

Important 2021 Dates



May

Tue 25 -Mid/Snr Swimming

June

Tue 1 - Cross Country

Mon 7—Queens Birthday

Wed 9—Zone Cross Country

Fri 18—Sthld Cross Country

Tue 22 -Jnr Swimming

Wed 23 -Jnr Swimming

Thur 24 -Jnr Swimming

Tue 29 -Jnr Swimming

Wed 30 -Jnr Swimming

July

Thur 1 -Jnr Swimming

Tue 6 -Jnr Swimming

Tue 6—Interviews—School closes at 1pm

Wed 7—Interviews after 3.30pm

Wed 7 -Jnr Swimming

Thur 8 -Jnr Swimming

Fri 9—End Term 2

Mon 26 - Start Term 3

August

September

Tue 7—School photos

October

Fri 1—End Term 3

Mon 18—Start Term 4

Mon 25—Labour Day

November

Mon 1—Sun 21 Senior Camps

December

Last day of term TBA

Assemblies -

Fri —21 May

Syndicate assembly —
Mid/Sen 1.20pm;
Juniors 2pm.

Fri —28 May

Whole school assembly
1.20pm.

From the Principal's Desk



Kia Ora, Nau mai hoki mai ki te kura.

We are nearly finished Year 3 to Year 6 swimming, only one to go next Tuesday. What great helpers we have had. The staff and public have noticed the great behaviour Donovan learners show when at the pool.

Parent Teacher interviews start on Tuesday 6 July and continue on Wednesday 7 July. Look out for when the on-line bookings come out so you can book times with your children's teacher or teachers.

The term is certainly going fast with three weeks already down.

Hasn't it been wet and cold? We have been keeping children inside and off the wet areas due to how damp our grass areas are getting. Please send children with coats and hats etc. on these very cold days. On these wet and wild days the cars are stacked up around our school. It is like an accident waiting to happen, please slow down, be patient and careful.

Don't forget to keep checking the lost property every Friday as well as the lost property from swimming. It is in a tub in the vestibule separate from the rest.

Keep warm.

Ma te wa

Peter Hopwood

Principal.

New Students to Donovan Primary:

Welcome Tate Douds, Olivia Bean, Elaina Parata and Bonnie Hughes to Donovan Primary. We hope you and your families enjoy your association with the Donovan Community.

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. You can also go to the url on your computer - <https://donovanprimaryschool.myschoolstream.net>

Winners of R.E.A.L Awards for **Friday 14 May.**



Congratulations to the above children for receiving a R.E.A.L certificate at Fridays assembly.

Front Row: Emily Gutsell R6, Kayla McLean R5, Georgia Savage R13, Fletcher Halder R16, Arthur Donnelly R14, Arlo Gilkison R15, Matai Kerr R9, Thomas Walker R4.

Back Row: Drake Hamlin R20, Amera Mohamed R21, Tasha Huffadine R1, Mateo Tsui R3, Anahera-Rose Ormond-Butcher R7, Millie Fryer R11 Kahurangi Tuau-Tengu R8, Grace Buchanan R2.

Absent Sarvin Patel R12, Lucas Trethaway R18.

Spare Clothing: If anyone has any spare trackpants (gender neutral) that they no longer need we would love to have them for our spare clothing. We have run out of trousers/trackpants to give those children who slip over and get themselves very wet and/or muddy. If we can keep the clothing natural then we won't have to store as much of it, as some boys don't seem too impressed when we offer them pink flowery tights as an option. We still have some undies and the odd sweatshirt but if you have these to give away as well, then that would be great. Any size would be appreciated.

SWIMMING:

Junior Swimming -Rooms 18,17,16,15,14,13 and 12 will begin their swimming programme on Tuesday 22 June. They will swim on 22,23,24,29 and 30 June as well as 1,6,7 and 8 July. We will be putting out a notice on School Stream very shortly asking for helpers for the juniors. There are a few things that you can do to help prepare your wee ones.

1. Ensure your child can dry and dress themselves.
2. Remind them what clothes they are wearing that day (particularly under garments).
3. Ensure your child can dry their hair, particularly if it is longer.
4. Name their towels, togs and clothing
5. Make it easier by having easy clothes to take off and put on and shoes they can put on unaided.

Not too much really, but every bit helps to minimise the confusion that can reign in the changing rooms.

Donovan Primary Cross Country

This year we will once again be running the school cross country at Donovan Park on Bainfield Road on Tuesday 1 June (Wednesday, Thursday are postponement days).

The Junior school (ages 5,6 and 7) are walking to the park to do their pond run and will travel back to school by bus (9.20 – 11.00).

The rest of the school will be running their races around our normal lunch time, so parents can come and watch (11.30 – 1.30).

Can all parents and family members please park their cars in the Waikiwi Rugby Club car park and walk into the park.

The races will be organized in age groups (Boys and Girls) and after an age group has finished, they will move off to the WRC car park to catch the shuttle bus back to school.

