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NEXT PTA MEETING
Monday 9 May 2011
DHS Library - 7.30 pm

DHS PTA LITERACY INITIATIVE
- Bob Docherty visit -
Tuesday 10 May
6.45pm - 8pm
DHS Library

What are teens' reading -
 what is suitable
 - what's hot?

Come and hear Bob talk books
 - Bob is nationally recognised as an expert in young people's reading. He is entertaining and will have you queuing to read the books along with your students.

6.45pm - Drinks and Nibbles
 7pm - Bob Docherty

Check out the books Bob is reading on his blog:

<http://bobsbooksnz.wordpress.com/>

*Pip Pedofsky, Stuart Thom,
 Janine Gillions, Rose Thom
 Lynne Paterson*

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to the second term. Term Two is traditionally a very busy term and in the next 11 weeks, students will be fully occupied in a range of activities. For students in Years 11, 12 and 13, approximately one-third of the school year has been completed already. With the first of our senior school examinations scheduled for Week 5, it is essential that all students are committed to their studies and understand what is required to realize their potential.



Congratulations to the cast and crew of *Grease*. In particular, I want to acknowledge the efforts of Mrs Vercoe (Director) and Mrs Barnes (Musical Director) who combined their talents to produce this year's production.

We expected three polished and professional performances and that's exactly what was delivered. The sell-out season at the end of last term will be remembered as one of the cultural highlights on this year's calendar and the students, staff and friends of the school involved have much to be proud of.

Congratulations also to our Kayaking team, along with their dedicated coaches and supporters, for the tremendous results achieved at secondary school nationals. On the basis of the results achieved, the team was awarded the trophy for the *Best Kayaking School* in the country. Previously, Tauranga Boys had held the trophy for 13 consecutive years.



Brent Russell

Winter sport competitions begin this weekend for the major sporting codes and I wish all the teams an enjoyable and successful season. Special thanks to our coaches/managers who give so much of their time and expertise to our sports teams here at Dunstan.

Brent Russell, Principal

2011 PLATINUM PARTNERSHIP Supporting the roles of the Sports and Arts Co-ordinators in the school: Bodeker Scientific, Breen Construction Co Ltd, Budes Central Pharmacy and Bookshop, Central Motorways Coaches, Fulton Hogan Central, New World Alexandra, Paper Plus, Peter Lyon Shearing Contractors, PlaceMakers Alexandra and Tony Botting, London.
Any other businesses interested in supporting the school should contact the DHS office please. We appreciate your support.



HAAST HOUSE



The Haast Year 9 students were recently treated to an end-of-term fun afternoon because of their positive attitudes and behaviour in Term One.

Our students were treated to a slightly different twist of a BBQ, completely cooked using the ovens in our Food Technology Department. Once the students had eaten, our Haast Year 13 leaders took the juniors out for a game of Ultimate Frizbee. It became quite a competitive event and was enjoyed by all.

And a fun day would not be complete without a lolly scramble and ice-cream.

Thank you to the Year 9s. You have had an extremely positive start to the year and it has been a pleasure working with you. A huge thanks goes to all of the Year 13s who co-ordinated the games and ensured all students were looked after. And a huge thank you goes out to Mrs Taylor, who kindly adjusted her teaching programme for us.

from the Haast Team



WINTER UNIFORM

A reminder that students are required to wear correct Winter Uniform from Week Six, Term 2 - 7 June (After Queen's Birthday).

NB: All students need a jersey AND regulation Polar Fleece. Uniform Shop Open 11am-12.30pm each Thursday.

CHANGE OF DATE

Our Teacher Only Day timetabled for Week Eight has been moved to Monday 27 June, Week Nine due to a clash with our exchange with Central Southland College

PLEASE NOTE
that the phone number in our School Diary for Checketts McKay Law Limited is incorrect.
It should be 03 4400125

PLEASE REMEMBER:

If your child is absent for the day or going to be at some time, please notify the office

- by phone: 03 4488595
- by fax: 03 4488567
- by email: absences@dunstan.school.nz
- or by note to the office

Your assistance with this is very much appreciated.

