



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

There has been a lot going on at Poolburn! On Friday we had a FABULOUS day on the ice. Children enjoyed skating, curling and ice hockey. It was a busy day and the Ice Inline instructors were awesome. It is awesome seeing the children build on their skills each year and how confident and skilled they are on the ice. A special favourite of mine was watching the Raggedy Range curlers. There were some very competitive games of curling taking place. But how timely to see ex Poolburn School boy Darcy Neville representing NZ in the Junior Mixed Doubles team. Both Darcy and Jed have travelled the world curling! We may have a future representative in our mix.

Then on Sunday, 11 of Poolburn's finest young leaders hit Dunedin. Having a blast with activities that they fundraised for from the BBQ lunches at school. They attended the National Young Leaders Day in the town hall on Monday. It's a fabulous experience with great motivational speakers about growing leadership, mindset and being true to yourself. My favourite speaker was Cam Calkoen who has cerebral palsy and has done so many amazing things in his life including climbing Mt Kilimanjaro. Leadership is so much more than just being a leader and I think our 11 year 7 and 8 children got a lot out of the trip, plus had a lot of fun. The year 7 and 8 children are going to really step up their leadership on Thursday by representing our school in the council chambers and talking to our hall submission. It's a great experience to show how their voice matters.



WEEKLY REMINDER

RIPPA RUGBY TOURNAMENT FRIDAY 16th



RAGGEDY RANGE NEWS



Kia ora,

Everyone has been super focused on their goals at the moment. Lots of people have ticked off reading and writing goals and set new targets. I love how motivated the kids are and how they are now driving their goals.

Inquiry: Raggedy Range have been learning about inventors from the past and why they created their inventions. We learnt about Alexander Bell and the telephone. We made our own string cup phones and looked at how the vibrations make sound travel. Next we are studying the Wright brothers and the invention of the aeroplane.

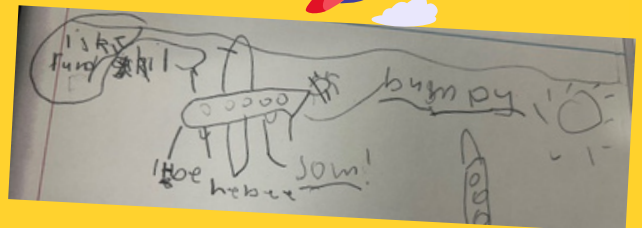
Maths: Odd and Even numbers have been under investigation this week in Raggedy Range. We have been proving how we know which are even and which are odd. Some of us have been looking at what happens when we add even or odd numbers together. Ask us what we know.

Writing: We have been continuing to think about our Wow words in our writing. See if you can spot some in our stories.

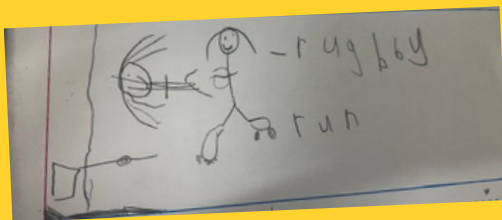
Ka pai to wiki
Deb



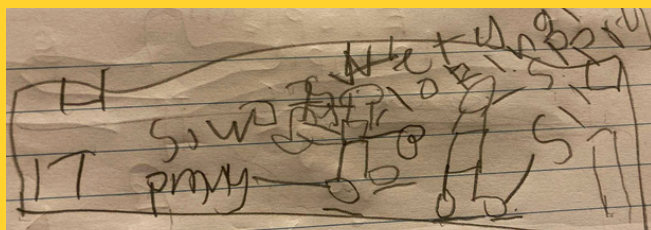
I started with the soccer ball.
Someone stole the ball off me
Gordon Ashby



When I was three years old I went on a
aeroplane to Auckland. It sounded
like a thunder storm because it went
so fast.
Bella Heaney



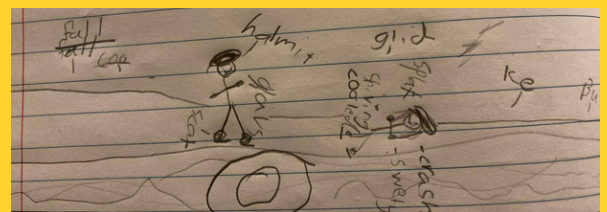
I was playing rugby. I got player of
the day. I scored some tries.
Makaela Nicholl



ICE SKATING

I got my skates on. It was slippery. I went splat! It hurt but I kept going. I could skate backwards. I could go fast and slow. I could stop, look forwards and bend my knees to go faster.

Ben Rutherford



ICE SKATING

When I was gliding across the ice I went so fast. When I tried to stop my skates went... slip, slip and splat. It was so cold that I started to shiver but then I got up and went curling. I got to push the last rock and I hit the red rock and we won the first round.

