

# Lions Basketball

Monday 26 August 2024

@ Selwyn Sports Centre, Rolleston

**Dunsandel Lions Blue**

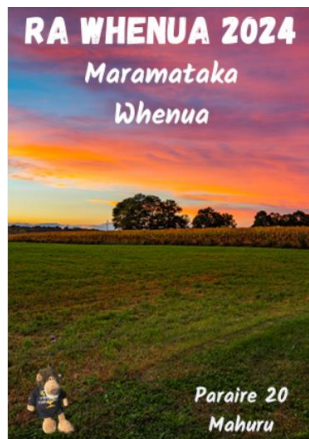
**445pm v WMS Dunkin Donuts Court 2-A**

**500pm v Lincoln Rebounds Court 2-B**

**Dunsandel Lions White**

**500pm v Broady Bulls Court 1-A**

**515pm v WMS Dunkin Donuts Court 2-A**



## KEY DATES

**Friday 30 August** All Country Day entry forms back at school.

**Monday 16 September** - Last day to hand in Pet Projects & Research Projects.

**Friday 20 September** Country Day.

# Dunsandel School News and Notes

## The Weekly Family Newsletter

Monday 26 August 2024

# PRIDE



PRIDE IN OURSELVES,  
OUR LEARNING AND  
OUR COMMUNITY.

### Key information in this Newsletter

- **Country Day**
- **Assembly Friday starting 2:10pm**
- **Daffodil Day Friday – Wear what you like day include Yellow.**

### News and Notes from the Principal

Nau mai, haere mai.  
Ngā mihi nui kia koutou katoa

Welcome to week six.

What fabulous weather we had over the weekend. Makes me think spring is just around the corner!

At last Friday's assembly our Senior Kapa Haka group performed in preparation for the Pō Whakangahu at Ellesmere College on Wednesday evening. I was very impressed with their performance and I thought there were lots of PRIDE values on display. We are very lucky to have Eric Teepa write a song for our school and I can't wait for this group to perform on Wednesday evening. Thank you to parents, caregivers and friends who come along to our assemblies. We really appreciate your support.

**Country Day** - The countdown has begun and all the work behind the scenes has started. This day is the culmination of a lot of planning and hard work but it is all worth it when Country Day happens. Please read your Country Day booklet carefully and I encourage you to get involved in something, whether it be sitting with your child and their pet during the morning judging, support your child writing their pet project at home, bake a cake, bake muffins with your child/ren or just come along and enjoy the day. Both our Junior and Senior Kapa Haka groups will be performing. There are sausages for sale at lunchtime and a coffee cart will be here. The judges are people from our community who have a special connection with our school. My staff and I are grateful to them for their contribution.

Reminder the Blue Country Day forms are due back on **FRIDAY!**

**Daffodil Day** – This Friday 30 August we have a Daffodil Day to raise money for the Cancer Society. Children can dress up in anything yellow or wear what you like and we ask if you could send them to school with a gold coin donation.

**Building Update** -The admin block recladding is complete and I am pleased to say we passed the final Council inspection! I think it looks great.

We are very happy to have our walkway back and easy access to both the hall and admin block. Thanks for your patience during this process.

**Kapa Haka Performance** –On Wednesday 28 August, our Senior Kapahaka group will be performing at Pō Whakangahu at Ellesmere College Gymnasium. This celebration will feature Kapahaka groups from Leeston, Southbridge and Dunsandel School plus various groups from our local Early Childhood Centres. Special congratulations to Melanie Smith who was named our Kapahaka captain at our assembly last Friday. I know she will lead this group with PRIDE. Next year we hope our Junior kapahaka group will perform as well.

The start time is 5.30pm and could our kapahaka group please meet at the Ellesmere College at 5:15pm to change into their kapahaka uniform in the Te Raki room. The boys will need to be in their school shorts and PRIDE T-shirt. The map is attached to the back of this newsletter on where we are meeting. We are expected to be seated at 5:30pm and stay for the duration of the concert.

**Canterbury Country Cricket** - On Friday we have Josh Roche here from Canterbury Country Cricket. He will run cricket skills sessions for Y2 – 6 children.

