

Term 3 # 14 6 September 2023 471-2163 office@dunedinsteiner.nz www.dunedinsteiner.nz

"Feelings are for the soul, as food is for the body."

Rudolf Steiner.



NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 DATES	
School	
Tue 19 th September	5:15pm Class Kea play – lower classroom
Thu 21 st September	5:30pm Class Kererū play – lower classroom
Fri 22 nd September	1:30pm Spring Festival - TBC
Kindergarten	
Wed 20 th September	Kindergarten Spring Festival
Governance	
Thu 14 th September	6pm Proprietors meeting – Kea classroom
Mon 18 th September	5:30pm Board meeting – Kea classroom
Other	
Wed 13 th September	3pm Waiata – Playgroup room – all welcome!
Wed 13 th September	6-8pm Anthroposophical Nursing Support Workshop #4
Playgroup	
Mondays and Wednesdays 9:30 to 11:30 am	
Mon 18 th September	9:30am Playgroup Spring Festival – Botanic Gardens

Kia ora e te whānau,

Over the last two weeks there has been a theme woven through a lot of thoughts and learning at various courses and gatherings I attended; the theme of belonging. It is often referred to by the government in connection with school attendance levels, it is mentioned as a point of difference for integrated schools and is a focus point for the Ministry of Education in regards to identity on a personal and national level. Last week I wrote about community and how important it is for this special place. Every family that chooses the Steiner kindergarten or school becomes part of our community and with that comes a place and understanding of belonging. For children, this adds more value to their learning journey than we often realise; they become part of something bigger than them, of a way of being in the world, which gives them a very solid foundation to move in the world beyond their time at school. They are being held by more than their teachers; they are held by each other, by the families and the wider community.

There is a very strong feeling of belonging to this place, even after the children and families have left and I have seen this time and time again when speaking to alumni and past families. While education is our task, being in a place of belonging and acceptance is equally as important as without the latter, learning will land on much less fruitful ground.

Please keep an eye out for all the exciting end of term plays and festivals and enjoy watching the children show some of their work from this term.

We have started our search for the new class 1 teacher for 2024. If you know anyone suitable, please let them know about our vacancy.

Ngā mihi,

Anna Noble

Tumuaki/Principal

Anthroposophical Home Nursing Support Workshops

We invite you to come along and join our group on Wednesday the 13th from 6pm. \$20 per session which can be paid as cash to Brit on the night or into the bank account 03-1726-0004961-00 Rudolf Steiner School Trust Otago, please identify the payment as "nursing workshop".

KINDERGARTEN

Kia ora koutou,

We have been collecting the native seedlings which are growing around the kindergarten and potting them up for the next School Fair.

A couple of keen gardeners are hard at work here. potting up lemonwood/tarata, pittosporum/kohihu and lancewood/horoeka.

The Spring Festival will be held on Wednesday 20th of September. If there are any parents who would like to help with flowers etc, please let one of the teachers know, or email Julie.

We have had an increase in the number of children coming to kindy with key ring type animals etc on their bags. This is causing problems amongst the children and has become similar to bringing toys. Please can these be saved for outside of kindy time.

Junko is leaving next week for a trip to see

family in Japan. Joella will be relieving for her in the Koru room.

Ngā mihinui, The Kindy teachers.

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

The school of out care programme has been up and running and the children have been having plenty of fun.

PLAYGROUP

Kia Ora koutou,

Spring is in the air! To celebrate this change of season, and our final week of term, the playgroup volunteers and staff would like to invite you all to a trip to the botanic gardens for our last Monday (September 18th). We will meet at 9.30am at the upper gardens car park (near toilets). Please dress to the weather and bring your own morning tea. We will explore the gardens, new blooms & shoots, as well as possibly visit the aviary. This will be the last session of the term and all are welcome to join regardless of your regular day of attendance. There will be no session on Wednesday that week due to a facilitators meeting.

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We look forward to seeing you all then & completing our term with this simple way of honouring spring & our community.

Arohanui, Playgroup- Lizzie, Millie, Jen, Alida, Miriam

CRAFT GROUP

Hi crafters – craft group will resume in term 4. We meet on Tuesdays in the playgroup room just after school and kindy drop off. All are welcome, any level of ability, come for craft, conversation and a cuppa. See you there, Jen

enquiries: jenwigleypiano@gmail.com or Lenka.blass@gmx.de

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 <u>office@dunedinsteiner.nz</u>. We charge \$10 for an advert and need ads in by the Monday prior to the Wednesday publication date. You can pay by direct internet banking to 03-0903-0437318-00 Disclaimer: This space is open to advertisers and the school does not make any guarantees or endorsement on their behalf.

ALL SAINTS' FRUIT & VEGES: Cheap Fruit & Veges. Weekly Packs + Produce Stall. WHAT DO WE OFFER? 1. Pre-ordered value packs. Mixed seasonal fruit & veges; Contents change weekly; Comes in cloth eco-bags; Pick-up places around Dunedin; Get the size or number of packs that suits you 2. Discount fruit & veges stall. At the All Saints' Church hall 786 Cumberland St. Thu 8:45-10 am & 4-6 pm.

8 Handy Collection Points: North Dunedin, Green Island, Port Chalmers, North East Valley, Andersons Bay Caversham, St Kilda. *Website:*allsaintsdn.org.nz/all-saints-fruit-andveges.*Email:* <u>allsaints.fruitveges@gmail.com</u>. Waittti *Bhana:* Dunedin North Anglican Parish Of



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Taruna College Biodynamics Workshop: We warmly invite you to the "Biodynamics as Michaelic Deed Workshop"29 September - 1 October 2023

This workshop will involve hands on stir and spread of 500 at the evening equinoctial full moon; stir and spray 501 at sunrise; composting; use of cow pat pit and soil studies. Along with lectures on iron.

We are grateful to the Kete Ora Trust for sponsorship of this workshop <u>#keteoratrust</u>

For more information follow our link: <u>https://www.taruna.ac.nz/courses-and-workshops/biodynamic-learning-pathways/</u>



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Class 1 teacher vacancy 2024 - Dunedin Steiner School

We seek a committed and enthusiastic qualified teacher who will work within our Steiner special character to join our growing school. The school is situated a short drive from Dunedin town centre in a beautiful semi-rural setting, overlooking the harbour. The onsite kindergarten and playgroups are all part of our special community. The ideal applicant will have a commitment to Steiner pedagogy, the ability to work with composite classes and flexibility that suits a smaller school. Applications close 5pm Monday 9 October.

An application form and job description can be found on our website at www.dunedinsteiner.nz

For any questions, please contact the office at <u>office@dunedinsteiner.nz</u> or phone 03 471 2163