



Bathgate Park School

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

Term 4 Week 5

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

What a hive of activity the school has been over the last couple of weeks. We have successfully started with the classroom carpet replacement. All senior classes that were getting new carpet have been completed and next week we will be working our way through the junior classes, starting with Tāne Mahuta. A huge thank you to the senior students for helping with some of the shifting of furniture,

We have just completed the modernisation of our Foods Technology room. New aluminium windows, heat pumps and extractor fans, ovens and counter tops, tapware and pantry cupboards. As well as this we have been able to repaint all the kitchen cabinetry and add new handles. To finish it off, a light bright colour on the walls. We will need to get busy putting some decorative touches on the walls but it is so exciting to have this revitalised space. I know we are all looking forward to using it.



Looking ahead, in Week 8, all classes will be moving to new learning spaces within the school. This change provides an exciting opportunity for both students and staff to refresh their environments and make the most of the facilities available. Moving classrooms allows us to:

- create spaces that better support current learning needs
- improve access to shared resources
- strengthen and build connections between classes and teaching teams
- reorganise, re-energise, and make our learning areas even more engaging and purposeful for everyone
- have everyone centralised, so no classes are isolate.

Over the last few weeks of the term, we'll be figuring out what's needed to get the spaces fully set up and ready for 2026.

Governance Meeting

The next Governance meeting will be Thursday 30 October, 6.15 pm in the staffroom. We would love to have you attend.

Lucky Book Club

Issue 8 orders are needed into the office by Wednesday 26 November.

Please let us know if these are presents and we will hand these directly to you rather than sending them home with the students.



Getting Ready - National Earthquake & Tsunami Drill Practise

On Friday afternoon, the whole school had the opportunity to practise our earthquake and tsunami evacuation procedure. We are practising what we do if the earthquake is **long & strong so we get gone**. This is where a big earthquake may trigger a tsunami warning. This is a wonderful opportunity for this to be more than just a Drop, Cover and Hold drill - it's also the perfect opportunity for you to have a conversation with your whānau about what they should do if they are at home. To ask your children:

- **What should you do if an earthquake starts while you're inside the house?** (*Encourages children to recall "Drop, Cover, Hold" and safe spots indoors.*)
- **Where would we go, and what would we take, if we had to leave the house after a big earthquake?** (*Helps children think about safe meeting places and emergency kits.*)
- **Where is our meeting place if some members of the family are not at home when we need to move to a safer place?**

Here's some advice from the **Natural Hazards Commission Toka Tū Ake**, about what else you can do in advance of ShakeOut to make your space quake-safe.

Simple steps to make your space quake-safe

The Natural Hazards Commission Toka Tū Ake is proud to sponsor ShakeOut again this year. For more than a decade, we've supported this national drill because research and past events show that practice and preparation save lives.

Here are some simple steps that make a big difference:

- Anchor tall furniture, shelves and appliances so they won't topple.
- Store heavy items down low, not on high shelves.
- Use quake-safe hooks for pictures and mirrors (avoid single nails).
- Use Blu-tack or quake wax to secure fragile items to shelves.
- Know how to switch off your gas, water and electricity in an emergency.

A few minutes of preparation today can reduce the risk of injury and damage tomorrow

Duffy Caught Being Good & AROHA Certificates

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



BGP on the Move back to school after we have practised our evacuation.



Āwhina
support,
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RESPECT
yourself, others,
property and the
environment



OWN
your actions



HAVE
a positive
attitude



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Strive for
excellence, reach
your potential

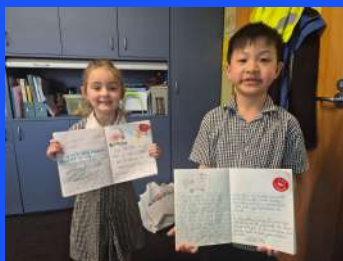
New Students to BGP

A huge welcome to all of our new students to BGP.

We are so happy to have you join our kura.