**Chocolate Fundraiser** – Our chocolate fundraiser has come to an end and once again we would like to thank everyone for their awesome effort they put into this. We really appreciate your support. Could we please have all chocolate





money returned back to the office as soon as possible. If you would like to pay online – please make sure you write your child’s name and chocolate for reference.

**Lions Basketball** – Tonight is the last games for the Lions Basketball Teams at the Selwyn Sports Centre. I would like to thank all the parents who helped with these teams whether it be dropping kids off, picking them up and making sure they got there on time. Special thanks to their coach Keiran Stone aka Stoney for giving up his time to come down every Tuesdays at lunch time to coach them. We really appreciate your support.

**Hot Lunch Friday** – This Friday is hot lunch Friday – Please be mindful of the size of the item and please do not use baking paper – Mrs Pluck thought it would be ok, but unfortunately not and we don’t want to call the fire brigade to extinguish the flames. We have vivids at school to write your child’s name on their item, please do not cellotape their name on the tinfoil. If unsure, please ask the office.

**Assembly** -This week we have Room 3 performing, we will hear from our Kapa haka and Netball Captains and our Duathlon captain will be announced.

**All welcome, please remember the earlier start time of 2.10pm.**

Enjoy your week  
Ngā mihi nui

Tracey Harrold; Acting Principal

## PRIDE AWARDS

**Room One – Zia Undan** - Zia, you are amazing! ✨ You have become so confident in class, and your reading is fantastic! You're sounding out words like a real whiz and blending them together like a pro. Your letters are so neat and tidy, too—wow! Plus, you're such a kind friend and always a superstar at doing all your classroom jobs. Keep shining bright, Zia! ✨

**Max Novikov** - Max, you are doing such a great job in room 1! ✨ You follow instructions like a champ, and you're getting so good at blending sounds together to make words when you read. You are also trying really hard to form all your letters correctly at writing time—keep it up! Plus, you're so kind to new friends when they visit our class. You make everyone feel welcome. Way to go, Max! 🚀

**Room Two – Chelsea Undan** - Chelsea, this award is for making such super progress with all of your learning. You are such a great reader and I love seeing your own pride in how fast you are getting with your maths basic facts. You are such a great friend to everyone in class because you always take care of everyone and use such kind and gentle words. Thank you for being such a diamond in our class Chelsea! 😊

**Room Three – William Suttie** - William, you are fantastic. I am so proud of how far you've come with your learning this year. You show great initiative and focus with your learning. I love all of your writing pieces and the creative ideas you come up with! You have also been working so hard with your handwriting and I am super impressed with how neat you are becoming. You have a wonderful sense of humour and I always look forward to our morning chats too. Keep up the awesome work William, we are super lucky to have you in Room 3! 😊

**Room Four – James Barnett** - James, I'm seriously blown away by how focused and creative you get during our class projects! You dive into every task with such excitement and come up with some truly awesome work. It's like you've got a magic touch that makes everything you do turn out fantastic. At Maths time you zip through those tricky subtraction problems with three-digit numbers like a pro. You make it look easy, and it's super impressive to see you mastering renaming so quickly. Keep rocking it, James—you're totally on fire!

**Room Five – Ryan Smith** - Ryan, you can be so proud of the way that you show the PRIDE values each and every day - you are always ready for learning, you give everything you do 110% and you are making so much progress with your learning as a result of your hard work. You are an enthusiastic participant in all class discussions and activities, and are so encouraging towards your classmates. You are the nice guy, Ryan, and we are lucky to have such a kind, thoughtful person in Room 5. Keep being you!

**Izzy Ilumin** - Izzy, you have such a great work ethic in the classroom. You are quick to get on with your learning and you always remain on task. It is great to see you approaching all of your school work with enthusiasm and a can-do attitude and you are making some great progress with your learning. Your sense of humour and love for fun makes our classroom a brighter place to be and we are so lucky to have you in Room 5. You are a star, Izzy, keep up the great work!



## Term Dates for 2024

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

## Buying Uniform

Go to the **Mainland Uniforms** website - personalised page for our school: -

<https://www.mainlanduniforms.nz/241-dunsandel-school>

This link is also on the home page of our school website.

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## PTA News

Kia ora all!

Hope you've all had a lovely weekend - I'm on a winner as Al has volunteered for the short straw this morning, dropping big kids for ski trip with Ellesmere College - bus leaves Leeston at 5:45! We have it so cruisy at Dunsandel by comparison!! What's going on in PTA land this week?!

