



Important Dates 2017

December

Fri 8 Portfolios go home
Mon 11 Community Picnic
Tue 12 Portfolios to be returned
Tue 12 Y6 Day Out
Tue 12 Graduation Evening
Wed 13 Jnr Merit Morning
Wed 13 Mid/Snr Merit Afternoon
Thu 14 Prizegiving Afternoon—SBHS
Fri 15 Last day Term 4

2018

January

Mon 29 School Office opens
Mon 29 Teacher only day
Tues 30 Teacher only day
Wed 31 First day of Term 1
New Entrants, Year 1 and 2 students meet at 8.50am in the hall
Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 meet at 9.40am in the hall.

Please remember to let the office know of any changes in phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, emails etc.

Assembly

Fri 24 November - Full School 1:20pm
Fri 1 December - Syndicate 1:20pm Senior/Middle 2:15pm Junior

Absences

School Stream App—go to Forms then Absentee Form and complete absence and submit or **text** your absences on 0273 727 070—child's first and last name, class and also reason for absence. (eg. Jane Smith Rm 3 sick.)

From the Principal's Desk



Talofa, Kia Ora and welcome to this week's newsletter.

Week 6, where is it all going. Only 3 weeks left! This is the second last newsletter so best you study all the dates and times and the invites. So much for all of us to remember. We hope our newsletter will keep you on track and in the loop.

You will notice a community picnic notice, let's hope the weather plays ball for us. Very low key and informal, just a time to get together.

If you know of children yet to enrol for next year, please let us know and hurry these along so we can plan where to put our next group of children.

Tonight we congratulate Miss Williams and Miss Morton who will be attending the Teacher Registration Ceremony to celebrate the completion of their two year Advice and Guidance Programme. Congratulations from all the Donovan whanau.

Happy reading, and happy squeezing everything in.

E noho ra
Peter Hopwood
 Principal

Last Day for Donovan Canteen 2017

Friday,
8 December

No heat ups
during the
last week of
school.

DONOVAN PRIMARY Summer Christmas COMMUNITY PICNIC

Monday, 11 December, 6pm – 8pm

Bring your picnic food, rug, chair, singing
voices and sense of fun

for

a fun-filled evening of Christmas Carols,
family games

Cricket, T-ball etc

If wet the event will be cancelled.
Notification will be on School Stream or Facebook by 3pm on the day.

Keep this on your fridge...

END OF YEAR PREPARATIONS

We are starting to think about our end of year events. There are a few things that parents can keep their eye on. Library books, resources and instructional readers should already be returned to school. If you find some at home, please send them along a.s.a.p. All sports uniforms should be back to school a.s.a.p please.

Portfolios/Reports will go home on **Friday, 8 December**. The Portfolios are to be returned by **Tuesday, 12 December**.

Merit Assembly will be on **Wednesday, 13 December**. Juniors will start at 11am and the Middle and Senior students will start at 1.15pm on this day. This is where children are recognised for great work throughout the year.

Graduation Day and Evening

This will be on **Tuesday, 12 December**. The Year 6 students enjoy a day out and have a **formal** graduation at **7pm** that evening for themselves and their families. Invites are going home soon so keep a lookout for this.

Prizegiving Assembly

Prizegiving will be held at Southland Boys High School on Layard Street, on **Thursday, 14 December, at 1pm** (we will have an early lunch) and this is a time to celebrate the children who are being recognised for outstanding effort and achievement within the school. Parents will be notified if their child is a recipient. Two deserving students will be awarded our PTA and BOT trophies for Citizenship and we will also be naming our School Leaders for next year. School will finish at the normal time of 3.00pm. Children will be bused to and from Southland Boys' High School.

Last Day

School will be finishing at **1pm** on **Friday, 15 December** with the lowering of the school flag. There will be no lunch break.

2018 PREPARATIONS

Start date for 2018

New Entrants, Year 1 and Year 2 students - **8.50am**

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - **9.40am**

Wednesday, 31 January 2018—all students are to meet in the hall.

Their new classes will be announced then and children will be taken with their new teachers to their room.

If you know that your child, or children are not returning to Donovan for 2018, could you please let the office know immediately, as we are currently working on classes for next year.

The 2018 school day commences at 8.50am. Morning tea is from 10am to 10.20am. Brainbreak is from 11.20am to 11.30am and lunch is from 12.30pm until 1.15pm, and school finishes at 3pm.

2018 Term Dates

Term 1—Wednesday, 31 January to Friday, 13 April

Term 2—Monday, 30 April to Friday, 6 July

Term 3—Monday, 23 July to Friday, 28 September

Term 4—Monday, 15 October with end date to be advised

Waitangi Day—Monday, 6 February

Easter—Friday, 30 March

Easter—Monday, 2 April, Tuesday, 3 April

Queens Birthday—Monday, 4 June

Labour Day—Monday, 22 October

STATIONERY

Stationery lists are included with this newsletter. If you require another copy it will be on School Stream and Facebook. We will also be posting them onto the front door, if you lose it during the holidays. Remember that Office Max are offering an online ordering service at **www.myschool.co.nz**. This is a quick and easy way to avoid the rush in town before school restarts.