Proud writers sharing their retelling of their experience with the fire truck that visited BGP / Kākano



Tidiest Classroom Term 4 Results

Week 1: Haumia
Week 2: Haumia
Week 3: Haumia
Week 4: Rehua
Week 5: Haumia



Week & Date	Event
Week 6: Monday 10-Friday 15 November	College of Education students teachers in Tāwhaki & Rehua
Week 6: Friday 15 November	Y8 High School Orientation Day
Week 8: Thursday 27 November	Governance Meeting 6.15pm
Week 10: Mon 8 Dec-Fri 12 Dec	Production Week Dress Rehearsal Mon 8 December Matinee Show Tues 9 December 12-1.30pm Night Show: Tues 9 December 6-7.30pm
Week 10: Thursday 11 December 11.30	Final Formal Assembly
Week 10: Friday 12 December	Last day of term & school year Reports emailed

Thank You Kings



Tāwhaki students thanked the boys from Kings who have been coming across each week to mentor and support with literacy and numeracy tasks.



Throughout their time they have demonstrated exceptional commitment, a positive attitude toward learning, and a genuine sense of kinsmanship in all of their interactions with both staff and students.

The boys from Kings have been hard-working, punctual, and dependable, approaching each session with enthusiasm and professionalism. They have modelled effective learning strategies, and encouraged perseverance.

Science Technology Roadshow Helpers



A huge well done to the above students who stepped into the leadership role at the Science and Technology Roadshow, last Monday, as helpers. They welcomed and supported students from a range of outside schools as well as our own Puāwai classes. The organisers had nothing but praise for the wonderful job they did. We are so proud of the AROHA they demonstrated in this setting. Ka rawe!!

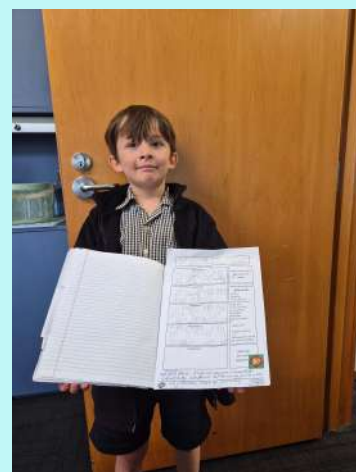


Future Road Patrollers



On Friday, Glenn welcomed our new round of trainee road patrollers. Constable Greer came along to oversee their training. A huge thank you to them and our current road patrollers for giving up their time to help with this area of responsibility. What BGP citizens.

Proud writer sharing his persuasive writing



Cats Make the Best Pets

In my opinion, cats make superior pets. How often do you need to walk your cat? None!

Firstly, cats are better pets because they are calmer. They hunt for themselves and they alert you when they need to go to the toilet. Isn't that amazing? They also tell you when they are hungry.

Secondly, cats are outside most of the time. They live longer and they sleep longer so they won't annoy you.

In conclusion, as you can see from my points, cats make better cats. Do yourself a favour and go and get yourselves a cat, so you can go home to a calm house, no barking, no jumping around -just complete silence. The best thing is you don't even have to buy them, you can adopt them. Cats are the most popular pet in the world.

By Khalos (Uenuku)

Christmas Raffle

Raffle cards will be coming home towards the end of this week. Raffle cards with money will be due back Friday 4 December. Draw will take place on Wednesday 9 December.

Christmas Raffle Items

If you are able to send something to the office to go towards the Xmas hampers, we would be appreciative. Something as simple as a jelly or a spare can from the cupboard. If any contributions could be brought to the office by Friday 4 December, please.

Health Consultation

Every two years, School Boards are required to consult with their community to review their Health Delivery Programme, based on the needs of the students, as well as to provide opportunities for parents and whānau to contribute to enhancing the learning in Health Education.

Please take a few minutes to consider and complete the survey before **Friday 28 November**. Thank you in advance. Your feedback is important to us and will be used to help with planning the Health programme for the next two years.

We would like to thank and acknowledge your contribution to this important mahi. If you would like to go into the draw for a \$100 Pak N Save Voucher, please record your name in the space provided, at the top of the survey, otherwise please feel free to complete anonymously.

