



Duntroon School

The **BEST** we can be! • Ko te **PAI** e taetae e tatou!
Term 4, Week 5, Friday 07th November 2025

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Tēnā koutou whanau

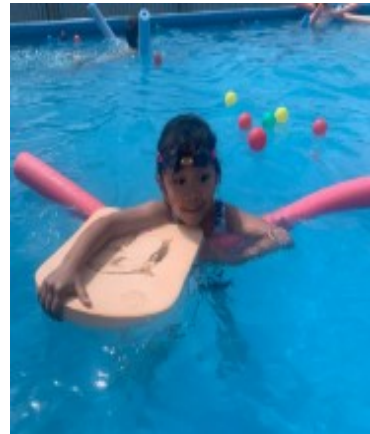
This week has been stunning. We have busy kids in the playground enjoying the weather and opportunities for playing with their mates. The two trolleys we found in the back of the container have been well used by all the classes at breaktime ...some of you may have had kids who have now left Duntroon School who built them.



Swimming has started at Duntroon School and what a great week of weather for it!

Room 5 was first to have a dip then we had some cute wee Rm. 4 swimmers along with the Rm. 3 team.

What a fantastic asset the pool is at Duntroon School.



For the sake of the Staff's sanity, please name togs and towels and support your child to have their togs at school each day. This is part of our PE curriculum and it is expected everyone takes part in swimming unless they have a note saying otherwise.

Next week families will be able to purchase a key for the pool over the summer. There is a code of conduct form to be signed upon collection/ payment of a key. Some of the Duntroon community still have keys which need to be returned from 2024 so that the Office can do a stock take of key holders.

Teacher Only Day last Friday was about Literacy. The teachers and teacher aides were all in learning mode with Becc Sweeney, a facilitator with 'Literacy Connections'. This work has been immediately transferable into the classroom and will continue to be built on into next year when we will have part 2 of the professional development.

Miss Borrie and the Year 8 students are at St Joseph's School today taking part in an '**Aspiring Futures**' day with the rural schools group. They will have the opportunity to hear speakers sharing the career pathways they have taken, what skills they have and inspire our students to consider the opportunities available to them that they may not have known about otherwise.

Have a great weekend everyone, Sarah and Staff

POOL CONTACT

Please feel free to print it out, fill it out and bring it into the office, OR there are forms at the office.

Duntroon School Pool - Code of Conduct 2025/26

Safety

- Key holders are responsible for ALL people they admit to the pool.
- No one is to swim alone.
- Keys are for the use of family members and their guests. Keys are not to be shared.
- Children under the age of 16 must be actively supervised by a person 18 yrs or older.
- Due to health and hygiene reasons all babies/toddlers not yet toilet trained must wear swim pants such as Huggies "Little Swimmers" (not underwear) whilst swimming.
- No jumping, bombing or diving into the pool.

Pool

- Opening hours: 6am-9pm (During school terms the pool is closed to the public 9am-3pm)
- It's essential that you sign the pool register when you enter and leave the complex.
- Ensure the cover is placed back over the pool and the gate is locked when leaving.
- Please leave the complex in a tidy state and remove your own rubbish.
- The swimming pool complex is smoke-free at all times.
- Please report any damage or concerns to Sarah Caldwell, Principal - 027 434 9068

Keys

These are available to school families at the subsidised cost of \$50.00. They're also available to those without children at our school for \$100.00. Lost keys will be invoiced for at the replacement cost of \$10.00 each.

Online payments can be made to the school account 02-0900-0000540-00. Please enter your name and POOL as reference. A key will be issued once payment is received and a Code of Conduct completed and signed.

Keys are limited and are available on a first-come/first-served basis. Please return keys to the school office by the date specified and don't hold over until the next season.

I/we have read the above Code of Conduct and understand and accept the guidelines therein.

Name.....

Address.....

Phone.....email.....

Signed.....Dated.....

Disclaimer: The Duntroon BOT accepts no responsibility for any accidents or injuries whilst using the pool complex or for damage to personal property. Use the pool at your own risk. The BOT reserves the right to close the pool at any time due to Health & Safety issues.

