud of all of your recount writing. You are a great leader and role model to have in Room 3. Ka pai George, you are amazing! Keep up the great work 😊

Room Four – Liam - Liam, you are a fabulous member of Room 4.

I have been impressed by the way you use your initiative to get work completed, do your duties around the school and help others if they need it. I am also blown away by your maths knowledge and problem solving skills during group learning. I love that you show determination to get things finished and that you always do your very best no matter what we are doing. I know I can rely on you 100% to be responsible and sensible both inside and outside the classroom. Keep being you Liam because you are awesome!

Room Five – Noel - Noel, you are amazing and we are so lucky to be your teachers this year! You give 110% effort to everything that you do - you are flying along with your learning, you're developing into an exceptional leader and you are a fabulous role model at Dunsandel School. Noel, we just love how you're always ready for learning and you always have excellent ideas to share. We know that you will continue to strive to display all of the PRIDE values, always. Thanks for being a fabulous member of our Room 5 whanau.



PTA News and Notes

Kia ora all from PTA!

Our AGM is tonight, 7pm in the school hall - come along and see what we are all about, we would love some new faces in the team! PTA is a fantastic way to meet some other parents, and give back to the school community while you're at it. If you're not able to make the meeting but would like to help out, flick us an email at ptadunsandel@gmail.com and we will be in touch. For parents/caregivers new to school, helping out can take many forms - it might be cooking a sausage sizzle, putting in a quiz team, helping mark or sort out the food for quiz or other quiz logistics, baking or buying a cake, donating a calf, doing baking for a catering gig, helping to make sandwiches or burgers for lunch, making club sandwiches, helping out in person with a catering gig...that list isn't exhaustive but there are many things to be done, and they are mostly lots of small things that if people all pitch in and help with, the load will be much lighter for all concerned! We welcome fundraising ideas of all sorts - many of us wear a few hats but don't have experience of any other primary school or PTA etc so if there's something you've got experience of that you think would be a good idea, bring it to a meeting - we would love to hear it. We enjoy being able to give back to school every year so that they can keep providing awesome experiences for our children. All that waffle to say, this is what we're about in super broad terms, please come and join us tonight at AGM, would be amazing to see you there! Any questions, email us on ptadunsandel@gmail.com or text Katharine on 027 307 8345.

Until next week,
Katharine

Term Dates for 2024

[Click here](#) for our School Calendar on Google. School Calendar can be accessed on our School App.

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Community News and Notes

DUNSANDEL RFC NETBALL

'Have a go days for Juniors!'

All boys and girls (year 1 to 4) welcome to join and try before the start of the 2024 season.

3.15 – 4.15pm Thursday 14th and 21st of March @ Dunsandel Primary School

Contact Louise Wall (0273055215) or Katharine Sheppard (drfcnetball@gmail.com or 027 307 8345) with any questions.

How it will work on the day:

3.15pm Welcome, introductions and summary of how netball works at Yr 1-4 ages.

3.20pm Group warm-up

3.30pm Break into smaller age groups for activities.

4pm Group cool down

4.10pm Questions

We would appreciate if parents were able to attend as well as children - if for some reason you are unable to attend, please check in with us on one of the above contacts so that we can make a plan.



Play, learn and grow together with your pēpi or tamariki and make connections with other whānau in your community.

Playcentre

"Whānau tupu ngātahi – families growing together"

Dunsandel Playcentre
Dunsandel@playcentre.org.nz
0274278374 (Lou)
17 Irvines Road, Dunsandel
Opposite Dunsandel school.

Monday & Thursday
9am - 12pm

LOOKING FOR SOME HOLIDAY FUN?



HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES - APRIL

- Mixed Y3-5 Monday 15th - Wednesday 17th April 9am - 12pm **\$140**
- Mixed Y6-8 Monday 15th - Wednesday 17th April 1pm - 4pm
- Girls Got Game Y2-5 Thursday 18th April 9am - 12pm **FREE**
- Girls Got Game Y6-8 Thursday 18th April 1pm - 4pm



FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER VISIT: WWW.SELWYNHAWKS.CO.NZ

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0274739211



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