THIS SURVEY WILL BE EMAILED TO YOU THIS WEEK

End of Term Assembly

Thursday 11 December Final Formal Assembly 11.30am in the hall.

The assembly starts at 11.30am in the hall. We hope you are all able to come as we recognise the year that was; acknowledge the achievements and farewell our seniors. In amongst the more formal components of the, we will have music from a variety of groups and whole school songs. A festive way to end the term.

Children may be taken home afterwards (as long as an adult collects) or can stay on until the end of the day. We are open until 3pm.

DUNEDIN ICE SKATING CLUB
PRESENTS

Pan on ice

6-7 DEC

Ice Show at
DUNEDIN ICE STADIUM
PETER PAN'S MAGICAL ADVENTURE ON ICE!

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Parenting Through Separation Course Dates for October & November 2025

October

Onsite Saturday 18/10/25 9am -1pm, Methodist Mission Offices ,258 Stuart Street, Dunedin Central Dunedin (ground level)

Online Wednesday 8/10/25 10am -2pm

Online Saturday 25/10/25 9am -1pm

Online Tuesday 21 and Wednesday 22/10/25 ,6pm -8pm

November

Onsite Saturday 1/11/ 25, 9am -1.00pm, Methodist Mission Offices ,258 Stuart Street, Dunedin Central Dunedin (ground level)

Online Tuesday 4/11/25 & Wednesday 5/11/25 ,6pm -8pm

Online Wednesday 19/11/25 ,10am -2pm

Online Saturday 29/11/25, 9am -1pm

Sharon Singer | Kairuruku Mātua te Tamaiti
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MILO FANTAILS DUNEDIN

TERM 4

Friday's (8 weeks)
17 October - 5 December
4 - 5 pm, Logan Park Turf
\$40 per term

Register: sporty.co.nz/viewform/349551

Contact: finance@southernfootball.co.nz

MILO Fantails is a football programme on offer for every girl aged 4-12 years, regardless of trying football for the first time or continue playing in a fun, safe environment.



By way of introduction, I am Jo Jago, a local artist and art teacher. I have set up The Imaginarium Studio, a small art school in Dunedin. I am running after school and evening classes from my studio in King Edward Court, Stuart Street, Dunedin City and I wanted to spread the word to anyone who was interested.

Full information is available at www.theimaginarium.studio

I have recently moved from Wanaka to Dunedin, and am excited to bring regular weekly watercolour classes to Dunedin as well as one off weekend workshops. My classes in Wanaka were very popular, and I hope that they will be well received in Dunedin too

I will be running both adults and children's classes:

WATERCOLOUR FUN • LESSONS AT THE IMAGINARIUM STUDIO • Dunedin's newest little art school
Wednesdays

4:15pm After School (Children & Teens)

7:00pm Evening Classes (Teens & Adults)

All materials supplied, just turn up & have fun!

BOOK ONLINE www.theimaginarium.studio

Contact: Jo Jago 021-234-8855 hello@theimaginarium.studio

Looking for a babysitter, petsitter or extra pair of hands?

I'm Olivia, I'm studying for my Masters in Marine Science here at the University Otago (and have a BSc in Zoology). I've previously worked in an after school care, have my first aid certificate and have had heaps of experience babysitting, and looking after pets (over 30 families). Whether you need help after school, need childcare during the weekend or simply want an evening off I am here to help! I'm also available for dog walking, birthday party assistance or house/pet sitting. I'm free most evenings and weekends and have some availability during the weekdays and for before/after school care.

My babysitting and dog walking rates are \$25/Hr (rates negotiable with 3+ kids or for house sitting). Please contact me if you are interested or have any questions at 0273737260.



Buskers Festival Ōtepoti

Our organisation along with others are bringing back the Buskers Festival for 2025. Could you please share with your community and whānau in your school newsletters, as we are encouraging people to participate as performers well as join us on the day!

This last ran in 2019 as the South Dunedin Busking Festival - we are giving this much loved event a reboot in the hopes it will continue strong into the future. The festival brings music and vibrancy to South Dunedin and offers performance opportunities for the wealth of talent we have here in Ōtepoti, Dunedin.