NOVEMBER

11th Nov—Otago Athletics
20th Nov—Rural Schools Yr 8 Science Day
24/25th Nov—Year4/5 Camp—Dunedin
28th Nov—Year 8 Transition Day

December

5th Dec—Water Day Glenavy Yr 8s
11th Dec—Reports home
16th Dec—School break up

First day of school 2026
Monday 2nd February



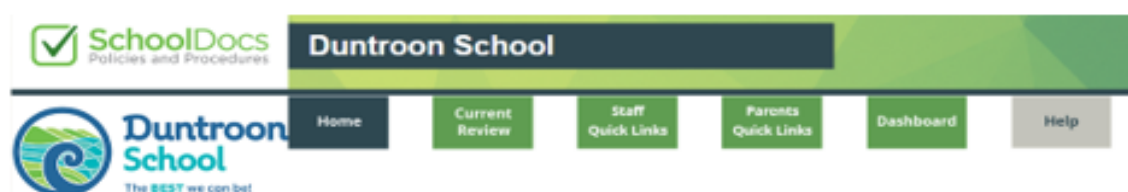
Policy Reviews Term 4 2025

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

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

your username is – Duntroon

your password is – 9494



Our Policy review statements for this term are on:

- **Searches, Surrender and Retention of Property**
- **Stand-Down, Suspension and Exclusion**
- **Staff Wellbeing and Safety**

Currently under review

We are reviewing this policy for its content and how well the school implements it. To share your comments and rate its implementation, click the "Start your review" button. This policy's subtopics are also under review if they have a review button.

[About the review process](#)

[Start your review](#)

After choosing the review topic you can click start your review: Shown Above

Please complete by Friday December 12th

Thank you. Your feedback is appreciated.

DUNTROON PLAYGROUP

THURSDAYS 10-12 PM | BEHIND DUNTROON SCHOOL

COME AND JOIN US!

AN INCLUSIVE SPACE FOR RURAL PARENTS TO HANG OUT WHILE THEIR CHILDREN PLAY.

BRING YOUR LITTLE ONE'S MORNING TEA, THE JUG IS ALWAYS BOILED FOR THE ADULTS.

JOIN OUR FACEBOOK GROUP- DUNTROON PLAYGROUP FOR MORE INFO



Merry Kirimihete, Waitaki!

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING



Christmas Tree lights will switch on at 9.30pm

SUPPORT LOCAL FAMILIES by bringing canned food or a wrapped child's gift to exchange for...



Bouncy castle fun



Popcorn



Sausage sizzle



A BYO logo reusable coffee cup

Let's bring Christmas magic to every household this holiday season

also happening

SUSTAINABLE CHRISTMAS MARKET

Friday 28th November 7pm - 9.30pm | LOWER THAMES STREET, OAMARU

Waitaki District Youth Council for sausage sizzle, plus delicious food trucks
Music by Saggy Britches band | Luzette face painting | Bouncy castle | Popcorn

NORTH OTAGO
A&P & VetLife
ASSOCIATION Animal Health Partners

PET DAY

16th November, 11am

Showgrounds - Ettrick St, Oamaru

Come along for a fun day with the family & pets

Classes for all pets - All pets welcomed!

Sheep, Lambs, Goats, Calves, Dogs, Rabbits and others.

Ribbons to 5th place.

Age groups decided on day dependent on numbers.

Fancy Dress competition for all animals 12.00pm



Check out facebook page
North Otago A&P for more info

Lamb Drinking Competition

(Please bring a bottle with 250ml of milk)





Night 'n Day



WAITAKI

RAINBOW RUN²⁰²⁵

SAT, NOV 8 • 11AM START • ŌAMARU RACECOURSE

TICKETS \$10 PER PERSON OR \$30 FAMILY



WWW.SPORTOTAGO.CO.NZ



OAMARU ROWING CLUB

INTRO TO ROWING YEAR 8+

Term 4 2025 - Term 1 2026



Hey Year 8s!

We've got a super cool Learn-to-Row program just for you, perfect for anyone heading to high school in 2026.

It's going to be awesome!

You'll learn all about rowing, on the water and on land. We'll explore the parts of a rowing boat, try out different rowing styles, and get fit with fun gym and Erg rowing machine sessions to boost our skills.

We'll visit cool spots like Oamaru Harbour and Waihao Box, and in Term 1, we'll even go watch some real racing at Lake

Ruataniwha in Twizel.

Our rowing coach and older rowers will be there to help us learn and have a blast. You'll also get to see how the high school rowers train, which is super inspiring!

Cost: \$100 - This covers travel for the fun trips we'll take.

When: Every Monday and Wednesday, 3:30pm-4:30pm (during term), at the Oamaru Rowing Club. Starts Monday 13th October

Plus, some awesome weekend trips!

Can't wait to row with you all!

For more details contact:

Coach Tracey Marshall 027 240 4476



GET READY TO TRAVERSE
THIS TERM WITH BOATING,
CAMPING, BIKING,
EMERGENCY SKILLS,
BADGEWORK...

