

### NEWS FROM AROUND SCHOOL

#### WAITATI WAY AWARD

Each week, we celebrate tamariki who shine by living our core values: Manaakitanga, Turangawaewae, Rangatiratanga, and Kotahitanga. In addition to these values, we look for students consistently demonstrating our weekly PB4L focus. Keep up the amazing mahi, everyone!

Congratulations to Leila, who received the award last week for showing Manaakitanga!



#### NAU MAI HAERE MAI

Welcome to our new family who started this term. We're so happy to have you here. Please say hi! to John, Maria and their daughter - Dana if you see them in the Playground.



Futsal started up again this week, and what a great start to the the year, with the Waitati Wingers putting in a massive effort to win against Big Rock Stingrays, 5-0.

Congratulations to our player of the day this week - Baylee!

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**TEACHER ONLY DAYS**  
Friday 29 May  
Monday 31 Aug

#### PERMISSION SLIPS FOR 2026

Permission slips for computer use and trips came home this week. Please make sure that you have read, signed and returned these to the office by Monday.

#### ASSEMBLIES FOR 2026

This year we will be inviting you to two assemblies per term. Please come along and see all the fantastic mahi happening here.

These will be held in Mapounui, 2-3pm  
The first assembly for families this term is this week Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb

#### Dates are as follows:

Fri 27 Feb  
Thu 02 Apr  
Thu 15 May  
Fri 19 Jun  
Thu 13 Aug  
Thu 17 Sep  
Fri 06 Nov  
Fri 11 Dec

**Remember to  
wear sunscreen  
and bring a hat  
every day**

## PB4L Focus of the week

**Putting pencils and books away.**

**Ask people to play with you.**



## COMING UP THIS WEEK!

### Monday 16 February

- Music lunch club with Robyn
- Futsal practice at lunch - bring trainers

### Tuesday 17 February

- Music lunch club with Jamie
- Music with Jamie 11am - 3pm

### Wednesday 18 February

- Tech at DNI for Years 7 & 8, 12-3pm

### Thursday 19 February

- Blueskin Nurseries Cafe lunch delivery
- Ceramics lunch club with Stephen
- Piano with Brenda 11am-1pm

### Friday 20 February

- Guitar & uke with Che 9-9.30am

## COMMUNITY WORKING BEE & BBQ CELEBRATION - SAT 21 FEB



All community members are invited to a general grounds working bee on 21 February, 2-4pm, followed by a BBQ at the School House.

Take this opportunity to come together and see the beautifully renovated schoolhouse, thank the volunteers, and celebrate the end of this huge project!

#### Working Bee tasks include:

- Kapuka garden maintenance
- Roadside path tidy-up
- Mound planting
- Weeding and general gardening
- Edging to playground



## FUNDRAISING OUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

Our school truly depends on the generosity of our community, and right now we could really use your help. We urgently need PTA members. Please consider coming to 4 meetings a year, 1-2 markets a year and helping organise a larger fundraising event in Term 2. Probably a bingo night.

If you're able to spare even a little time, we're in real need of baking donations and volunteers to help on the stall at the Waitati Sunday markets. These small acts make a huge difference to what we can offer our students.

### WAITATI MARKETS

We will be fundraising at the Waitati Market on the first Sunday of every month.

Please let us know if you can help at the next one, on

**Sunday 01 March.**

If time isn't possible, then donations are always welcome. Every contribution—big or small—helps us to keep doing the work that matters for our kids.

Waitati School: 02-0900-0000305-000

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

from 3pm in the kitchen. Come along to reflect on our fundraising in 2025 and plan for 2026.

### BLUESKIN NURSERIES CAFE

Here is the latest menu from the Blueskin Nurseries' Cafe. Place your orders at the cafe by midday on Tuesdays for delivery to school on Thursdays.

This menu is also available on our website.

WEEK 2 19th February	COST
Bacon buttie with sauce & cheese	\$6.00
Tomato and cheese buttie	\$5.90
Banana Smoothie	\$6.20

### WORKING BEE - HELP NEEDED!

If you can't make it on Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Feb, then we need a team on wood chopping. Please contact Willie Lawson if you can help.

Back to School

# 2026 School Update Dunedin Area

Kia ora koutou! Wishing everyone a smooth start to Term One and the school year!  
The Community Oral Health Service provides free dental care until age 18 and our team is here to support your school community - below are some key updates for the year ahead.



## Local Community Clinics:

- South Dunedin - 225 Macandrew Rd; Ph: 455 9279
- Mosgiel - 19 Green St; Ph: 489 3480



## Mobile Dental Units:

- Wakari Hospital - 369 Taieri Rd; Ph: 027 284 9914  
\*From 7 January - 23 December
- Abbotsford - 72 North Taieri Rd; Ph: 027 284 9754  
\*From 6 July - 6 November
- Port Chalmers - 30A Albertson Ave; Ph: 027 284 9954  
\*From 13 July - 1 October



Keep an eye out for the two handy oral health tips we'll send out each term, for your school to share via newsletters or social media



\*Dates subject to change  
For appointments outside these dates please call  
**0800 672 543**



Light the mind, Fire the heart  
& Engage the Whānau

## OPEN NOW

2026

## Enrolments



Structured Literacy & Math  
Small classes  
Sense of community  
Passionate staff



Turangawaewae - Belonging  
Kotahitanga - Unity  
Rangatiratanga - Leadership  
Manaakitanga - Care & Respect



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# Dash & Splash

1PM, SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2026  
PORT CHALMERS SWIM CLUB

- 5-6 years: Run 800m & Swim 20m (2 widths)
- 7-9 years: Run 800m & Swim 40m (4 widths)
- 10-11 years: Run 1.5km & Swim 60m (2 lengths)
- 12-14 years: Run 2km & Swim 150m (5 lengths)



Scan QR code to register online or go to:  
[bit.ly/2026dashsplash](https://bit.ly/2026dashsplash)  
Keep updated on FB: /portchalmersswimclub



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## ENROLMENTS OPEN!

FREE TRIAL SESSIONS: 18-27 FEBRUARY

- Dunedin Children's Choir enrolments are now open for:
- **Junior Choir** (7-10yrs): 3.45 - 4.45pm on Wednesdays
  - **Senior Choir** (11-16yrs): 5-6.30pm on Wednesdays
  - **Lower Voices Choir** (11-16yrs): 4.30-5.30pm on Fridays

All rehearsals are held in Roslyn. \$40 per term. All welcome.

EMAIL us to enrol or to book a FREE trial!

**ENROL NOW** @ [dunedinchildrenschoir@gmail.com](mailto:dunedinchildrenschoir@gmail.com)



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## Waitati School House Available for Immediate Rent!

All enquiries to:

[schoolhouse@waitati.school.nz](mailto:schoolhouse@waitati.school.nz)

