



Bathgate Park School

He kākano ahau i ruia mai i a Rakiātea - A seed born of greatness.

Term 3 Week 2

Kia ora koutou, Mālō e lelei, Talofa, Bula, Ola, Namaste, Kamusta, Bonjour, Ni hau, Ahlan, Salam, Greetings to you all.

Negative temperatures, icy roads, sparkling streets - Week 2 certainly reminded us that winter is here! The late starts were much appreciated, but even with the delayed start times, there were still tales of slips and slides reported. Hopefully, everyone received texts from the school notifying them of the changed start time. Thank you to those that checked in with us to ensure we had correct phone numbers on record. This is a good reminder that if you change any of your details, please update the office - particularly phone numbers and email addresses.

Ex-Students Visiting BGP

We love it when past students pop in to say hello — it's always a joy to see familiar faces and hear what they're up to. However, we've noticed that having ex-students stay during the school day has been causing some disruptions, with our BGP ākoka becoming distracted and finding it harder to stay focused on their learning. To help keep our learning environment calm and productive, we kindly ask that **past students visit outside of class time** (e.g. before or after school). **This means they won't be able to join BGP classrooms during the school day.** Thanks for your understanding and support.

School Photos

Remember that we are having school photos on Wednesday 30 July. If you are wanting individual photos or sibling photos taken, please make sure you have returned the form that came home, to the office by Tuesday.

Commissioner's Notice

In my role as Commissioner I have continued to work with the principal and school leadership to ensure all governance and strategic matters are well in hand. This has included developing an overarching plan for the school with its key focus being your children's education and wellbeing. We have also held monthly governance meetings and would welcome your attendance.

This year in September all schools across the country will be holding board elections. We are keen to know what interest there is from parents/whānau, wider community members and staff in re-forming a Board at Bathgate Park School. Please let me know if you are interested on cleavehay@gmail.com or just tell Katrina when you are next at school.

We may soon be calling for an expression of interest.

Governance Meeting

The next Governance meeting will be Thursday 21 August, 6.15 pm in the staffroom. We would love to have you attend.



All orders to be in to the office by Friday 8 August

New Students to BGP

A huge welcome to all of our new students to BGP. We are so happy to have you join our kura.



Eco Visit

Last term, the Kākano team had the opportunity to visit the Eco-sanctuary, as part of their inquiry into Endangered NZ Species.



All strapped in and ready for a day's adventure.



Listening tentatively to the information being shared about NZ birds, their habitats and what is being done to try and preserve them.

Originally widespread across New Zealand, they were presumed extinct until rediscovered in 1948.

The takahe is endangered primarily because of habitat loss, predation by introduced mammals, and competition for food.



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Congratulations to the following people for the wonderful learning and AROHA they have been showing.



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support,
guidance, caring



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yourself, others,
property and the
environment



OWN
your actions



HAVE
a positive
attitude



Angitu
Strive for
excellence, reach
your potential

Wonderful participants in the Outreach Dance Programme



Tidiest Classroom Term 3 Results

Week 1: Rehua
Week 2: Haumia



Week & Date	Event
TERM 3	
Week 3: Wednesday 30 July	School Photos
Week 4: Monday 4 August - Friday 8 August	Cook Island Māori Language Week
Week 6: Monday 18 August-Friday 22 August	Tongan Language Week
Week 6: Thursday 21 August	Governance Meeting 6.15pm
Week 8: Monday 1 September-Friday 5 September	NO SENIOR SWIMMING
Week 8: Monday 1 September-Friday 5 September	POLYFEST WEEK
Week 9: Wednesday 10 September	Wig Wednesday Fundraiser
Week 10: Monday 14 September-Friday 21 September	Māori Language Week
Friday 21 September	Last day of term

Yr7/8's Second Visit to Kings for Science / Maths



Our Year 7 & 8 students had the opportunity towards the end of Term 2, to revisit Kings. This time the focus was Science and Maths. We appreciated Kings High hosting our seniors.

Some extra photos from Kindness Week Term 2

Tane Mahuta Writing Stars



Bathgate Park Seniors visit the Symphony



Rūaumoko Pink Shirt Day



Kakano Pink Shirt Day



**TERM 3
SUNDAY'S
9-10AM**



**OPEN
TO BOYS
AND GIRLS
IN Y1-6**

DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS

BEGINNING SUN 27TH JULY

WHERE?

**EDGAR CENTRE
116 PORTSMOUTH DRIVE
DUNEDIN, 9012**

COST?

\$70 FOR THE TERM

**USE QR
CODE TO
REGISTER**



CONTACT: WILL@OTAGO.BASKETBALL

Thinkit Art

Kids Sunday Art Workshops



July 27th, August 3rd & 31st

10.30am - 12.30pm ages 7 - 12

September 14th - 1.30 - 3.30pm ages 9 - 14

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Kiri Scott 0211189882

* 136 Princes St Dunedin * Thinkit.fie@yahoo.com

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RECRUITING NOW FOR 2025/26



What is Marching?

- Marching is a team sport that encourages a sense of belonging, friendship and fun
- Marching develops life skills: Self-discipline, Taking Instruction, Leadership, Fitness and Memory



Training Starts

13 July 2025
11 am - 12.30 pm
Bathgate School
Open to ages: 7 - 12

Scan the QR Code to see what we do:

- Video taken from 2025 Marching Nationals held in Invercargill

JOIN US



Michelle French (Coach)
027 337 7384 (After 6 pm)



onyxmilitaires@gmail.com



<https://marchingotago.org.nz>





SANTA IS COMING TO TOWN & WE NEED KIDS

THE annual Santa Parade is on Sunday 30 November & we need 100+ kids of all ages to be on floats in the parade.

To take part you need to be ...

- 5 years old
- be available all afternoon
- have a parent who will accompany you & walk alongside the float

Interested? email dnsantakids@gmail.com



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Giggles Playgroup

**Whānau Āwhina Plunket lead, but EVERYONE
Welcome!**

**At the new Ōtepoti Dunedin Community Hub, 97 King Edward St,
South Dunedin.**

Every Monday – 10am to 12pm

- Connect with parents/caregivers in your community in a warm and welcoming space.
- We have active play, dress-ups, arts & crafts, music & more!
- Please bring a snack and drink for your child(ren).
- Hot drinks for adults provided – gold coin/koha appreciated.

For more info contact: Tina on 027 242 3729 or email
tina.mangos@plunket.org.nz, or just come along on Monday.

He huanui oranga mo ngā mokopuna whakatipuranga roto i ngā hapori heke iho, heke iho.

Setting the path of wellness in our communities for the early years, for generations to come.

