



# Bathgate Park School

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

## Term 1 Week 11

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

We have come to the end of the term and I know that a lot of people are looking forward to the holidays; for a chance to recharge their batteries, grab a lie-in and take time to look after themselves. We have had a number of nasty bugs starting to do the rounds close to the end of the term, so hopefully this time apart will short circuit that too.

Fingers crossed for lovely warm and sunny weather before we head into the new term. A huge thank you to everyone for the ongoing support of students and staff over the course of this term.

Please take the holiday time to get uniforms washed, repaired or replaced if needed. There has been a lot of alternative uniform sneaking in, in these last few weeks. A few uniform reminders:

- Children's polar fleece or jersey needs to be 100% black = NO HOODIES, NO COLOURS, NO LOGOS
- Shoes need to be 100% black. (We can assist with these via KidzCan support if you need it. Please let the class teacher know)
- Hair if it is longer than shoulder length needs to be tied up. This is to help with avoiding head lice transfer and is particularly important for safety with Technology and getting caught in playground equipment.

## Attendance

### What can you do to support attendance?

Research has found that what you do can have a big impact on your child's attendance.

Parents who are comfortable with their child missing a week or more of school per term are more than twice as likely to have a child who doesn't regularly attend school. **It is never too early to start.** When children miss some school early on, it can lead to missing more later on too.

You can help set up good habits that will last for the whole time they are at school. Below are some things that you can do which help:

- It is your responsibility to get your child to school – if transport is hard for you, talk to your school. There may be support available in your area.
- Talk to your child about how school is important for their future, and how it is important to go every day. Be positive about school! Make sure your child knows that you care if they are going to school.
- Only take your child out of school when there is a really good reason, like if they are sick.



**Teacher Only Day**  
**Term 2, Monday 28**  
**April. School will be**  
**closed.**

**King's Birthday**  
**Monday 2 June 2025.**  
**School will be closed**

**Teacher only Day**  
**Term 2, Wednesday 4**  
**June 2025. School will**  
**be closed**

## Governance Meeting

**The next Governance**  
**meeting will be**  
**Monday 28 April, 4.30**  
**pm in**  
**the staffroom. We**  
**would love to have**  
**you attend**

- Have a consistent morning routine, not too rushed.
- Help your child to be prepared for school, like making sure they have done their homework the night before

### Questions you can ask your child to promote interest in their schooling

It is good for your child when school is a great place for them to be, and they are engaged with what they are learning. Check in with them often and listen to what they say.

- Ask them about what they have been learning.
- Ask them to tell you about a conversation they had with a classmate or friend.
- Ask them what was challenging or fun about their day.
- Ask them what they are most looking forward to tomorrow.

## Teacher Only Days - Term 2

Reminding everyone of our first teacher only day on **Monday 28 April**.

Teachers will be working hard on professional learning and development (PLD) focused on maths supporting the implementation of the new curriculum

New - Teacher Only Day Term 2 Week 6

The Commissioner has approved **Wednesday 4 June 2025** as another teacher only day while all staff have the opportunity to build their knowledge and understanding of the Numicon Maths programme. We will be working alongside teachers from other schools to explore how this programme can support the new Mathematics curriculum in both the Kākano and Puāwai teams. Unfortunately, we have no control over the date for this event and apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

## School Painting

Last year we were able to continue painting around the school by the gardens and back of the arts and food tech spaces. This year, in term 1, we have completed the back of Uenuku and junior classrooms. Over the school holidays the painting will continue. When the Kākano classes return to school they will spot that their exterior classrooms have also been painted. We look forward to sharing this wonderful new look with you. Please avoid this area over the school holidays.



## Easter Raffle Results

1st prize Card 34 No 1 Sam Cairns

2nd prize Card 64 No 3 Anaru

3rd prize Card 53 No 7 Karen Graham

Thank you to everyone for supporting this fundraiser. It is truly appreciated. We will use this to purchase wet day games and activities for all classrooms.

**Tāwhaki students enjoying the food tech room.**





## Moananui Festival

It was great to see many people were able to make it to the Moananui Festival, where an unforgettable day was filled with vibrant performances, delicious food, and cultural celebrations. It was lovely seeing pupils past and present taking part with them all in their traditional dress performing for their Pacific Island heritage. Equally pleasing was the number of students in the crowd supporting their peers. This is AROHA on display in the widener setting.



## Cooking Club & Active Families

Some of you may have noticed our senior students at Bathgate Park coming home with tasty treats to share on Thursdays. The Cooking Club is run by our Social Worker in Schools, Katie Baumlér, and is available on a weekly rotation to students in Rūaumoko and Tāwhaki. It has become something that students really look forward to each week. This year, we are very lucky to have some additional support for the Cooking Club from the Sport Otago Active Families programme.