The school office will be open from Monday, 29 January 2018.

Please remember to let the office know of any change in phone numbers, address, emails, emergency contacts etc. Changes can be made on School Stream, email or by contacting the school office 215 9664.

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2017 Stationery Requirements

To make going Back to School easy for you we have teamed up with OfficeMax MySchool to have our class list stationery requirements loaded up on to myschool.co.nz. We've found this is the easiest way for you to purchase your child's requirements. Simply search for our school, select your child's class/subject lists and follow the instructions on the website.

Buying through OfficeMax MySchool also earns School Rewards for our school which we can redeem for much needed educational supplies, equipment for our classrooms or for students in need.

Stationery lists will be posted on School Stream when they become available.



Responsible Student Award Term 4, Week 5

Congratulations to these children who have shown good Donovan Values. Their names were drawn out at assembly. They can choose between a chocolate bar or an item of stationery. Chocolate continues to be a favourite.

Jordy Stuck-Campbell Rm 16, Emma Myers Rm 1, Jay Samson Rm 7, Grace Buchan Rm 18, Kalem Ryan Rm 8, Tatum Tanner Rm 13, Tasmin Schiller Rm 7, Carlos Brown Rm 1, Mason Coulthard Rm 1

Lost Property

Please keep checking our lost property, which will be on display outside the hall on Friday's. If your clothing is named, then it can be returned to the student.



New Students

We welcome our new students: Liam Murphy, Aria Zhou and Stella Hamilton.

We hope they and their families enjoy their association with Donovan Primary.

School Stream App

Our recent School Stream survey gave us some really positive feedback. Of the 18 replies we received; 15 found school stream useful, one answered yes and no to being useful, one did not have a smart phone, and, one found that they sometimes missed messages due to the number of notifications sent.

You are able to modify notifications you receive by other apps through your settings.

Some of the comments we received from the survey were: it is handy, brilliant, really useful, great tool, quick and easy to use, useful to look back on past notices, newsletters and canteen menu, it's all there in one place and works wonders. Some suggestions we received, eg being able to update contact details and a calendar to show when things are on, are being looked into and we will update you as these options become available. You could also use your own calendar on your phone for events or go to the latest newsletter and refer to the important dates section on the inside cover.

Current and previous newsletters are available within School Stream, however an alternative option is to supply us with your email address so we can forward the newsletter to you by email. If you would like the newsletter emailed to you please complete and return the form on the right.

We will be continuing with our aim to go paperless by the end of next year so any assistance we are able to give you to help with any area of the School Stream App we are only too happy to help, please come and see us. The idea to go paperless is in line with many schools and in particular high schools; who are now providing nearly all their information electronically. Our intention is to reduce time, resources and cost of communicating/providing information. Your assistance to help our school to achieve this aim is greatly appreciated. So get on board and be a School Stream user. Remember any number of people can download the app, so all parents, grandparents, caregivers, friends and anyone else who is interested to receive Donovan information are able to do so. Using School Stream is an ideal opportunity to get ready for high school where you will find everything is electronic. To download—go to your app store, search for School Stream and download. Easy Peasy.

If you have any questions about communications with Donovan please contact Maureen at the school office on 2159664.

Please email my Donovan newsletter to

Email Address: _____


Parent(s) Name(s): _____

Parent(s) Phone Number: _____

Name(s) of Children attending school _____

Please complete and return to the school office.

2018 Stationery Option...



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COMMUNITY NOTICES

EZ Covers

The easier, cheaper, reusable and recyclable way to cover your school exercise books. Browse or order online www.excovers.com.

IHD Summer Holiday Sessions

Wanting to improve your basic hockey skills? Wanting to learn how to play hockey? Older players wanting to work on fitness? IHD Coaching—nurturing young talent for success. ILT Hockey Turfs, Invercargill, \$20 per player per session or \$100 for 6 sessions (up front). Email IHD Coaching to development@ihdcoaching.co.nz or call Tony if you have any questions on 021708414. Poster on notice board at the school office for further information.

Fundraiser for Aubrey Page

Aubrey is fundraising for a cricket trip to Nelson in January

2018. He is selling toilet paper—48 rolls for \$45. The rolls are 2 ply and twice the size of a normal roll. It's premium quality, not seconds. Contact Cimone on 021 030 2501 or 215 4537 if you wish to buy any to support Aubs. Thanks in advance.

