



Duntroon School

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Newsletter
25-08-2023
Term 3, Week 6

Principals News....

Ski Camp

Here are a couple of pics from the ski camp. We had a brilliant day skiing yesterday. The weather and conditions were perfect.



Rugby League Tournament

On Friday we had a group of Year 7 and 8 students compete in the Southern Zone Rugby League Tournament in Oamaru. This was a Papakaio and Duntroon combined team. We made the finals and narrowly lost to East Otago which meant we got 2 nd place out of 8 teams. This was a new experience for most of this team. They did extremely well. Ka Rawe – Max Deans, Lochie Horn, Paul Flores, Roy Tepper, Belle Wainwright and Greer Neal.

School Photos – September 19th

You will have received a form for requesting sibling photos for September 19th . Only send this back if you want to have family/sibling photos. These will be in the morning before classes are done. We will remind you closer to this date.

Progress Interviews

On the 11th and 18th of September we will hold our progress interviews. These are not compulsory interviews for parents to attend. These are at parent request. There may be something you wish to discuss about your child’s learning, or you may have missed our interviews earlier in the year and would like a catch up. I will keep you posted on how you can book an interview in the coming weeks.

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Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school, you can notify school by doing the following:

A phone call to the school office (03)4312829

A text to the school mobile phone (021)2161249

An absentee submission on our Skool Loop app

An email to the office on office@duntroon.school.nz

Have a nice weekend

Nga Mihi Nui

Mike and Staff

We value Respect, Honesty, Perseverance and Cooperation and Inclusion

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North Otago Touch

Are holding rep trials for both U12 boys/girls and U14 boys/girls teams - Sunday 27th August and Sunday 3rd September at 1.30pm.

Venue TBC. If any of your students are interested they can register using the following link.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgay3CDZfoggJUWaMWTUMh377swGPeonw9ike8NyEATzaYVw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Or go to the North Otago Junior Touch Facebook page and register there.



PRIME

About PRIME Mathematics

PRIME Mathematics is based on three of the top performing maths countries in the world: Singapore, South Korea and Hong Kong. PRIME was developed alongside the Ministry of Education in Singapore. The programme and its content speak to the universal world of mathematics and mathematics education. It is the one curriculum area whose subject matter is the substantially the same, no matter where on Earth you are.

Key features of PRIME Mathematics

- Covers junior through to senior year levels of primary education – Years 1 to 8
- Follows a text-based programme that allows ample scope for localised and teacher augmentation
- Ensures a consistent approach to teaching, programme content and sequencing of learning through each year level of the school
- Provides built-in teacher professional development and support for all mathematics concepts and problem-solving strategies
- Develops mathematical understandings progressively through concrete, pictorial and abstract approaches
- Builds student confidence through consistent problem-solving strategies
- Mathematical problems are posed in multiple ways
- Knowledge and skills at each step of learning are regularly applied to contextual, real-world problems
- Through a scaffolded approach, mastery of increasingly complex concepts (strategies) and skills is built up from previous steps of learning
- Maintenance and mastery are supported by revisiting and practising concepts and skills previously learned
- Active discussion and engagement among students is key to their learning rather than rote lock-step approaches
- Supplementary resources and activities that fit with the programme are already available in schools
- Regular assessments provide formative feedback and contribute to summative purposes

Policy Reviews Term 3 2023

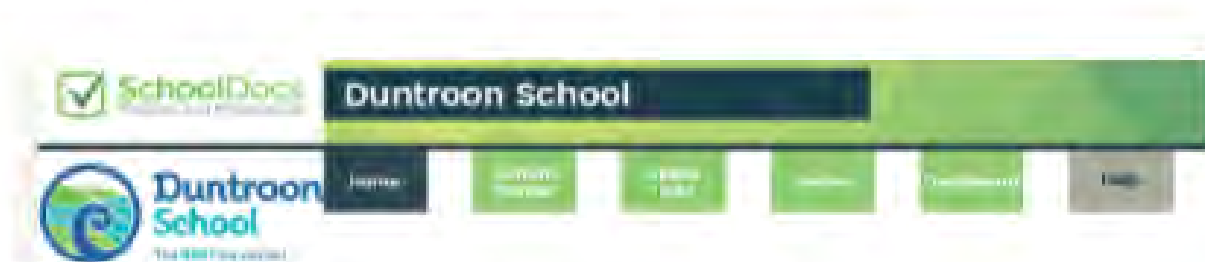
Please copy and paste the following link into your browser to access the reviews and follow the instructions on the School Docs website.