The Active Families programme is a free initiative that supports families in making lasting, healthy lifestyle changes. By focusing on healthy eating, exercise, and involving the whole whānau, this program offers personalised advice, goal setting, and fun, tailored activities to suit your whānau's needs. Whether through home visits, phone check-ins or exploring your local community together, Active Families is here to help your whānau stay on track.

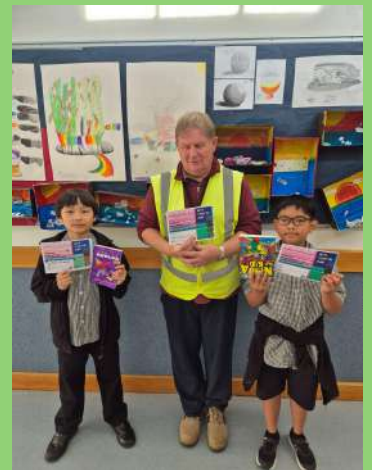
Ready to start or want to learn more? Check out our website for more information and the link to self referral form

<https://www.sportotago.co.nz/health/active-families-1>

Keep an eye out for some tasty treats coming your way soon!

## Duffy Caught Being Good & AROHA Certificates

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



## Players of the Day





## Tuakana/ Teina relationships in action

Tāwhaki and Rehua enjoying Buddy Reading in the Library.



**Chess Club**  
Each Monday at lunch time our wonderful learning assistant, Konner, very kindly donates his time to oversee Chess Club. A chance for children of all ages to learn about the rules of chess and to have fun playing this wonderful game.

Here are a few pictures of the students engaged in learning.



## A.N.Z.A.C Assembly



Due to the timing of A.N.Z.A.C Day being in the holidays, Bathgate Park will acknowledge and honour this day with an A.N.Z.A.C assembly on **Tuesday 29 April 2025, 2.20pm in the hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.**



**Āwhina**  
support,  
guidance, caring



**RESPECT**  
yourself, others,  
property and the  
environment



**OWN**  
your actions



**HAVE**  
a positive  
attitude



**Angitu**  
Strive for  
excellence, reach  
your potential

## Uenuku Statistician



## ANZAC Pride

Tāwhaki students support ANZAC Day by purchasing poppies. Our goal is for most of Tāwhaki to stand together with Salote at the Dawn Service at Queens Gardens this year. This will be a first for many.



## Tidiest Classroom Term 4 Results

Week 1: Rūaumoko  
Week 2: Uenuku  
Week 3: Uenuku  
Week 4: Rehua  
Week 5: Tāne Mahuta  
Week 6: Uenuku  
Week 7: Haumia  
Week 8: Rūaumoko  
Week 9: Haumia  
Week 10: Haumia



**CONGRATULATIONS  
HAUMIA AND UENUKU  
WHO BOTH WERE TIDIEST  
CLASSROOMS OF THE TERM**

Week & Date	Event
<b>TERM 2</b>	
<b>Week 1: Monday 28 April</b>	<b>TEACHER ONLY DAY- SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Week 1: Monday 28 April	Governance Meeting 4.30pm
Week 1: Tuesday 29 April	Term 2 starts
Week 1: Tuesday 29 April	ANZAC Assembly 2.20pm
Week 2: Monday 5- Friday 9 May	Sign Language Week
Week 2: Sunday 11 May	Mother's Day / Special Female
Week 3: Monday 12- Friday 16 May	Kindness Week
Week 3: Friday 16 May	Free - Pink Shirt Day - non uniform day - wear a pink shirt if possible
Week 4: Monday 19 - Friday 23 May	Road Safety Week
Week 5: Monday 26 - 30 Friday May	Samoa Language Week
Week 6: Monday 2 June	King's Birthday = SCHOOL CLOSED
Week 6: Wednesday 4 June	Teacher Only Day= SCHOOL CLOSED
Week 8: Thursday 19 June	Matariki Event - Time TBC
Week 8: Friday 20 June	Matariki Stat Day = SCHOOL CLOSED
Week 9: Friday 27 June	Last day of school

## Community Oral Health Snippet



# Baby Teeth Matter!

**Look after baby teeth  
every day as they help with...**

- 🦷 learning to talk
- 🦷 eating, biting and chewing food
- 🦷 keeping space for adult teeth so they come up in the right place
- 🦷 confidence to play and learn