Artists will perform in assigned 'stages' in doorways along King Edward Street. There are prizes up for grabs for those that wish to enter and the event will culminate with prizegiving at the Dunedin Gasworks Museum from 3pm. We will end the day with some kai and live music.

There is a wide range of categories to support both emerging and established artists across all ages. Registrations are open now by following the link [here](#)

Make sure to check out our social pages **Buskers Festival Ōtepoti** on Facebook and **buskers_festival_otepoti** on Instagram for all the updates.

Thanks from the Buskers Festival Ōtepoti Team.

Eating Disorder Recovery Coaching

As a parent, watching your child struggle with an eating disorder can feel overwhelming and exhausting. I know this journey personally, both from lived experience and from supporting a loved one, and I also know that full recovery is possible.

Through eating disorder recovery coaching, I walk alongside young people and their families, helping them make peace with food, movement, and their bodies. You and your child can be supported every step of the way.

Let's connect and arrange a free consultation today.

- Rebecca, WithLoveED Certified Eating Disorder Recovery Coach (CCIEDC)

withloveed.com

As a Certified Eating Disorder Recovery Coach (CCIEDC), and founder of WithLoveED, I support young people and their families alongside clinical care. My role is to walk with families through the recovery journey, helping them make peace with food, movement, and their bodies, while also offering parents guidance and hope.

Rebecca Papprill-Toms

Certified Eating Disorder Recovery Coach (CCIEDC)

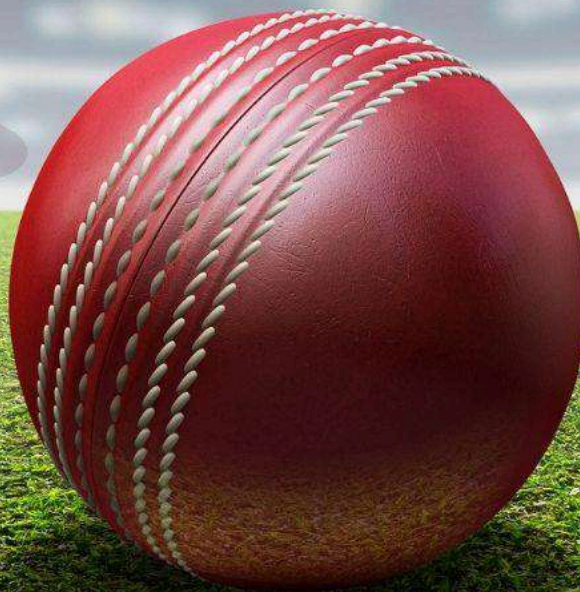
Founder, WithLoveED

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ALBION JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

Do you have a child aged from year 0 - year 8 who is interested in playing cricket this season? Registrations open the first week of September. Follow our facebook page to receive updates about registration as well as an invitation to our open evening.

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Or email albionjcc@gmail.com

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(STARTING 11TH OCTOBER)

WHERE:

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Are you a teacher or teacher aide working with a child who is bright but not achieving?

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Are you a parent struggling to support a child or adult with dyslexia?

SPELD NZ'S two-day introductory course is for you!



WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

- Gain great insights into what it is like to have Specific Learning Disabilities (such as dyslexia; SLD and writing; or SLD and mathematics).
- Practical strategies, tools and tips for helping learners in the classroom and at home.
- Journey into the brain and see how it impacts on learning and motivation for these learners.

SUBSIDIES MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR TEACHER AIDES AND LOW FINANCIAL MEMBERS OF SPELD NZ.

Please enquire about the availability of and your eligibility for a subsidy [here](#).

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members

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REGISTER HERE!

"This was brilliant - touched on so many areas."

"It gave me so much insight and encouragement."

"Presented in a format that was easy to understand. The resources provided will ensure I can have more confidence to help."

"Awesome ideas, games and resources."

ENQUIRE NOW!

adminsupport@speld.org.nz

<https://www.speld.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,
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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 orange 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.