

# LUMSDEN SCHOOL

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**Reminder:** text follow lumsdenschool to 8987 so that you will receive immediate text notification of alerts and reminders via our twitter account (e.g. snow days, cancellations).

Dear School Friends and Families



A very enjoyable school family day yesterday – I'm sure the pets had a good day too, but were probably very happy to get home!

Thanks to Mrs Hailes for all the organisational work, to the FoLS team for the BBQ provision and cooking, to our sponsors ANZ and Agrisea, and to all the parents who helped with judging and events during the day.

I know there are school pet cats around the country, but I wouldn't mind betting we're the only school in New Zealand with pet goslings! The incubator has been the source of much excitement and curiosity as we've seen the emergence of ducklings and geese, with possibly quail and chickens to come ☺.



Speaking of surprises, we had a special visit on Tuesday for the Resource Teachers of Māori, who brought a trophy with them to present to our Putangitangi group, who were winners of the novice section last Friday. The children certainly did us proud with their performance and their very high standard was a reflection of their dedication and hard work. Thanks again to Miss Madden and Miss Mackay for making this experience such an excellent one for the children.



The Cycle Tour of Southland has certainly bucked the trend this year bringing hot weather and blue sky as opposed to the usual wind and rain which has seemed to accompany the cyclists in the past! Ruby and Blake did a great job as our Finish Line ambassadors, and it was great for the whole school to have the opportunity of watching the riders fly into the finish along the main street on Monday.

Looking forward to next weekend's community Cycle and Celebrate event – Hopefully blue sky for that day, too, for families to enjoy the ride and/or the various market stalls (including some delicious food ones!), and children's fun activities. See this week's Advocate for more details about the day.

Thanks to Rick Munro, Jan McFadzien and Trish and Mike Gill who will be coaching our Touch teams. Unfortunately we have just heard that this will not go ahead from Tuesday as planned, but I am currently working with Touch Southland for an alternative.



Room 3 camp will certainly be an enjoyable experience for all next week I'm sure. The children head to Dunedin by bus on Monday morning returning on Thursday afternoon. Miss Madden has a great programme lined up making the most of lots of the things Dunedin has to offer. I will be up there Monday and returning Tuesday, when Mrs Hailes will go up to join the campers for the remainder of the time.



At our Board of Trustees meeting this week we discussed the review of our school Charter. This is the document that outlines our Vision and Values, and our Strategic Goals for the next three years. We have some exciting ideas for the future of the school and we are keen to have the opportunity for ideas and feedback from parents to help our direction-setting. Watch this space for an event and date which will create this important opportunity for Charter consultation.

Have a good weekend. Hei konā mai,

Andrew Watson  
Principal

## Looking Ahead 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
6 Room 3 Camp, Dunedin	7	8	9 Room 3 home from Camp	10	11 Cycle and Celebrate	12
13	14 Science Roadshow at NSC	15 FoLS Meeting 7.30 pm at school	16	17	18	19
20	21 Eileen Ryan, Public Health Nurse here	22 Touch Rugby sessions with Scott Eade; NSC Orientation Day	23	24	25	26
27	28 Touch Rugby sessions with Scott Eade	29 Outreach Singing	30	1 Dec	2	3
4 3-Way Conferences	5 Room 5 Adventure Day, Invercargill; BOT Meeting	6 3-Way Conferences	7	8 Lumsden's Got Talent	9	10
11	12	13 End of Year Ceremony	14 End of Term 4 at noon	15	16	17

*Start Date for 2018: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January*

*Teacher Only Day: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February*

### Welcome to School

Welcome back to Josh Wellings, Josh has joined Rooms 2/3. We hope you enjoy your time at Lumsden School Josh.



### Lumsden School FoLS Garden Roster 2017/2018

November	December	January	February	March	April
Wendy Burgess	Rye/Marsh Family	Jeanna Rodgers	Chan Family	Mitchell Family	Annabel Saunders
Cara Metherell	Beks Ware	Sheat Family	Jordana Norrish	Mackenzie Aitken	Sharlie Maglaras
Judy Jamieson	McLachlan Family	Yvonne Muilwyk	Carrie Adams	Lorie Abella	Lewis Family
Herrick Family	Hejzlar Family		Megan Cuthbertson	Hunt Family	

The gardening areas are mainly at the front of the school and the planter boxes – mainly just weed pulling and removing dead leaves, etc. (approx. 30 mins).

**NB:** If the month doesn't suit please swap with someone else. Thank you for your support.

### Financial Contribution for Term 4 now due

The Board of Trustees respectfully ask for financial donations from each family to the value of \$100 per child for the first two children and \$70 for the third per annum.

We ask that you pay \$25 per child (for the first two) and \$17.50 for the third child for the fourth term. Alternatively you may wish to pay the full annual donation as a lump sum. Please make payment to Sharon in the office at school or directly into the school bank account 030960-0112624-00 (child/ren's name as reference). Thanks to those families who have already paid.

## **2017 Annual Parent Survey**

Our annual Parent Survey will be carried out over the next two weeks. This is always a great opportunity for the Board of Trustees to receive feedback and ideas about what we are providing for children in terms of their education here at Lumsden School.

Over the next 2 weeks, a Board of Trustees member will be phoning you to ask the following questions:

1. What is Lumsden Primary School doing well for your child / children?
2. What do you think Lumsden Primary School can do better for your child / children?

Please consider your answers to these questions and expect to hear from a BoT member in the next week. If you would rather complete this survey online, please copy this link into your web browser:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DG3V5N7>

We value your feedback and look forward to speaking to you.