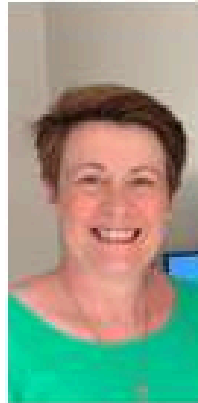


**Health New Zealand**  
Te Whatu Ora

**Community Oral**  
Health Service

Scan this code  
for more great  
tooth tips





Kia Ora

I am Nicola Ellis and I am the Public Health Nurse for Bathgate Park School. I am happy to chat about any health-related issues including:

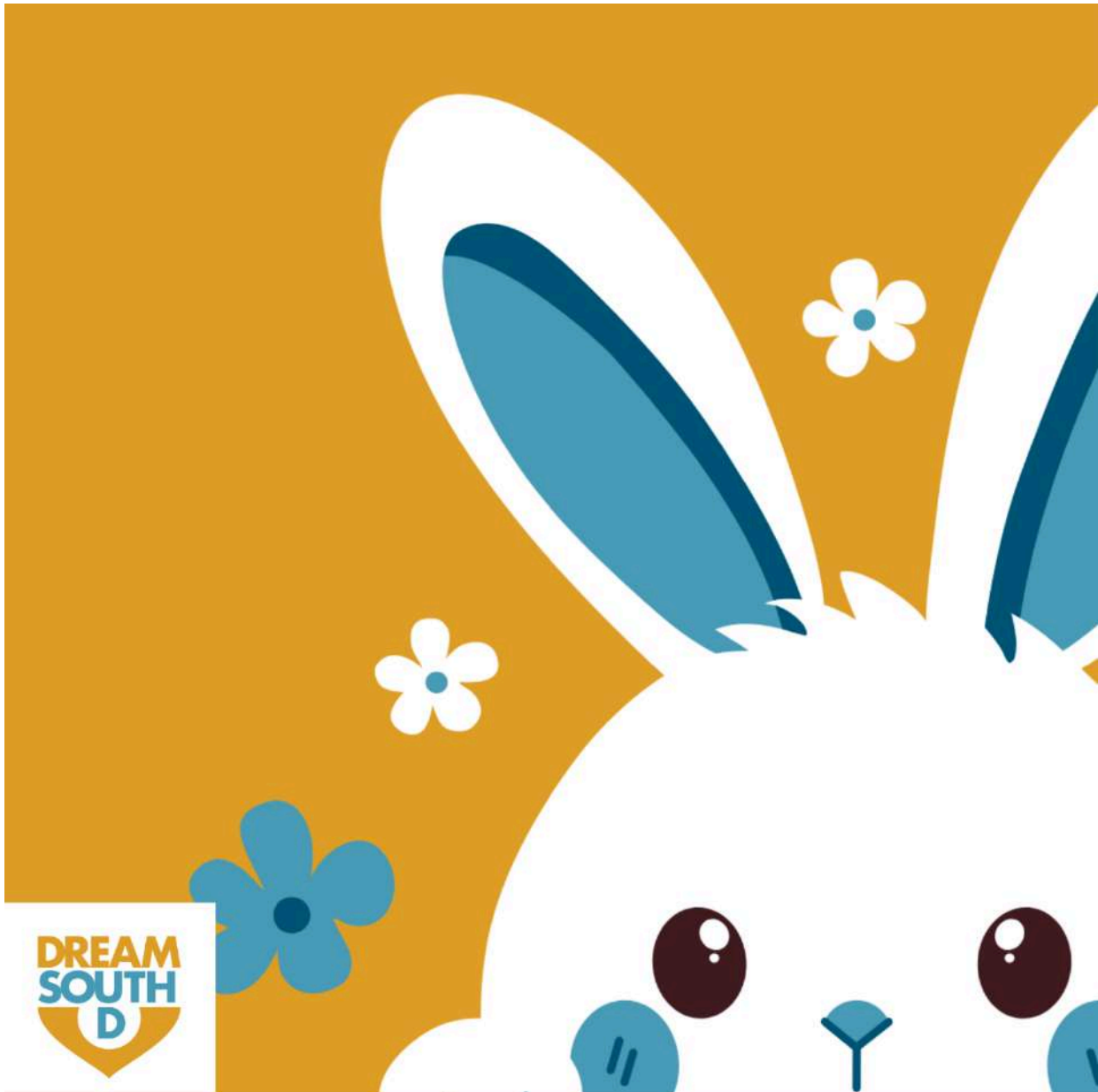
Immunisations	Sleep concerns
Frequent coughs/colds	Skin rashes/eczema
Allergies	Speech/language
Toileting	Clumsiness
Epilepsy/fits	Heart condition
Asthma/wheeze	Eyes/vision
Ear problems/hearing	Behaviour issues
Eating difficulty	Weight loss/gain
Poor growth	Infectious illnesses
Before School Checks	Health Assessments
Referrals to community agencies	Health promotion
Smoking	Oral Health
Diabetes	Head lice

Please feel free to contact me -

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## **EASTER FUN FOR FAMILIES!**



From April 14, hop into Dream South D (183 King Edward St) to grab an activity sheet! Hunt for bunny pictures in store windows, solve the Easter word, and return for a sweet treat.