Alyssa Murdoch



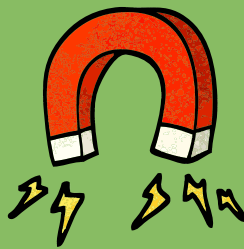
ROUGH RIDGE NEWS

Kia ora all,

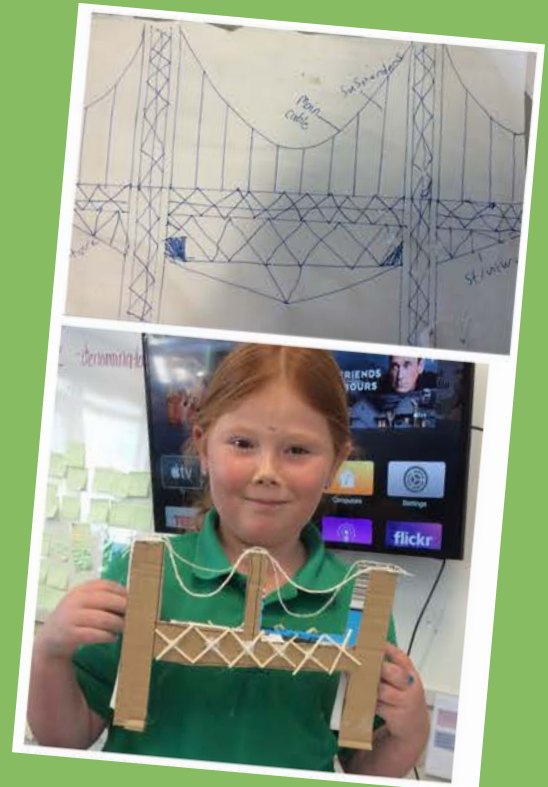
Last week we (Phases 2 & 3) finished our STEM projects. This entailed researching a topic, making a plan, gathering resources then making the finished product.

Once all the pictures and videos are uploaded we will finish the reflection then the group's work will be pushed on Seesaw. In the meantime, here are some sneak previews!

Kia pai te wiki.
Emma



Monty and Ollie's magnet maze



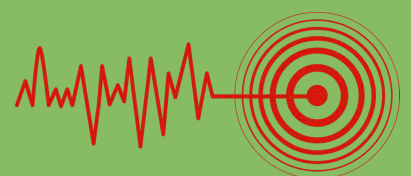
Maja and Leighton's
plan and bridge



Jack M, Aria, Cam and Poppy's Volcano



Isla and Frankie's earthquake
simulator





Dunstan High School

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Information Evenings

The School Principal, the Director of Boarding and a representative of our Hostel Parents will present an information session for parents and children who are interested in attending Dunstan High School as day pupils or boarders in 2026/27.

Refreshments will be provided.

If you require further information, please contact the school on 03 448 8595 or office@dunstan.school.nz

Omakau / Poolburn: 7.15pm, Monday 19th May - Poolburn School
Millers Flat: 7.15pm, Wednesday 9th June - Millers Flat School
Maniototo: 7.15pm, Tuesday 4th June - Hawkdun Lodge Motel, Ranfurly

ROAD CLOSED

**OMAKAU BRIDGE ROAD CLOSURE
FROM 19 May - 20th June
OMAKAU BRIDGE CLOSED DUE TO
ROAD WORKS
DETOUR THROUGH OPHIR**

Ice Activity Programme - Learn Ice Skating Skills

Iceinline Central has organised an Ice Activity Programme in the July School Holidays teaching ice skating skills with a professional coach. This is open to school age children, and the programme is an expansion of skills currently being taught to schools in Central Otago.

Dates: **Ice skating:** Tuesday 1st July and Thursday 3rd July
Tuesday 8th July and Thursday 10th July

Hockey: Monday 30th June and Wednesday 2nd July
Monday 7th July and Wednesday 9th July

Time of sessions: 10.30 - 11.30 am.

For both figure skating and hockey activities, the wearing of helmets is compulsory and will be provided. For hockey, sticks will also be provided. Warm clothing is essential for both activities.

Cost is inclusive - Rink Admission, skate/equipment hire and coaching, \$25.00 per one hour session, prepaid.

Registration forms at Iceinline Sports Complex, ph 448 8599. Registrations close 26th June 2025.

rites winners
Isla Rutherford
Bella Heaney
Brodie Nicolson

steps winners
Ollie Murdoch
Henry Heaps

mathletics winners
Ben Rutherford
Makaela Nicholl

ICE SKATING



TERM 2 CALENDAR

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Week 3 12/05 Young Leaders Day Dunedin Yr 7 & 8	13/05	14/05 BOT Meeting	15/05	16/05 Rippa Rugby Tournament
Week 4 19/05	20/05 	21/05	22/05 Assembly	23/05   Ice Skating
Week 5 26/05	27/05 Extra Technology Yr7&8	28/05	29/05	30/05  Teacher Only Day
Week 6 02/06	03/06 	04/06 Cross Country	05/06	06/06
Week 7 09/06	10/06	11/06	12/06	13/06 Technology
Week 8 16/06 Dunstan Zone Cross Country	17/06 	18/06	19/06 Assembly	20/06
Week 9 23/06	24/06	25/06 BOT Meeting	26/06	27/06 Technology

SKI CAMP 2025

August 6TH, 7th, 8th at Cardrona

Watch this space for more details next week!



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