<https://duntroon.schooldocs.co.nz>

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your password is - 9494

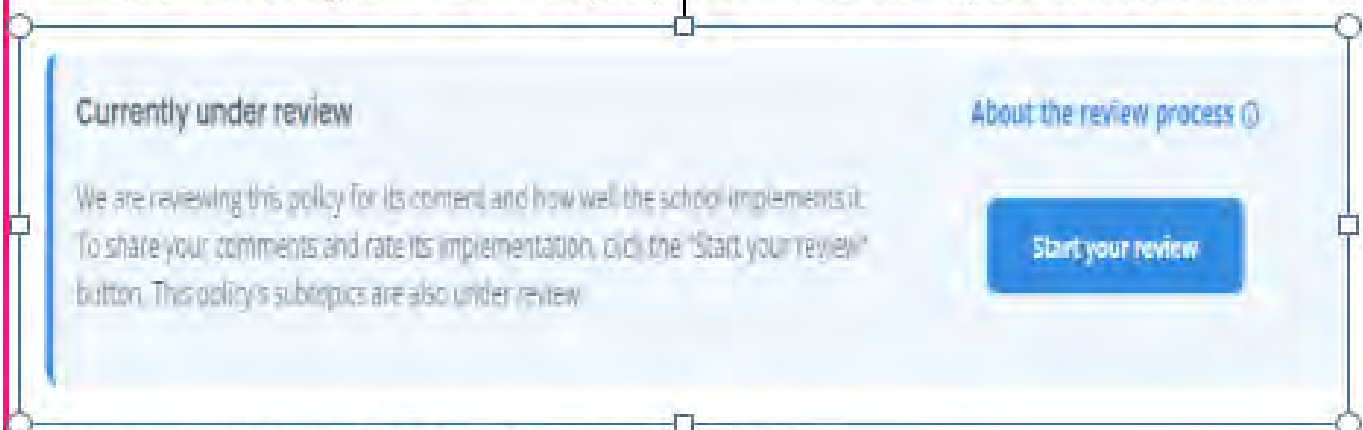
Click on the Current Review Tab – [Shown here](#)



These are the scheduled review topics this term:

Learning Support , Inclusive Education and Māori Educational Success

After choosing the review topic you can click start your review: [Shown here](#)



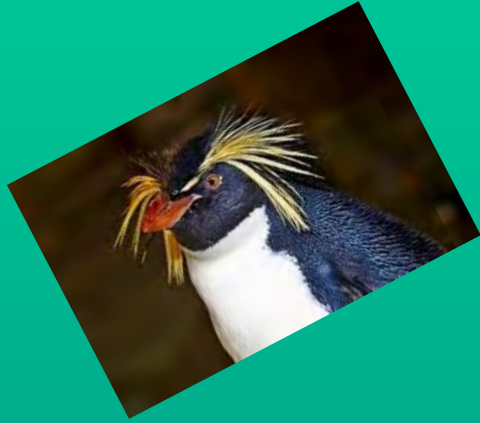
Please complete by Friday September 15th 2023

Thank you. Your feedback is appreciated.

Ruma Rua News!

It's been great having the majority of the class back after many illnesses. Let's hope spring sees a more settled time for the flu.

Our writing focus this term has been writing information reports. The past few weeks we have been writing about the different species of Antarctica penguins. The students used keywords from 3 or more websites to then write their own paragraphs on the physical description, habitat, diet, predators and reproduction of their chosen penguin.