Plus, the first 50 families get a free Easter craft pack!





## JOIN US FOR OUR ... AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Ideal for tamariki aged 4-13 years old, we welcome tamariki from all backgrounds, so whether you have done gymnastics before or not this is the program for you!

Week 1: April 14th- April 17th  
Week 2: April 22nd- April 24th

Fun filled days of gymnastics, parkour, trampoline, circus skills, games and so much more!!

  
Dunedin Gymnastics Academy,  
Otaki Street

For more info and to register please visit:  
<https://dunedingymnastics.co.nz/>



### **Dunedin Indoor Skate Park**

*Dunedin Indoor Skatepark is offering free skating lessons for beginner to intermediate skaters.*

*Details are:*

- Every Saturday from 11am to 12.30pm
- Located at 71 Harrow Street in Dunedin (just near the Megazone)
- Bookings required via Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Dunedin.indoor.skatepark/>



**OPEN TO  
BOYS &  
GIRLS IN  
Y1-8**



**GROUPS  
WILL BE  
SPLIT BY  
AGE**

# **HOLIDAY CAMP**

**15TH - 17TH APRIL  
9AM TO 12PM**

## **WHERE?**

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

## **COST?**

**\$35 FOR 1 DAY OR  
\$90 FOR ALL THREE**

**USE QR  
CODE TO  
REGISTER**



**CONTACT: [WILL@OTAGO.BASKETBALL](mailto:WILL@OTAGO.BASKETBALL)**





BALLERS



OTAGO NUGGETS X CROSS OVER

# BALLERS CLINIC

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS / 22-24 APRIL

YEARS 3-8 / 12PM - 3PM

\$50 PER SESSION **OR** \$133 FOR ALL 3 DAYS  
TEE AVAILABLE WITH PRE ORDER / **REGISTER TODAY!**

BROUGHT TO YOU BY

**TAYLORMADE**  
MOTORS



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# OGHS SPORTS FUN DAY

23 APRIL 2025



**FUN ACTIVITIES, GAMES,  
PRIZES. LUNCH PROVIDED  
YEAR 6-8 GIRLS WELCOME**

**9AM - 1PM  
DROP OFF FROM 8:30AM**



**SCHOOL GYMNASIUM  
41 TENNYSON STREET**

**ADMIN@OTAGOGIRLS.SCHOOL.NZ**

**03 474 0496**



**REGISTER HERE  
BEFORE 21 APRIL  
LIMITED SPACE**



# 45° Fibre

- DEEP SOUTH FIBRE FESTIVAL

**3rd & 4th May 2025**  
**Gore Town & Country Club**  
**2 Bury Street**  
**Gore, NZ**

## Saturday

- traders
- displays
- have a go
- childrens craft corner
- food carts
- devonshire teas
- raffles
- fibre animals
- social spin & chat space

## Sunday

- morning workshops
- afternoon workshops

See our website  
for further details:

Celebrating all things fibre.

Facebook: 45fibre

Instagram: 45fibre

Email: 45fibre@gmail.com

Phone: 021 522 502



**On Saturday the 3rd**  
**10 am - 3 pm**  
**our popular kids' crafting corner**  
**is back**  
(and at no cost to your parents)

**Workshops**  
make a butterfly  
weave a wallhanging  
needle felt a gnome

**Have a go at**  
weaving, cross stitch,  
pompoms, knitting,  
crochet, felting

**Fibre Animals**  
to meet and pet

(There will be crafting stuff  
to keep the adults busy, too.)





# OTAGO FUTSAL ACADEMY

Friday May 9 to June 13  
Fridays

- 6-7PM: 8-10 Yrs
- 7-8PM: 11-13 Yrs

## Venue

- Edgar Centre

## Price

- \$23 per session/ \$138 for the six week block

## Contact details

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- Website: [www.facebook.com/otagofutsalacademy/](https://www.facebook.com/otagofutsalacademy/)





ANGLICAN FAMILY CARE PRESENTS

# CANVAS FOR A CAUSE

A Paint n Sip event

1ST, 8TH & 15TH MAY

**TICKETS  
JUST \$60**

LIMITED TO 20 PEOPLE PER SESSION

[WWW.ANGLICANFAMILYCARE.ORG.NZ/EVENTS](http://WWW.ANGLICANFAMILYCARE.ORG.NZ/EVENTS)