Fundraiser

Each month the Heart Foundation produce two newsletter snippets for schools. These are designed to support schools to promote healthy messages. We would like to invite you to receive these snippets. If you would like to be included on the email database, please reply by email to LindaH@heartfoundation.org.nz with 'snippets yes', by 29 November.

Christmas Colouring Competition—Rowena Jackson Retirement Village

If you would like to enter this colouring competition please collect your entry from the school office.

Out of School Art Classes

Enrolments are now being taken for Term 1—4 2018. Classes are available for year 1-8 pupils. For information and enrolments please contact Helen, Co-ordinator on 2177482.

Christmas Ladies Night

Waikiwi Kindergaren, 25 Durham Street, presents a Christmas Ladies Night. Wednesday, 6 December 2017, 7.00pm-9.00pm. Come, see and fill your stockings. Wonderful market stalls offering home crafts and décor, beauty, toys, confectionery and more. Free public admission.

Thinkit

Thinkit creates independent learners. It delivers Feuerstein; an ideal program for individuals with a learning difference. Specialising in Fie for dyslexia. Develops cognitive functions. Builds neuron pathways. Creates flexibility in problem solving. Enhances the process of thinking in all individuals. Small group and individual Feuerstein lesson's, in school and out of school hours are available, term 1 2018. For more information please contact Kiri Scott 0211189882 kiri.oniyon@yahoo.co.nz Feuerstein links www.campuslink.org.nz www.icelp.info.

Foodbank

Harcourt's in association with Fire Service, Police, St John, Red Cross, Westpac, More FM and Creation Signs will be out and about collecting your non-perishable goods for the foodbank. Please have your goods available clearly visible from the street close to your letterbox for

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Waikiwi Community Christmas Fair

Saturday 2 December
9am - 1pm, Waikiwi

FOOD & CRAFT STALLS Waikiwi Church Hall	PONY RIDES Old Waikiwi School Grounds	FREE SANTA PHOTOS & COLOURING IN Rowena Jackson Village
SAUSAGE SIZZLE Waikiwi Gardens Rest Home & Waikiwi Vets	BOUNCY CASTLE Ruru School Carpark	MUSIC Outside the Church Hall
BIG BIG TEA-ME-NOON Café - Early Learning Centre	KIDS BEAUTY & HAIR PARLOUR Waikiwi Pharmacy	MORNING TEA & CHILL ZONE Clare House Retirement Village
GROWN-UP BAKE PLANTED The Grind	12 COFFEE & 15 KIDS LUNCH PACK The Grind	\$2 SUNDAYS Ravenhall Milk Bar

Treasure Hunt
Proceeds supporting Hospice

Supported by the following participating businesses: Waikiwi Vets, The Grind Café, Vision Hair and Beauty, Waikiwi Gardens Rest Home, Ruru School, Robin Hood Mill-Bar, The Waikiwi Tavern/The Foundry, Nichols Café Greenworld & Nichols Garden Centre, St Stephen's Church, Rowena Jackson Retirement Village, BURA Care Home, Clare House Retirement Village and Waikiwi Pharmacy.



Heart Foundation

ADDING MORE VEGETABLES TO LUNCHBOXES

Vegetables are high in vitamins, minerals and fibre - important nutrients for growing children. Add some to the lunchbox every day.

- ♥ Cut up seasonal vegetables your child likes and serve with hummus. Try carrots, beans, capsicum, celery, tomatoes, snow peas, mushrooms
- ♥ Add vegetables into sandwiches such as lettuce, grated carrot, beetroot, cucumber, tomato, spring onions
- ♥ Put frozen mixed vegetables, beans, corn or peas in small containers
- ♥ Use vegetables in baking, try carrot muffins / corn fritters / zucchini fritters / vegetable pizza
- ♥ Include leftover vegetables from last night's dinner

For more ideas, visit fuelled4life.org.nz

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

FUNDRAISING FOR THE SANDPIT REDEVELOPMENT



CONGRATULATIONS DONOVAN PRIMARY – what a wonderful way to end the school year. We have had the Junior School Disco which 150 juniors attended and our Major Term 4 Raffle – the Christmas Hamper Raffle, where we gave out a whopping **48 Christmas Hampers** and made an **AMAZING \$4,580.00** for the School Sandpit Redevelopment. All winners have been contacted by phone.

Our six lucky mystery prize winning Students were: -

Kryslar Briggs, Lucia Supersard
 Kailyn Windle, Brooke Huffadine
 Brianna Marshall, Wyatt Durham

Junior School
Middle School
Senior School

Congratulations go out to Room 16 who sold the most tickets per classroom, well done to Room 14 where all their raffle cards were either sold or returned and a fantastic effort from Jordy Stuck Campbell who sold 16 raffle tickets.

Great effort team!!!

All our lucky raffle winners have been phoned.

