

Please be aware that sometimes due to unforeseen circumstances, these dates can change.

IMPORTANT DATES TERM 1 & 2 2018

		Term Dates
12 April	Integrated Digital Inquiry Learning Day	
13 April	Term 1 Concludes	
30 April	Term 2 Commences	Term 1 07/02/18 - 13/04/18
16 May	BoT Meeting 5pm	Term 2 30/04/18 – 06/07/18
27-30 May	NYLD Conference & Camp Dunedin Yrs 7 & 8	Term 3 23/07/18 – 28/09/18
8 June	Basin Cross Country	Term 4 15/10/18 – 18/12/18
15 June	Northern Cross Country	
20 June	BoT Meeting	
22 June	Southland Cross Country	
29 June	Arts Day - Music	
5 July	Digital Day	

From the Principal's Desk,

Judging by the excited chatter and positive responses shared by both children and parents, our annual clubs day which was held last Friday proved to be another very successful school event. Not even the rain appeared to put a dampener on the thrill of the outdoor activities, but instead had the opposite effect making the day even more exciting for those who were out and about fishing, biking, playing golf or developing their photography skills. Being able to stop for a hot chocolate for a bit of a warm up just added to the excitement of the experience, not only for the students, but also their wonderful parent- helpers. Those who opted to stay at school were full of the joys of living as they worked together with another fantastic team of parents baking, building, flax weaving and making movies. Well done to everyone involved and many, many thanks to those parents who gave up their valuable time to run these activities for our students.

This week it feels like we are closing a rather special era on our school with Mrs Gentle deciding that the time has come for her to close the office door at Mararoa for the last time. Mrs Gentle has had a very long association with our school. She held the position of full time Office Administrator for many years, then later returning to a part-time job sharing position. Mrs Gentle has been a tower of strength to all of us lucky enough to have worked alongside her and she has been valued by both children and parents as the person at the front desk who was always there to sort things out for them. At Mrs Gentle's request, we have not held a formal school farewell but we are not letting her sneak out the back door without taking this opportunity to publicly express our appreciation for everything she has done over the years, and wishing her well with the many things she hopes she is going to find the time to do for herself now.

To fill the vacancy left by Mrs Gentle's resignation, Mrs Campbell will be working full time in the office as from the beginning of term 2.

I hope everyone enjoys the term one holiday break and look forward to welcoming everyone back when term 2 commences on 30 April.

Principal Mary Baigent

Southland Swimming Champs

Congratulations to,

Iris Spence 1st Breaststroke, 1st freestyle, 1st butterfly, 2nd Backstroke

Ada Horrell 7th Backstroke

Charlie Carran 10th Breaststroke

Southland Primary Schools Athletics

Congratulations to,

Ruth Cody 10th Long Jump, 7th 200m

Holly Kempthorne 15th Discus, 4th 800m, 1st Relay

Nicole Green 2nd 200m, 2nd Relay

Max Kempthorne 5th Relay

Charlie Ruddenklau 2nd Relay

Lachlan Crombie 18th Discus



We are close to reaching our goal of \$1000 which means we will be able to choose from one of the fabulous sports or technology packages available.

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We have received \$74 from this programme, Thank you to PGG Wrightsons, Balance and our local community for supporting the Cash for Communities programme.

Mother Earth Future Ferns

Year 1-8 MotherEarth FutureFerns netball skills and coaching workshop for coaches/interested parent helpers of Year 1-8 players. Alex Morrison-Bailey (NetballSouth Development Officer) will be in Te Anau to deliver this workshop on Friday 27th April, running two sessions – Year 1-4 from 5:30-7pm, Year 5-8 from 7-8:30pm, at the Event Centre.

Any queries or to register please text Tarn Willans 0273654456.

Fiordland Community Swimming Pool

School Holiday Public Sessions:

Monday to Sunday 1.00pm-5.00pm
(16 - 28 April 2018)

FREE SWIM: Saturday 28 April 2018 to close the season

<https://sites.google.com./site/fiordlandpool/>

BAGS OF FUN!

Join us at Te Anau Library for heaps of recycling fun
Make something new using old plastic bags or create a cool reusable bag

Thursday 19th April 2-4pm

To reserve a place register at Te Anau Library or by phoning 0800 732 542

Inside-Out Easter Eggs

Botanical name: Chocious Cackleberry

Where to grow: Easter!

Fundamentals for good growth:

Filling:

Macadamia nuts

250g dried apricots, chopped (unsulphured if possible)

1/3 cup runny honey (raw is best)

¼ cup orange juice

1 cup desiccated coconut (ideally preservative-free)

Chocolate shell:

125 raw cacao butter (chopped into small pieces)

Generous ½ cup cacao powder

Generous 1/8 cup maple syrup or runny honey

Hundreds & thousands, or sesame seeds for decoration

How to grow:

Select 25 or so whole macadamias (or use 2 halves), put aside.

Blend apricots with honey in a food processor until a sticky paste forms. Add juice and coconut & blend again until mixed.

Using fingers, pick up some mixture (approx. walnut size) and shape into an egg shape around a macadamia. The white nut is the yolk, and the orange mixture is the egg white (back-to-front!). Chill in the freezer.

Bring a shallow pot of water to the simmer and gently melt the cacao butter in a bowl suspended over the water, but not touching it. When melted, add the cacao powder & sweetener. Whisk until smooth, then cool quickly by placing the bowl in a container of cold water, stirring. When the chocolate is thick and almost turning solid, drop an egg into it to coat all over, lift out with 2 forks, letting excess chocolate drip into the bowl. If the shell is too thin, dunk again when the chocolate has cooled more. Place coated egg on a tray lined with baking paper & while still sticky, sprinkle with decoration of choice. When all eggs are made, cool in the freezer or fridge until solid. Store in the fridge.

If you would like your child to have Bakery Club goodies to eat, please send \$5 to the school office to buy a coupon that will allow children to buy items at 50c or \$1 each. Children will be advised when coupons are used up. Please send your healthy eating recipes to: sally.macmillan@gmail.com