*Gail Trochon and Ann Wills,
Administration Office*

DUNSTAN HIGH SCHOOL
PTA Uniform Store

Open Thursdays
11am - 12.30pm
or other times by
arrangement



Please contact:
Judy Dymock 448 8092
Vyv Weller 449 2800

HOUSE SPORTS COMPETITIONS

This week sees the beginning of seven weeks of Senior and Junior Inter-House Sports Competitions with the Houses battling it out to become the top House in Dodgeball and Basketball disciplines. Points awarded go towards the School House Trophy presented at the end of each term.

ADVENTURE RACING



Three Dunstan teams competed at the 12 Hour Adventure Racing National Championships held in the Napier area, and all came away with top placings. Dunstan were the only school, from 19 schools across the country, to finish in the top three in all senior categories, establishing themselves as the top all-round performing school in Adventure Racing for 2011.

The team of **Georgie Peirce, Jess Linwood, Emily McGimpsey** and **Bella Grant** were second in the Girls section, narrowly beaten by St Cuthberts College, Epsom.

The team of **Greg Redai, Declan Pearson, Nick Pascoe** and **Sam McCulloch** placed a highly credible third in the boys section containing very experienced teams who have competed for a number of years.



Robin Pieper and Nakia Randle at transition

While the mixed team of **Nakia Randle, Leigh Grieve, James McDonald** and **Robin Pieper** also placed third in a very closely matched mixed section.

The racing strategy, that Dunstan are

becoming known for, once again worked well - perseverance in locating controls rather than giving up points easily; pacing themselves for the duration of the race to avoid burnout at the eleventh hour; and supporting their team-mates, rather than abandoning them, as was seen with many teams once again this year.

With the diverse range of skills amongst our team members, we coped extremely well with the surprise activities that were revealed the night before. With many of our athletes having a farming background we easily performed the sheep drafting activity. Where this exercise took one team 17 minutes, all ours completed this task under five minutes.

A five metre high rock jump into water also didn't phase our athletes, and the caving exercise went without a hitch.

Thanks to input from **Tim Pearson, Chris Pascoe** and **Rob Pieper** - our raft designs were some of the best. It was particularly difficult for many teams to spend an hour or more (from 6.30am) in a river negotiating Grade 2 rapids with submerged rafts they weren't able to control.

All round, a great effort by the team and incredible way to finish the season. Many thanks for those who supported us financially, lent us gear and offered their expertise.

DHS CANOE SLALOM TEAM WINS NZ TOP SCHOOL TROPHY

A team of 15 DHS paddlers left on a 12-day trip to the Bay of Plenty on the last day of Term One, to compete in four national competitions.

The first event was the NZ Secondary School Championships, which was run over four days on the Tarawera River at Kawerau.

The team of **Rachael McLellan, Nakia Randle, Deahna Shearer, Robin Pieper, Kate Pascoe, Sam McCulloch, Jeremy Norbury, Robert Hervey, Geoff Johnson, Nick Pascoe, Finn Butcher, Matthew Arnott, Marcus Norbury, Daniel Arnott** and **Max Rayner** all paddled very strongly, and showed the benefits of the more intensive training the team has been doing this season.



A selection of the trophies won by the Kayaking team

The team won a large number of medals (85+) and brought home many trophies. They won the 'Best Co-Ed School' trophy and also picked up the much coveted 'Best NZ Kayaking School' trophy. This trophy had been held by Tauranga Boys

College for the past 13 years, so the team were very happy to have broken their hold on it and brought it to the South Island for the very first time.



