

UPCOMING EVENTS		MEETINGS	
Mon-Wed 26 - 28 May	Marjorie Theyer Visit Sue Simpson Visit	Thurs 29 th May 7.00pm	Proprietors Meeting
Tuesday 27 th May 7.30pm	Sue Simpson speaking about Temperaments	Thurs 5 th June 7.30pm	KMC Meeting At school
Wednesday 28 th May 12 noon	St Michael's Chorale Performance at Library	Thurs 12 th June 7.15pm	BOT Meeting
Wednesday 28 th May 7:30 pm	Kindergarten Parent Education on starting school		

SCHOOL NEWS

A welcome to Sue Simpson who is visiting and will be giving the children Eurythmy lessons this week. Adult Eurythmy: Parents are invited to join the teachers for a Eurythmy session this Tuesday at 3.15 in the bottom class room.

Sue will also be giving a talk on the temperaments. As teachers use their knowledge of the children's temperaments to design lessons and understand the children's responses and ways of being with each other, it will be an enlightening experience for parents and interested community members to hear this talk.

For the netballers, Leanne Hanson (Larissa's Mum) can take the children this week. The children will know what time they are playing.

The BIG CONCERT

Come one, come all to hear the wonderful St Michael's Chorale performing THIS WEDNESDAY at the city library. Last year the children did a wonderful performance and we have new songs and a surprise or two in the program.

We will need help with transport to the library, leaving school at 11.00am. Please let Brenda know how many children you can take.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

We are pleased to welcome Marjorie Theyer to the kindergarten and school. Marjorie will give a talk on Wednesday night at 7.30pm about the value of Steiner Education and answer your questions. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn more about the benefits of your child starting formal schooling a little later. This is the night you need a baby sitter and both parents try to come to help understand the reasons behind the Steiner philosophy.

Roslyn

Kindergarten Sock Fundraiser

Many thanks to everyone who has ordered socks and supported this fundraiser. We are expecting our socks to arrive early this week and then they can be distributed to all our feet. We'll announce the grand total we raised in next week's newsletter.

PLAYGROUP NEWS

Last Wednesday was the last Playgroup session in the school classroom. The Playgroup would like to thank the teachers and children who allowed us to use their space in the months gone by, and we recognise the challenge in packing up and moving three classes each week.

Playgroup would also like to thank everyone who helped in finding an alternative space and for their support in this transition.

This week (Wednesday 28th May) the Playgroup will be meeting at Ravensbourne Hall at 10.30am. We will be visited by Marjorie Theyer, the Steiner Federation's early childhood advisor.

Brenda Palmer, our Playgroup coordinator, has resigned but we hope to see her back at some stage. Her hard work and commitment in building up a healthy playgroup has been much appreciated. Thank you Brenda!

CRAFT GROUP NEWS

Sunday 1 st June	10am to 3pm	Make a doll with Cecil. Free workshop if you donate your doll to the craft group, or \$25 if you keep it. Bring some food to share.
Tuesday 3 rd June	9am to 1pm At Ravensbourne hall	Flax stalk boat workshop with Christophe. Bring your lunch.
Sunday 29 th June	10am to 3pm	Candle making with Marie & Emmeline. Bring family and friends. Children under supervision welcome.

Community Notices

Community notices in our newsletter will appear for one week only and may be edited to accommodate space. If you wish to place a notice please email your notice to office@dunedin.steiner.school.nz

Marie is always looking for glass jars with lids, large or small, please let her know by ringing 471-2181.

Community Choir

The next Community Choir is on **Wednesday 11 June at 6:00pm**. Please bring music or a song to share. See you there!

Organic co-op Biodynamic fruit from Marahau. My friends now have green and golden kiwifruit and the feijoas ready to send. Apparently the kiwis are nice and firm for sending and ripen well with an apple in the bowl. Freight for one box is \$15 and holds approx 14kg of fruit. You can mix fruits in your box order. Prices: feijoas \$2.50/kg, golden kiwifruit \$3, green kiwifruit \$2 /kg. We have been eating their fruit for a few seasons and it's great. Orders to Tracy by Friday please 478 0411 or tracy@sculpture.co.nz.

Mathew Robertson and Fiona Shaw-Robertson are offering classes in art – drawing and design, painting, sculpture, pottery, print-making, mask-making – suitable for 5 -13 year olds, after school and during school holidays. For details see notice on school notice board or contact teachers on 472 8072 cell. 021 114 7971

Email: ma-fiarts@clear.net.nz

The Otago Art Society is again running its popular Youth Art Awards. The Exhibition is scheduled in term three with the opening on Sunday September 7th at 2.30 pm.

The theme is open with sections for ages 5-7, 8-10, and 11-13. Three prizes in the form of vouchers will be awarded in each section. All children will be presented with certificates acknowledging their participation. See notice on notice board.

Hampden Energy Efficiency Expo

Presentations . Information stands . Demonstrations

Monday 2nd June

10am – 4pm

Hampden Community Hall

See school notice board for further details.

Organic C-op:

We have some extra rice available for purchase from the last co-op order. It is organic Australian medium grain brown rice. The cost, including GST and freight is \$5/kg. Please contact Junko or Tracy (tracy@sculpture.co.nz - 478 0411) if you would like to purchase some.

I am feeling ready to pass on the co-op co-ordination. I am happy to do one more and it would be really good to have the new person involved with the next order as a way of getting the hang of what's involved. I would say each order is probably a couple of hours to collate the order together, an hour or so to divvy it up, and a couple of hours to work out how much everyone owes. There are also phone calls to work out wrong supplies etc and a bit of chasing up here and there. Anyone interested?

thanks, Tracy

Puaka/Matariki Family Day

Art. Card-making. Mosaic-making. Weaving. Stories. Family fun

It's Free !

Saturday 10am – 2pm, 14th June 2008

at Approach Community Learning Centre, 177 Mornington Road

Lunch Provided.

Contact Alex on 487 7959 or 027 321 6169 to book a place.

The Otago Rock and Mineral Club- a great family hobby

This club is for people who are interested in minerals, fossils, micro-mounted minerals, carving, cabochon making and silversmithing or just a general interest in geology. The age group seems to range from one to 80 odd. Minerals and specimens can be swapped or bought. There is a library on Geology, fossils and minerals etc. that patrons are welcome to borrow from.

The Otago Rock and Mineral Club meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7.30pm. The club is situated at 53 Malvern street, north east Valley, Dunedin, New Zealand. The post Box Number is PO Box 440.

Prospective members are welcome to come and visit for 2 months before they join the club. We have competitions every month and points are awarded to the monthly winners. These go towards a prize silver cup that is awarded at the Christmas function. There are separate adult's competitions and children's.

We have a speaker once a month and because there is close contact with the Geology department, University of Otago, we often get talented people from there to talk, as well as visiting Rock hounds and others.

We have field trips on the Sunday following the meeting and there are many interesting places to fossick for fossils or minerals within an hours drive of Dunedin. In the last few months we have had trips to Akatore (For rhodonite), Toko Mouth (For Fossils like sharks teeth, turatellas and bivalves), the Palmerston River (For Gold Panning), and Blackhead Quarry for Zeolites like Natrolite, Thompsonite and Phillipsite. At times we have weekend trips to visit rock sites further a field. There are experienced rock hounds who can identify most minerals around New Zealand.

We keep our fees low so that families can easily participate in club activities. There are a growing number of club members especially those with school age children. Older members of the club encourage the younger ones and often give them minerals they have extra of, to encourage them in their new hobby.