

NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS		MEETINGS	
Tuesday 20 October	Anthroposophical Doctor's visit to the school	Wednesday 14 October 9am	Kindergarten Management Committee
Sunday 1 November 11am to 3pm	The Fair	Thursday 15 October 7:00 pm	Proprietors Meeting
Monday 26 October	Labour Day – no kindergarten or school	Thursday 29 October 7:15 pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday 27 October	Teacher only day for school and kindergarten	Thursday 10 December 7:15 pm	Board of Trustees Meeting

"The heart of the Waldorf method is that education is an art – it must speak to the child's experience. To educate the whole child, his heart and his will must be reached, as well as the mind."

Rudolf Steiner

FROM THE OFFICE

Anthroposophical Doctor's visit

Next Tuesday (20th) Doctor Michael Sargeant is visiting the school. His insight is very helpful to the teachers when he observes the classes in the morning. He also offers sessions to individuals in the afternoon if any parents would like to take advantage of his visit. Please let the office know if you would like a session booked with Dr Sargeant. The cost is \$75 for 30 minutes. Attached to the newsletter is an information sheet on Anthroposophical Medicine.

Working Bee

There will be a working bee on the 18 October from 10am to 2pm to tidy up the place.

To remove the blackberry below class 3's yurt;

To finish putting the stones around the yurts and rejuvenate paths,

To spring-clean all classrooms. Come with \$2 for a sausage sizzle!

Organic Hamper Raffle Tickets

Please return your sold raffle tickets, along with the money, into the office this week. If you are confident you can sell all of them but haven't yet, then you may have an extra week but any incomplete sheets need to be back in this week so we can collate them for selling at the Farmers Market and Fair. There are a couple of sheets of 10 tickets available from the office if you are keen to sell a few more - go on, you know you want to! Please write your name on the master sheet so we know where they went. I can make up more if needed - let me know via email (tracy@sculpture.co.nz) or Ph 478 0411. Thanks for your efforts in selling these. Tracy

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Clothes clothes, more and more'
 Please keep them coming through the door.
 Some beautiful ones are coming through,
 But even more would really do!
 Remember natural fibres and clothes all cleaned
 Let's raise lots of money to help the school gleam!

Sarah

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More **fair posters** are available and will be distributed to the school children today. If you would like more copies then come to the office or phone up and we can send them home with your children.

Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

Many thanks to Monika, Anna, Anne, Alice, Liqin, Brenda, Liz, Jesse, Clare and Kieran for their help with the Sausage Sizzle fundraiser last Saturday at Mega Mitre 10. Your help was much appreciated and made it all possible. We made a profit of nearly \$500, which will contribute significantly to the building of a climbing wall for our school children.

There are 43 sausages remaining and it's been suggested we sell them as a sausage sizzle at our working bee this Sunday for all the hard, hungry workers! So bring along a \$2 dollar coin and enjoy a sizzling sausage (bread, onions and sauce included).

Thank You! Angela

Vision and Hearing

The Vision and Hearing technician is visiting the school on 6 November at 9am to see any new entrants and she is visiting the kindergarten on 27 October to see children who have turned four since her last visit and any new entrants. If you have any concerns that you would like her to look at then let the office know.

PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

This week's Yurt sweepers are Wood and Kimura. The new schedule for this term is attached. Remember that if you cannot cover your week please arrange to swap with another family.

Yurt Sweeping Roster Term 4

If this week does not suit you please try to swap with another family or contact Linda.

Sweeping duty consists of - Sweeping the yurt twice during the week preferably on Tuesday and Thursday either before or after school (each yurt has its own broom, dustpan and brush) and bringing a bag of kindling for fire starting during the week.

Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Class 3	Wood	Holloway	Cohen	Miles	Mullins	Degas	Noyes	Wood	Holloway	Cohen

Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Class1/2	Kimura	Schweikert	Cain	Barriga	Cunningham	McAuley	Walrond	Oswald	Kimura	Schweikert

Class 3

I spent a week of the holidays beginning the Extra Lesson training course for identifying and working with learning challenges, and have returned inspired and with a greater understanding of Steiner Education. We begin the term with our final maths main lesson for the year – Measuring Capacity and a review of all earlier Maths. Throughout this term the children will be involved in an extensive program of exercises which come out of the Extra Lesson. We will embark on part-singing and recorder-playing. Homework will be sent home for the first 6 weeks only – spelling and maths. We will be having a day out and sleep-over in the yurt early in November. More details later! *Brenda*

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Welcome back to everyone after the holidays. We extend a special welcome to Lukas Vandervis who started in the kowhai room today.

Thank you very much to Mark Cain who has put an edging round the woodchips under the swings and revamped the area.

The teachers very much enjoyed the Steiner Kindergarten teachers conference up at Te Ra School near Wellington. They relished the basket making and singing and other craft activities as well as the more philosophical learning such as the talk from the anthroposophical doctor.

PLAYGROUP NEWS

Playgroup starts again this week. The Waitati Group is on Wednesday mornings and we will now have 3 sessions here at Maia – Wednesday afternoons, and two on Fridays (9 to 11 and 11 to 1pm)

CRAFT GROUP

First of all, thank you for all the people creating lovely things during holidays!

We are gearing up for the fair. Please join us for making beautiful transparent window-star (using special transparent kite paper from Germany) and/or 3D Origami mobile kit (using traditional Japanese original paper). They are simple but really interesting things to learn. And the more people, the better!

Tuesday 13th Oct 9:00 – 15:00	Ravensbourne Hall	Transparent window-star / 3D Origami mobile kit Please bring a pair of scissors and a ruler.
Tuesday 20 th Oct 9:00 – 13:00	Ravensbourne Hall	Workshop with Marie – watch this space!
Tuesday 27 th Oct	Front Office	Preparation for the Fair – pricing and labelling

Community Notices

Community notices in our newsletter will normally 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

Olympic Fundraisers

Sauerkraut for sale

Honest, home produced lacto fermented Sauerkraut for sale - \$10 per kg.

Horse manure

\$1 for a supermarket bag. Can deliver to school.

Please contact Malgosia (482 2559) or leave an order in the office or with Ola for either of the above. All proceeds go towards the Class 5 trip to the Hastings Olympiad

ROOSTERS

A friend has two roosters to give away: 1 golden Silkie, 1 Wyandotte. If you are interested contact Katja

Hessian Sacks

Anyone interested in these through Terra Nova? 20 cents a sack. See Clare.