Meeting times:

Keas ages 5 - 7 at 430 - 530pm Wednesday

Cubs ages 7 - 11 at 600-730pm Tuesday

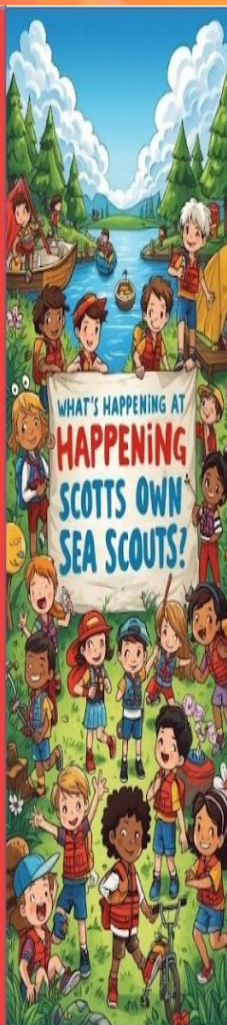
Scouts ages 11-14 at 630 - 830pm Monday

Venturers ages 14-17 at 630 - 830pm Monday



Waterfront Road, Ōamaru

or, find us on [Facebook](#)



If you want to help out in your community and be part of a friendly bunch of volunteers look no further than the Duntroon Volunteer Fire Brigade!

Duntroon Volunteer Fire Brigade needs you!



For more info contact...

Jamie Deans—027486845

Richard Wills— 0224312881

Lou Tait—0272946084



Have a go at Athletics with

LAUNCH ATHLETICS



An exciting and inclusive event for rangatahi aged 12-18 to give athletics a go in a fun, team-based setting!

No experience needed — all abilities are welcome. You don't need to be involved in Athletics to join the fun at Launch!



Sunday, 23 November 2025

9:30 AM TO 12:30 PM

Post-Event

Shared BBQ for
everyone involved



Q&A with Senior Otago
athletes

**Caledonian Ground
Dunedin**

Register its FREE
Registrations close 21st
Nov 11:59pm



Scan the QR code to
register and find out more
about Launch.

Any questions please contact Holly Robinson: development@athleticsotago.co.nz

**NORTH OTAGO MOTOR GROUP
& DAVID REID HOMES**

2025

WESTON SCHOOL FIREWORKS

**FRIDAY 7TH
NOVEMBER**

Weston Domain - 6:30pm

BOUNCY
CASTLES

GLADIATOR

ARCHERY

CASH ONLY

No EFTPOS

**Food & Drink
Stalls Available**

PLUS: LASER TAG | HOOPS
NODDY TRAIN | PIPPITY POP
BRAIDS BY STACEY | GLOW STICKS
AND MORE!

TICKETS

- Adults & High School (Yr 9+) **\$10**
- Primary School Children **\$5**
- Preschoolers **FREE**

FREE Parking in grounds

NO Personal Fireworks
NO Alcohol • R.O.A.R.
Bags & Vehicles may be searched

Tickets available at the
Weston School office and
at the gate on the night
from 6.30pm.

**UNDER 14 must be
supervised by an adult**



@WestonSchoolFireworks

NORTH OTAGO PONY CLUB

A safe and supportive community where
young people enjoy equestrian activities
and grow their knowledge.

Where it begins!

- Learn how to care for and ride horses safely and effectively
- Monthly rallies with instruction in riding and horse management
- Aimed at children and young people under 25 years of age
- All stages and abilities are catered for
- Earn certificates in an internationally recognised syllabus
- Make friends and participate in fun activities and events
- Opportunities to compete and be part of teams
- Excellent value with low fees and experienced coaches
- Access to grounds and facilities

Give it a go!

**First three rallies
are free for
prospective
members**

Whether you're want to ride for fun
or aim for the top, Pony Club is New
Zealand's gateway to a lifelong
journey with horses.

For more information contact us through Facebook
or
coachnpsc@gmail.com

www.nzpca.org



WAIMATE RODEO CLUB YOUTH BULL RIDING SATURDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

**WAIMATE RODEO GROUNDS
5TH CANTERBURY**

Ages 5-18 (years 0-13)

Bucking machines, technique coaching

Jnr Steers, Novice Steers, 2nd Division Bulls

Great low key day to come along and have a go!

OPEN TO EVERYONE!

COACHING FROM 10AM

JACKPOT AFTER LUNCH

SAVE THE DATE!

Entry form to follow on our FB page