- We have a meeting this Thursday the 29th at 7:30pm at the Dunsandel Bar & Cafe to do last bits of planning for Country Day cake auction etc, and a few other things.
- We have a catering job coming up on 21st September for Ellesmere Golf Club (realise this is the day after Country Day...), so will be nutting out the finer details at meeting and probably putting a call out for some baking and a helper or two next week.
- We also will have our lily bulb fundraiser running again this year, with huge thanks to Rakaia Lions for their support. Hoping to get the flyers sorted this week - if I do, you might see them up on our Facebook page before they come out in the newsletter next week! We are hoping to have those bulb orders ready to pick up on the 20th.
- Oh yes and if anyone is keen for a medium square bale of peastraw for \$60, please get in touch - Sheat Contracting have generously donated us 10 bales and we'd love to shift them!
- Get those cake entry forms in, so looking forward to "Country Calendar" cakes!!

This is definitely a busy old time of year for everyone, so will keep this short and sweet - and hope to see people on Thursday at 7:30 at the pub for our meeting - should be a fairly brief one I hope! Look forward to seeing people there, and if you need to get in touch in the meantime, email us on [ptadunsandel@gmail.com](mailto:ptadunsandel@gmail.com), text Katharine on 027 307 8345, or message our Facebook page.

Until next week

Katharine



# Leeston Southbridge Cricket Club

## 2024/25 Junior Information

Boys and Girls from Year 1



Registrations are open: <https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/079c7f>

Subs:

Junior Hardball - \$90

Junior Softball - \$75

Junior Season playing dates

19th Oct to 14th Dec and 1st Feb to 15th Mar

No cricket Labour weekend or Chch Show weekend

<p><b>Smash Play cricket</b> - Held at Leeston Domain Best option for (Y1 -3) who want to give cricket a go Mondays 5 - 5:45pm starting 4th November - Four week program, \$20 Registration info will come home through school</p>	<p><b>Section 3 &amp; 4</b> Saturday 9am till approx 10:30 am Section 4 Friday afternoon option Highly Modified Beginner Cricket, use a soft ball Games played in Selwyn</p>
<p><b>Section 1 &amp; 2</b> Saturday 9am till approx 12pm Games played in Selwyn Use a hard ball Up to year 8</p>	<p><b>Girls Cricket</b> All ages catered for in mixed teams</p>

For further information: <https://www.facebook.com/LeestonSouthbridgeCricketClub/> or email

[leestonsouthbridgecc@gmail.com](mailto:leestonsouthbridgecc@gmail.com) or contact Tracey 0274 195 345.

We are looking for helpers for the season. As well as Coaches and Managers we are looking for volunteers to help us with pitch and ground preparation each week. If this sounds like you we would love to hear from you!



## 2024 PTA Cake Competition

**BAKE A CAKE (OR KIDS MAKE SOME CUPCAKES) AND ENTER INTO OUR CAKE COMPETITION ON COUNTRY DAY!!**

The theme of Country Day this year is "Country Calendar" - so put your thinking caps on about how you might interpret that in a cake - cakes will be auctioned off in one of our best fundraisers of the year!!

If you want any more info, or to enter via email, please email us on [ptadunsandel@gmail.com](mailto:ptadunsandel@gmail.com)

**2024 COUNTRY DAY CAKE COMPETITION ENTRY FORM**

**(PLEASE ONLY CIRCLE ONE CATEGORY PER ENTRY)**

**NAME:**

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**CATEGORY:**

**FIRST TIME ENTRANT**

**OPEN**

**KIDS CUPCAKES**

**DAD'S CAKE**





Nau Mai Haere Mai

# Ngā Mātāpuna o te Waihora

## Pō Whakangahu 2024

### Programme

- 5:30: Whakatatu, Karakia, Waiata (Ellesmere College)
- 5:45: Combined Kāhui ECES
- 6:00: Southbridge School
- 6:15: Dunsandel School
- 6:30: He Puna Karumata Leeston Consolidated School
- 6:45: Karakia Whakamutunga (waiata) led by Ellesmere College

*Our thanks to all the performers, kaiako, kapa haka tutors, and whānau for supporting our Pō Whakangaha, and to Ellesmere College for providing the venue*