Pr1me math sees groups focusing on adding with regrouping, word problems and subtracting fractions with the same and different denominators. There has been great perseverance from the students as this is new learning and they are making great progress.

The World's Worst Children is our current class novel. David Walliams sure is a fabulous author who keeps his audience engaged and entertained.

We are thoroughly enjoying our topic on Antarctica. We have been learning about the challenges faced in keeping Scott Base functioning smoothly, looking at different energy sources, including both nonrenewable and renewable and identifying microorganisms that we could find there. We even looked at how much food one person needs over summer and winter as deliveries are every 3 weeks in summer and 6 weeks in winter. The children are as engaged in this topic as I am.



The Year 6 students enjoyed being with all the Room 1 Year 6s while the Year 7 and 8s were away on their ski camp. Miss Milmime gave them a little taste of Japan.



New to Duntroon...



Maevyn Monegro

At home Maevyn lives with her Mum, Dad and brother, Liam. She doesn't have any pets but she used to have a pet chicken.

Maevyn loves to read Graphic Novels and go on Anime. Basketball is her most loved sport and her favourite colour is purple.

Spaghetti is what Maevyn likes to eat the most.

Maevyn most admires artist Claude Monet.

Welcome to Duntroon School Maevyn.

Welcome to Duntroon...



Liam Amoroso

At home Liam lives with his Dad and Mum, He doesn't have any pets here in New Zealand, but back In the Philippines, he has two dogs and two cats.

Liam likes the colour blue and his favourite thing to eat is a good steak!

When he has some spare time Liam likes to watch Sci-Fi movies and programmes. He loves Basketball and Soccer.

The person who Liam admires the most to RonaldinoGaucho (a Brazillian Football player).

Welcome to Duntroon School Liam.



WAITAKI AQUATIC CENTRE

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🌐 www.waitaki.govt.nz/AquaticCentre

📍 5 Steward Street, Oamaru 9400

Waitaki Aquatic Centre still has space in Term 4 for groups. You can join us for swimming lessons, as always, but we also offer a Water Safety course. With summer fast approaching, knowing about lifejackets, boating safety, and simple water rescues could make all the difference in an emergency. Water safety is available in the Learner's Pool as well as the Main Pool so children of all ages can learn these life saving skills. Please reply or call the Aquatic Centre to reserve your spot.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

28th August—North Otago Cross Country

SEPTEMBER

11th September—Progress Interviews

15th September—Yr 8 Career Day

18th September—Progress Interviews

19th September—School Photos

22nd September—Duntroon School Show case

22nd September—Last Day of Term 3

OCTOBER

9th October— Term 4 Starts

16th-20 October— Year 6-8 Camp

23rd October—Labour Day

27th October—Upper Waitaki Athletics

31st October-3rd November—Tech Week

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Meeting at the DUNTROON HALL



August 27th 7pm

**To discuss interest in organising a dance
and maybe having lessons.**

**Contact Peter prudenceh23@gmail.com
027 4993406**

Tea and Coffee provided

The great Waitaki

BRICK BUILD-OFF

**WANTS
YOU!!**

**APPLY NOW TO
COMPETE**

PICK UP a team application form from
the display by the front door of the
Ōamaru Library, or

DOWNLOAD a team application form at:
www.waitaki.govt.nz/libraries - what's on

Application forms also available at branch libraries at:
Hampden - Palmerston - Kurow - Otematata - Ōmārama

Applications close: 5.00pm Friday September 8, 2023

Competition: Saturday September 23, 2023



in conjunction with



with special guest judges, and
LEGO® Masters NZ contestants
Rachel and Amy!



Power Up Community Fund applications are open

Apply now



Meridian.

Got a community project that needs funding?

Applications are open until midnight 24 September 2023.

How to apply

For more information and to apply:

- visit meridian.co.nz/pu-waitaki
- email community.fund@meridianenergy.co.nz
- call 03 357 9732

St Kevin's College Presents



MAN OF STEEL

A musical spoof

Dates:

24th &

25th August

Location:

St Kevin's College

Auditorium

Tickets on sale at:

www.stkevins.school.nz

