

# NEWSLETTER

## RUDOLF STEINER TRUST OTAGO

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UPCOMING EVENTS		MEETINGS	
<b>Thursday 9 April</b> 12 noon	<b>Harvest Festival</b> <i>Last Day of Term</i>	<b>Thursday 2 April</b> 7.15pm	<b>BOT</b>
<b>Monday 27 April</b>	<b>First day Term 2</b>	<b>Wednesday 6 May</b> 9.15am At school	<b>KMC</b>
<b>Friday 8 May</b>	<b>Ice Skating starts</b>		
<b>Thursday 28 May</b> 12.30pm	<b>St Michael's Chorale</b> City library		

### FROM THE OFFICE

#### Working Bee – Thank you

Thank you to all who helped at our working Bee on Friday afternoon. Norman has trimmed and tidied the trees and the ditch diggers got the drainage system well underway and put in a small path down from the field to the yurts. Merrall was also here fixing up class 3/4 yurt. It was a productive and sociable afternoon. Thank you also to Rennie and Lea- Ann for looking after the younger children while we worked. If anyone is free again this afternoon to continue the ditch work then please let the office know.

Clare

#### BULB FUNDRAISER

Stock not available now 2009 :

**Code 502 Allium Spaerocephalon**

**Code 475 Crocus Negro Boy**

Code 407 Freesia Double Honeymoon Code 403 Freesia Double Pink Code 402 Freesia Double White

**Code 521 Fritillaria Camschatcencis**

**Code 372 Iris Dwarf Gordon**

Any Lachenalia

**Code 201 Tete-a-Tete**

Code 782 Tulip Peony Montreux Code 428 Gladi Amanda Mahy Code 315 Iris Hildegarde Code 317 Iris Prof Blauu

Code 981 Soap Goatsmilk

*Not available at all:*

Plant Health Code 990 Soil Concentrate Code 991 Foliar Spray Code 992 Garlic Spray Face Cream

Healing Salve Hand Cream

### PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

We begin our third season of ice skating on Friday 8 May. Thanks to the continued generosity of the ice stadium we continue to skate for way below the usual cost - \$5 per head. The session will be from 1.30 to 2.30 pm. As the children bring their stringed instruments on Fridays, pick up will probably need to be at school at 3pm. We certainly cannot manage taking 8 cellos to the rink! Costs will be covered by the activity fee.

A winter camp is planned for early term 3 - details next term.

Thank you to Linda, Cristophe and Chris for your help with reading in class 3,4; and to Vivienne for assisting with Class 1-4 handwork.

## KINDERGARTEN AND NURSERY NEWS

We have had smaller classes this week with measles and chickenpox doing the rounds. When the Health Nurse visited on Friday she asked if families could please limit social contact with other children to those in our own Steiner community for quite some time until the chickenpox and measles are over to keep it from spreading further. Sick children should not be at school/ kindy/nursery. The Health Nurse asks that we please keep children from attending out of school classes with children from other areas eg. Dancing, ice skating lessons or clubs, to keep the outbreak localized.

*Golden in the garden, golden in the glen  
Golden, golden, golden, Prince Autumn's here again.*

In the Kowhai Kindergarten Room, where the caterpillar was last seen hanging for three days without food, there is now a beautiful chrysalis. We wonder what will happen next!

In the last newsletter I wrote that Yvonne and Ocean ( 3 yrs ) had visited us in the nursery and would be returning. My apologies to Elan. Ocean's Mum is not "Yvonne" at all but "Elan"!

Aries (3 ½ ) has started in the nursery and has settled really well as she already knew the room and a number of the children.

We also welcome Breeze to the Kowhai Kindergarten Room.

Thank you for the calendula, marigolds and onion skins. We now have enough to dye our windy capes this week. Please look out for beautiful coloured autumn leaves.

The wheat we planted is growing and should look great by the end of the term.

With our expanding roll we will be requiring more blankets to cut down and be edged with blanket stitch for sleep boxes. If you happen to know of pastel coloured woollen blankets which are no longer required we would welcome them.

Lea-Ann is requesting the source of "**Book case**" **removal boxes** for more sleep boxes in which to keep the bedding required for each child.

A reminder to **label clothing**, especially wet weather overpants as many are the same or similar.

A reminder to please send fruit with children who attend Kindergarten on both Thursday and Friday mornings for shared morning tea.

*We thank the sun for ripening glow,  
The rain and wind that make things grow.  
To mother earth our thanks we give  
For all her fruits whereby we live.*

Any donations of **woollen yarn** that you can find for us would be appreciated for children's craft work in the Kindergarten as we move into cooler weather.

If you have friends who feed their babies on bought bottled baby food the **little jars** are perfect for use in our water colour painting sessions!

Thank you for all the many ways you help us and for all your efforts at the working bee on Friday afternoon and a big thank you to Norman whose efforts up the tree were the cause of the working bee.

Rennie Bremner on behalf of the Kindergarten / Nursery Team

## PLAYGROUP

Friday 3rd April from 9-11 will be our last playgroup session for the term. We will be having our own autumn celebration especially for the little ones. All are welcome to come help put the flower children to bed! Any questions to Cecil 472 8683. Please bring fruit to share and a gold coin donation.

## CRAFT GROUP

Tuesday 31 March	9am to 1pm Ravensbourne Town Hall	<b>Wet Felting with Wool &amp; Stones with Izumi</b> Please bring: small smooth stones, (egg size or smaller, palm size to make a purse), sharp scissors, rubber gloves, two kitchen bowls and a towel
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### *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](mailto:office@dunedin.steiner.school.nz)

### ***The Great Easter Egg Hunt***

*11 April*

*2-4pm, Marlow Park*

*Free Fun, Games and Entertainment for the whole family*

*3-12 year olds... come and find an Easter egg in the haystack (\$2 entry)*

*For more information call Sarah, 477 3367*