Finn Butcher K1

Outstanding results were achieved by:

- **Rachael McLellan** - first in C1 Senior Girls
- **Finn Butcher** - Intermediate Boy
 - first in K1;
 - first in C1;
 - first in DR classic;
 - first in DR sprint;
 - 'Best Intermediate Boy Paddler'
- **Robert Hervey** - Senior Boy
 - first in DR classic
 - 'Best Senior Boy Paddler'
- **Nick Pascoe/ Matthew Arnott** - first in C2 Senior Boys
- **Finn Butcher/ Marcus Norbury** - first in C2 Intermediate Boys
- **Finn Butcher/ Marcus Norbury/ Matthew Arnott** - first in K1 teams Intermediate Boys
- **Robert Hervey/ Geoff Johnson/Nick Pascoe** - first in K1 teams Senior Boys
- **Rachael McLellan/ Nakia Randle/ Deahna Shearer** - first in K1 teams Senior Girls
- **Jeremy Norbury/ Sam McCulloch/ Kate Pascoe** - first in K1 teams Junior Boys
- **Finn Butcher/ Marcus Norbury, Robert Hervey/ Geoff Johnson, Matthew Arnott/ Nick Pascoe** - first in C2 teams Senior Boys
- **Robin Pieper/ Deahna Shearer, Jeremy Norbury/Sam McCulloch, Max Rayner/Daniel Arnott** - first in C2 teams



Robert Hervey K1



Rachael McLellan and Nakia Randle C2



Deahna Shearer K1



Jeremy Norbury C1



Robin Pieper DR

- Intermediate Boys
- **Finn Butcher/ Marcus Norbury/ Matthew Arnott** - first in DR team Intermediate Boys

The second event was the NZ Pre-Nationals which were held on Easter Saturday at Kawerau. Again the team performed strongly and achieved great results. The results of this event contribute to selection in the NZ Development Squad - no medals are awarded.

The NZ Nationals were held on Easter Sunday. Outstanding results were achieved by:

- **Finn Butcher** - first in C1 U16
- **Nick Pascoe/ Matthew Arnott** - first in C2 U18
- **Finn Butcher/ Marcus Norbury** - first in C2 U16
- **Sam McCulloch** - first in K1 U14
- **Finn Butcher/ Marcus Norbury/ Matthew Arnott** - first in K1 Teams U16

On Easter Monday, members of the DHS team competed in the inaugural NZ Secondary Schools Freestyle event on the Kaituna River. While the paddlers did well in appalling weather conditions, Tauranga Boys took most of the honours.

While away, the team did get the opportunity to paddle the Wairoa, and several paddlers were initiated on the Kaituna.

The Kayaking group enjoys tremendous support from parents and kayakers within the community. It is this support that allows the coaches and paddlers to concentrate their efforts on their sport.



Nick Pascoe and Matthew Arnott C2



Sam McCulloch K1



Daniel Arnott K1



Kate Pascoe K1



Marcus Norbury K1



Geoff Johnson K1

knowing that they have contributed towards their success.

Mark Johnson



Max Rayner K1

EQUESTRIAN

Recently **Kate Maclean** was awarded second place in New Zealand on her pony, *Pepee*, in the Dressage New Zealand Young Rider Performance Awards and sixteenth in New Zealand on her horse, *Oscar Del-Lahoya*.



Kate Maclean

She was also placed first and second on her two horses in Otago in the same awards. These awards are an accumulation of points awarded for placings at Regional, Island and National dressage competitions over the year.

RUGBY

The Rugby 1st XV squad played three pre-season games before starting in the Highlander 1st XV Competition on 7 May.

Results: Rangiora High School won 36 to 8, Timaru Boys High School won 28 to 18 and the 1st XV defeated Upper Clutha 57 to 10 on Saturday 30 April.

The 1st XV will play Waitaki Boys High School in the first round at home on Saturday 7 May starting at 1pm.



