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Kia ora parents and whāndu

I hope everyone enjoyed the heart-stopping game this morning against Ireland! Wow so pleased we got over the line even though it took 84 mins. On Friday we're going to have a 'Black Out Day' where kids are welcome to wear black clothing if they would like to show support for the All Blacks.

The first session of Kelly Sports 'Sport at Strath' after school on Tuesday was an absolute hit and we now have 93% of our children signed up for this week! The kids all looked like they had a great time and there were lots of smiles to be seen.

This Tuesday sees our fabulous local environmental day with Lee Stream and Macraes Schools. We are splitting into two groups where each group will be visiting the Aquavan from the Otago Uni Marine Studies Centre at Portobello; and the other rotation is planting natives with members of the Mid Taieri Wai. The Mid Taieri Wai are also providing a free sausage sizzle for lunch. We would like to thank them for organising such a fantastic day that we are all really looking forward to.

Congratulations to Kylie who is our new Board member, and thank you to Charlotte who is standing again for another term. On this note we must thank Amber Matthews for her outstanding contribution to the Board over the past 5 or more years. Amber was a very conscientious and dedicated member of the Board who ensured we throughly handled all aspects of Health and Safety, and was a strong voice for Te Ao Maori. Thank you so very much for all the time and effort you have put into your role on our Board and ensuring our school is the best it can be for our learners Amber.

Have a fabulous week ahead! Kia pai te wiki, Lisa Bankshaw

WEEK 2 TERM 4

BLACK OUT DAY

ALL BLACKS In support of the All Blacks semi final against Argentina on Saturday morning - kids can wear black clothing on Friday to school!

BOARD ELECTIONS

Charlotte Dykes and Kylie Hannah have filled the two positions available on the Board so no election is needed. Robyn Todd Returning Officer

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DUNEDIN TRIATHLON

The Dunedin Primary and Intermediate Triathlon will be taking place on **Wednesday November 1st**, 2023, with a **postponement date of Friday November 3rd**. The event will once again be in **Port**

Chalmers at Watson Park.



This event is for Years 5 - 8, and teams can be made up of all boys, all girls, mixed or individuals.

Please see Mrs Bankshaw if you're interested.

A reminder that payments for new school polos are to be made to: **Strath Taieri PTA Account Number: 12-3485-0016898-00 \$25/per polo** Payments due by Monday 16th October. Any questions re: payments please contact Anna Wilson. Thank you,

Strath PTA



Huntleigh, John & Alice Scotts -Saturday 28th October

Please let Bevan Wilson know if you can help out. Children aged 8 and over welcome, care and safety of them is the responsibility of the

parents. Please bring your own food, water and sunscreen.





A reminder that we are an approved 'Sunsmart' school so that means shoulder's need to be fully covered (no singlets or strappy dresses please) during the summer terms as well as hats that protect/covers ears and necks (so no caps). All children have been issued with one of our school bucket hats and sunblock is available in each classroom.



SAVE THE DAY, GET OUT YOUR TARTANS! St Andrew's Day Highland Gathering

HIGHLAND GAMES INTERSCHOOL CHALLENGE 'Have a go' day, Children's entertainment Scottish music, dancing and food, ADDRESS TO THE HAGGIS

MIDDLEMARCH COMMUNITY CENTRE AND SHOWGROUNDS

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 26TH from 10am

Contact middlemarchgames@gmail.com ph Ian 0292206100, or Linda 021816881



The Mid Taieri Wai are running a fabulous competition where kids are asked to design a logo for their group. Please see the attached forms for more info. Get creating kids!

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Week 1 term 4 - done and dusted. It has been a very active week in Team Karearea. We started the week with some team building activities - a lot of co operation and communication was needed. Kelly Sports was on Tuesday and wow the kids were buzzing and had the best time. Athletics training has begun and we are training most afternoons. We have been practicing sprinting, long jump, throwing and high jump. Min has been to work with the children on how to correctly perform the Fosbury Flop. The kids have been working really hard on improving their skills. We have been learning about fractions and continuing to read our novel 'Children of the Rush - Book 2.





MID TAIERI WAI LOGO INSPIRATION COMPETITION

Mid Taieri Wai need a logo and they are looking to you to help inspire the design!

Who gre Mid Tgieri Wgi?

Mid Taieri Wai is a community-led group focussed on supporting great outcomes for the land and water in the catchment, to benefit future generations (that's you guys!).

Think about what makes our natural environment special. What are you proud of and what makes our local area unique?

Use these ideas to inspire your design

Bring your design along to the Aquavan on October 17th and be in to win a \$30 Maggies voucher

My Logo Design for Mid Taieri Wai



Mid Taieri Wai need your help!

They need you to inspire their new logo design. Get creative and design a logo in the box above.

Your design should:

Be clear and simple

•Represent our natural environment & the purpose of Mid Taieri Wai

Use colours to enhance the message you are trying to show

Bring your design along to the Aquavan on October 17th.



There will be a \$30 Maggies voucher for the winning design!

Name:

Age:

School:



	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
Term 4 Week 2	16	17 Aquavan & Mid Taieri Wai Sport at Strath 3-5pm	18	19	20 Black Out Day!
Term 4 Week 3	23 LABOUR DAY No school	24 Sport at Strath 3-5pm	25	26 Board Meeting 6pm HPV Vaccinations Y8 H	Fern Fever Girls Sport Day (Years 5-8)
Term 4 Week 4	30	31 Sport at Strath 3-5pm	<u>NOV</u> 1 Dunedin Triathlon	2 Lions Vege Comp growing session #3	3 MANIOTOTO ATHLETICS
Term 4 Week 5	6	7 School Photos Sport at Strath 3-5pm	8 DRESS UP BOOK DAY! Assembly R3 at 2:15pm	9	10
Term 4 Week 6	13 TEACHER ONLY DAY No School	14 Sport at Strath 3-5pm	15	16	17 Science Roadshow Rooms 3 & 5
Term 4 Week 7	20	21 Otago Athletics Champs Sport at Strath 3-5pm	22	23	24
Term 4 Week 8	27	28 Sport at Strath 3-5pm	29	30	<u>DEC</u> 1
Term 4 Week 9	4	5 Sport at Strath 3-5pm	6 Room 5 Camp	7 Room 5 Camp Room I Class Trip	8 Room 5 Camp