## **Bible in Schools**

**Please note that school is officially closed during this time and parents are responsible for supervising any children not attending Bible in Schools with the exception of some bus children.**

Donations towards the cost of books for the children who attend Bible in Schools would be much appreciated. The approximate cost for each child is \$7.50. **Please send any donations along to school in a named envelope.** We can then forward these on to the LBK Presbyterian Church who provide the books. Thanks to those families who have already sent their donations.

## **School Lawns**

Our lawn mowing roster has now commenced. This involves each school family being rostered in alphabetical order, to mow the small sections of lawn close to the school which aren't part of the contract we have with NSC to do the large field area. With 62 families, it means that you will be contacted only once every couple of years. We appreciate the help with this.

When it's your turn, here are the guidelines to follow;

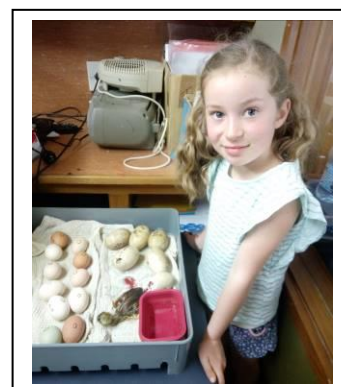
- Pick up the school mower shed key from the Four Square Supermarket
- Check the mower has fuel and fill from can in shed if necessary. Please let the school know if petrol can is low and we will refill
- Check the map attached to the mower showing which areas to mow
- Catcher loads of grass can be emptied around the back of the school next to the sports container. Wheelbarrow next to shed or in vege garden area available if required
- Top mower up with fuel, when finished and return key to Four Square Supermarket.

The roster for the next 3 weeks is:

- 4/5 November Marsh Family
- 11/12 November McBride Family
- 18/19 November McFadzien Family

## **Eggciting Arrivals!**

Meg keeps an eye on one of the brand new goslings which hatched this week.



## Finish line Ambassadors



Blake and Ruby get set to wave the Tour of Southland riders into the finish on Monday.

## Safe in the Sun

Great to have our new sunscreen station in this super sunny weather we've been having. Thanks to Cindy Quertier for organising this for us.



## Putangitangi Performers

Our 30-strong Putangitangi group was a real crowd pleaser at the Stadium last Friday. Resource Teacher of Māori presented them with the Novice trophy (below) on Wednesday.



## Touch Rugby

Unfortunately the Touch Rugby which was due to start next week has now been cancelled due to the withdrawal of one of the schools. Thank you to those parents who offered to help with coaching. We are working on an alternative event to give these teams an opportunity to enjoy some games.

## Mid Northern Southland Toy Library Fundraiser - Catering items

Foil / wrap / baking paper - household items and just in time for the busy baking season :-)  
Catering pack size - great to have at the crib/bach and your own kitchen. Please contact Trish if you wish to order or for further information [trishy.mike@gmail.com](mailto:trishy.mike@gmail.com)

The Toy Library is at 33 Pluto Road, Lumsden. Great games, toys, equipment, outdoor toys, puzzles for 0yrs to 8yrs. Come and visit us on Tuesday afternoons 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

If you would like to check out some of our items visit us at the Cycle and Celebrate, Village Green on the 11<sup>th</sup> November.

### Pet Day Thank You

It was fantastic to see such a brilliant turn out of parents at our pet day.

A big thank you to all our parents for helping to set up, judge, help run Agri kids, and also for the awesome support with the BBQ. Your help ensured we had a successful Pet Day.



Thanks to Toni McLachlan for the awesome photos!

Northern Southland's  
**"Cycle and Celebrate"**  
Cycle Race and Market Day

**CYCLE  
and  
CELEBRATE**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2017**  
15km bike ride from Five Rivers to Lumsden  
11am start for ride & market day

Market Day  
Face Painting  
Cycle Race from Five Rivers  
Live music

[www.cycleandcelebrate.co.nz](http://www.cycleandcelebrate.co.nz)

*You are the one that we want.....!*

Garston School presents:  
A drive in screening of **GREASE**.

Athol Rugby Grounds  
25 November 2017

Rock 'n' Roll dress up optional.

*Yes it's true! As part of our ongoing fundraising activities Garston School will be hosting a drive in movie night.*

*As well as the movie screening we will also be providing a BBQ, Refreshments and Bar. There will also be market stalls, bouncy castle and a live band to jive to.*

*Tickets are \$50 per vehicle (4 or more people) or \$15 per person.*

*Call Bernie on 027 221 8374 if you would like a ticket.*

LEAPING FROG SWIM SCHOOL and the **SHARK SQUAD**  
present the

**Chocolate FISH**  
Christmas Carnival

**THURSDAY 16 NOVEMBER**  
From 6.00pm Entry \$5<sup>PP</sup>

Come along and join the fun. Lots of races for the whole family!  
Every swimmer gets a chocolate fish for being part of the fun.  
Entry Forms available from the Gore Multisports Complex entrance counter.  
Simply complete the entry form and return w/tn entry fee to the Gore Multisports Complex customer service team.

Entries must be in by **Tuesday 14 November 2017.**

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Gore AQUATIC CENTRE  
SHARK SQUAD  
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Phone: 03 203 9128  
Wayland Street West, Gore  
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Please note the time for the Chocolate Fish Carnival and Ribbon event has a **4.00pm start**, NOT a 6.00pm start as stated in the above flyer.