DONOVAN'S CHRISTMAS TREE AT THE STADIUM

The kids have been busy making decorations for the Donovan Tree. These will feature on the Christmas Tree at the Stadium. 'Wishing you a Donovan Christmas'.

Every year the year 6's will make a Little Donovan Peg soldier to add to our tree

Huge thank you also to the parents and staff who helped out at the working bee last weekend – the tree is going to look amazing

The PTA, school leaders and council will be decorating the tree this weekend... More photos in the next newsletter



The trees will be opened officially on Monday 27 November and you can view them at the Stadium from Tuesday 28 November until Christmas – **VOTE DONOVAN** –

the tree with the most tokens at the end will win.

Watch the School's facebook page - there will be the opportunity to post a picture of your family with our tree.

NZ School of Dance for 2018

We are thrilled to learn Danye Takitimu was accepted for NZ School of Dance for 2018 to further her career in classical ballet. Over 80 students applied from throughout New Zealand and two were accepted. She will travel to Wellington regularly. Congratulations on your achievement and we wish you all the best.

CANTEEN REMINDERS

Thank you for your continued support of the School Canteen. We have had a few new initiatives this year that we look forward to promoting and making these even better in 2018.

The final canteen day will be Friday 8th of December.

NO HEAT UPS - on Monday 11th - Friday 15th December.

A HUGE THANK YOU to Tracy Boniface and her team in the Canteen who work effortlessly every day for all our kids.

Uniforms

Due to all the sporting codes playing so late into term 4 it is going to be imperative that uniforms are clean and returned promptly before the end of term.

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Stationery Requirements for 2018

New Entrants

New Entrant packs are available from the office for \$50.00

This includes a **Donovan sunhat**.

Year 1: (Only replace items if completely used otherwise last year's books can be used)

- ☐ 1 x Large journal bag Velcro
- ☐ 4 x Amos glue sticks 35gm
- ☐ 2 x **Trubb The Really Useful Scrapbook** *
- ☐ 1 x 20 pocket book display
- ☐ 8 x **JWB junior writing 14mm ruled 40lf exercise book** *
- ☐ 1 x JMB 10mm Graph Junior Maths Book
- ☐ 4 x Whiteboard marker bullet black.
- ☐ 1 x box facial tissues (100 sheets)
- ☐ 2x Red Pens – Papermate Ink Joy 100RT
- ☐ 5x Black Pens – Papermate Ink Joy 100RT

* Purchase from Office Max in Yarrow Street

Year 2

- ☐ 4 x Large Amos Glue Sticks
- ☐ 1 x 20 page Clearfile
- ☐ 2 x JMB 10mm Graph Junior Maths Book
- ☐ 4 x **Trubb The Really Useful Scrapbook** *
- ☐ 4 x Whiteboard markers (Black) - fine
- ☐ 8 x **JWB 14mm Ruled Junior Book** *
- ☐ 1 x Colouring pencils (12)
- ☐ 1 x Large book bag (if required)
- ☐ 1 x box facial tissues (100 sheets)
- ☐ 2x Red Pens – Papermate Ink Joy 100RT
- ☐ 5x Black Pens – Papermate Ink Joy 100RT
- ☐ 1x 30cm ruler (non flexi)

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Please name all stationery.

Items can be purchased online at www.myschool.co.nz and delivered to your door.

Year 3 & 4

- ☐ 8 x 1B5
- ☐ 2 x 1E5 with Margins
- ☐ 1 x 9B5
- ☐ 3 x Red Pens Papermate Ink Joy 100RT
- ☐ 5 x Black Pens Papermate Ink Joy 100RT
- ☐ 1 x Whiteboard Marker (fine, Black)
- ☐ 4 x Large Amos Gluesticks
- ☐ 1 x 20 Page Clearfile
- ☐ 1 x Colouring Pencils (12) –no felts
- ☐ 2 x Rubbers
- ☐ 1 x 30cm Ruler (non flexi)
- ☐ 1 x Highlighter
- ☐ 1 x Large Book Bag
- ☐ 1 x Pencil case
- ☐ 1x A3 Scrapbook
- ☐ 1x box facial tissues (100 sheets)



Year 5 & 6

- ☐ 10 x 1B5
- ☐ 3 x 1E5
- ☐ 1 x 200pg A4 Lined Refill
- ☐ A3 Scrapbook
- ☐ 1 x 4b Art Pencil
- ☐ 1 x Black fine tip permanent marker
- ☐ 1 x Pencil Sharpener, Non flexi Ruler, Scissors and Colouring Pencils (24)
- ☐ 2x Red pens – Papermate Ink Joy 100RT
- ☐ 5x Black pens – Papermate Ink Joy 100RT
- ☐ 3 x Large Glue Sticks
- ☐ 2 x Whiteboard Markers
- ☐ 1 x 20 Page Clearfile
- ☐ 1 x box facial tissues (100 sheets)