Sensei Paul Mitchell, Cole Mackie and Nathan Garry

**SAMURAI KARATE
NEW ZEALAND
TRAINING CAMP
AUCKLAND
FRIDAY 29 APRIL
-SUNDAY 1 MAY**

Two Dunstan High School pupils, **Cole Mackie** and **Nathan Garry**, have successfully completed

their Karate Black Belt grading at the Samurai Karate New Zealand Camp, in Auckland. The boys have been working towards their Black Belt for the past six years.

The training camp and black belt grading was run by Sensei Paul Mitchell, eighth Dan Hanshi. Sensei Paul Mitchell is based in Melbourne and is the Chief Instructor of Samuuri Karate International. He runs training camps and black belt gradings throughout the world.

SPORTS COMPETITIONS

Hockey, Netball and Rugby competitions commence this Friday and Saturday - good luck to all teams competing and have a great season!

SPORTS SUBS

Just a friendly reminder that...

- Netball Subs should have been paid in full by now
- Hockey Subs should have been paid in full or part paid by now. For those paying by instalments, remaining subs are due 24 May and 17 June 2011.
- Rugby Subs should have been paid in full or part paid by now. For those paying by instalments, remaining subs are due 16 May and 15 June 2011.
- Basketball - please ensure subs are paid as soon as possible.

Please ensure the sub is paid in full via Internet payment or directly to the school office. Many thanks.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Clay Target - Southland Intercollegiate Shoot, Sunday 15 May**
- **Otago Secondary Schools Duathlon - Taieri, Wednesday 18 May**
- **Otago/Southland Relay - Milton, Wednesday 25 May**



THANKS

Again, on behalf of the school's **Adventure Racing** and **Kayaking Teams**, I would like to acknowledge **Pub Charity** for the financial assistance given to assist the teams with travel and accommodation expenses to attend the National Secondary School Championships. Their support of the school and sports teams is greatly appreciated. Many thanks.

Greta Mason
Sports Coordinator

EASTER RAFFLE RESULTS:

1st Draw: Steve Ward
2nd Draw: Mamie Caird
3rd Draw: Isobel Mills
4th Draw: Jo Galletly

Dunstanza would like to thank our parents and the PTA members for your invaluable support and help with our fundraising raffle.

ARANUI THEATRE COMPANY VISIT:

The Arts Department is excited to announce the upcoming visit of the Aranui Theatre Company on Wednesday next week to present a performance of *Macbeth*. This Theatre group comprises a small troupe of very talented young actors with extensive experience in both stage and television work. They will perform for junior students in Period 3, followed by a performance for senior students in period 2.

Venue: School Hall
Juniors: Period 3
Seniors: Period 2

The following is quoted from their letter of introduction:

"Two of our actors, Vinnie Bennett and Teone Kahu may be known to your students as 'the Trolley Boys' on TV's *What Now*. They have also starred in *The Erin Simpson Show* and *IAMTV*. Teone will also be going to perform at The Globe Theatre in London later in the year.

*Suzanne Russell,
Arts Co-ordinator*

Clyde Theatre Group presents

A TASTE OF MURDER

- this season's show at the Clyde Memorial Hall
from 14 - 20 May 2011
at 7.30pm

Tickets \$20, available from Floorpride, Tarbert Street, Alexandra. Coffee and cake provided.
Please feel free to BYO and nibbles.
Come along in *Cluedo* fancy dress - prizes awarded!

DO YOU NEED A FUN-FILLED NIGHT OUT?

Then come along to
the Hilarious Hypnosis Show
- two hours of side-splitting
fun and laughter
- a Family Show

HYPNOTIST - WESLEY UPFOLD LIVE IN ALEXANDRA

Tuesday 10 and Thursday 12 May, 7pm
Dunstan High School Hall

TICKETS ONLY \$25
FAMILY CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE
Tickets available from
Dunstan High School Office

Further info available from Sally
027 2753933 or 03 4485412
Tell your friends - Shows in Cromwell
11 May and Wanaka 18 and 19 May
Fundraiser for Alexandra members of Southern
Knights Friendship Ice Hockey Team
travelling to USA

The Alexandra Child Care Centre

You are invited to
Come & help us Celebrate 20 years at our
32 Marslin Street Premises

OPEN DAY 1.00pm ~ 2.30pm
21st May 2011

at The Centre 32 Marslin Street

Followed by a concert
(presented by ex pupils)
& refreshments in the Terrace School
Hall
(Please bring a plate of food to share.)





WANTED

A dedicated student, or students, aged 16 - 17 years old, to work at the ice rink this season from Mid-May until early August.

Hours:

Friday night	7 - 9.30pm	
Saturday	1 - 4pm	7 - 9.30pm
Sunday	1 - 4pm	

This can be a job share position as we realize weekends are important times for students to socialize with their friends. There will be some remuneration.

As part of our ongoing commitment to encourage more people to come to the rink, we want to provide more activities for skaters during the public sessions such as games, races etc.

Your role would consist of helping issue skates at the beginning of the sessions when staff are busy, then spending time running games, races or other events for the skaters to take part in, then helping get skates in at the end of the sessions. Skating skills would be an advantage but not essential.

Help can be given with suggestions for activities, but this may be your chance to introduce something you feel the kids would love to do.

If you feel this is something you would enjoy, give Dianne Elliot a call NOW on 448 6614 (nights), cell 021 946 522, or e-mail diane.alex@xtra.co.nz for more information. We intend opening our 2011 season on Friday 20 May, so would love to have something in place before then.

Dianne Elliot

Secretary - Iceinline Central Inc

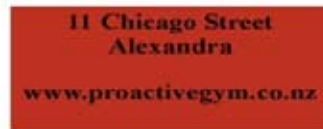


ZUMBA @
ProActive
Alexandra Gym
(With Sher and Michelle)

Mon 6:00pm Wed 6:00pm
& **NEW** Thurs 9:30am

Ring **440 2688** for Details

TRY Our New Thursday
ZUMBA class for **FREE**
*conditions apply



CENTRAL OTAGO WASTEBUSTERS (INC) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

will be held on Tuesday, 24 May at 7pm
in the Central Stories Museum and Art Gallery
(side entrance), Centennial Avenue, Alexandra.

The speaker will be Bruce Blackman on the
economical running of heat pumps.
Everyone welcome.

Nominations for the Board close on Tuesday
10 May. Nomination Forms available from
Wastebusters Office, Boundary Road, Alexandra
or phone (03) 448 9948

2011 PARTNERSHIP PLAN

GOLD - Allied Press, Alexandra Rotary Club, Central Betta Electrical, Checketts McKay Law Ltd, Cooneys Clothing and Footwear, Criterion Club Hotel, Downer EDI Works Limited, Feron Motor Court Ltd, Gas and Engineering Supplies Ltd, L J Hooker, Magnum Mac Dunedin, MWH NZ Ltd, Omakau Commercial Hotel, Otago Daily Times Print, Phil Morris Electrical, SBS Bank, Stadium Tavern, Stu McLeod - Courier Post, Tarbert St Dental Surgery, Terrace Distributors (1985) Ltd, The Community Trust of Otago, Wedgerwood Joinery.

SILVER - Alexandra Avenue Motel, Alexandra Physiotherapy, Brian Luff Automotive, McIntyre and Associates, Currie Motors, Davis Auto Electrical Ltd, Deep South Distribution, McLellan's Plumbing and Heating, Tyreland-Treadwell.

BRONZE - Alexandra Night 'N Day, Alexandra Inspiration, Bell's Shoes Unlimited, CRT, Geoff Weller Surveying Consultant, Grant Ward Nissan, House of Travel Alexandra, Mastertrade - Alexandra/Cromwell, The National Bank of New Zealand, Stems Florist, The Warehouse.