We will need parent helpers to walk with the children and be marshals. If you can help, please fill in the form on Schoolstream. Children will need to have in their bags - a coat, something warm to layer up with, a change of shoes if they wish and their drink bottle.

Age is taken as of the 31 Dec 2021 (note: this is different to the Athletic Sports ages)

Timetable- Junior School

9.00	Class roll – organize clothing etc
9.20	Assemble outside hall
9.30	Start <i>walking children with school leaders</i>

Children will walk to Donovan Park via – Drury Lane - Gloucester St- Durham St- Bainfield Rd

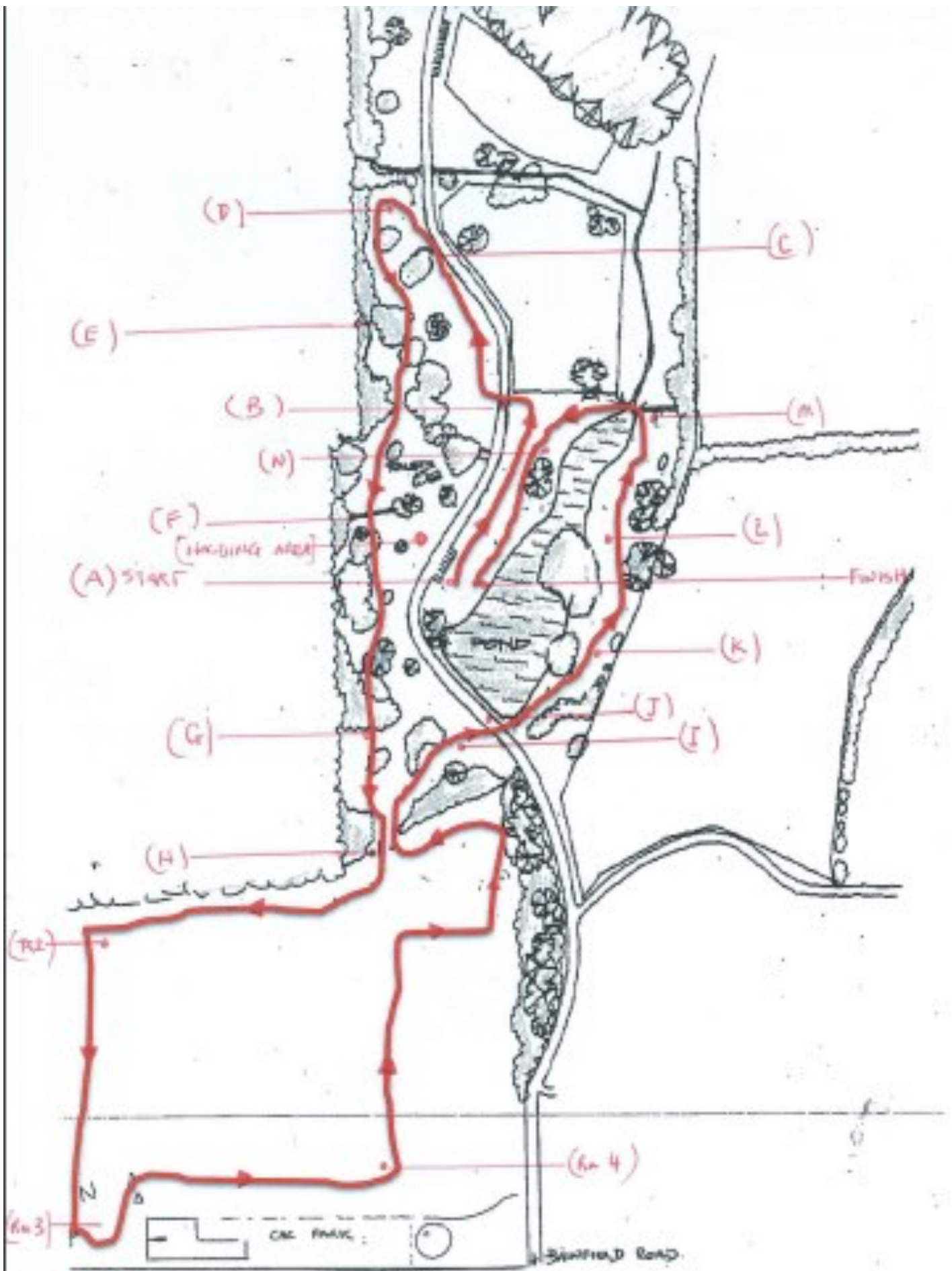
10.10	5 year old Boys will run around the duck pond <u>once</u> .
10.15	5 year old Girls will run around the duck pond <u>once</u>
10.20	6 year old Boys will run around the duck pond <u>once</u> .
10.25	6 year old Girls will run around the duck pond <u>once</u> .
10.30	7 year old Boys will run around the duck pond <u>twice</u> .
10.35	7 year old Girls will run around the duck pond <u>twice</u>

Timetable- Senior School

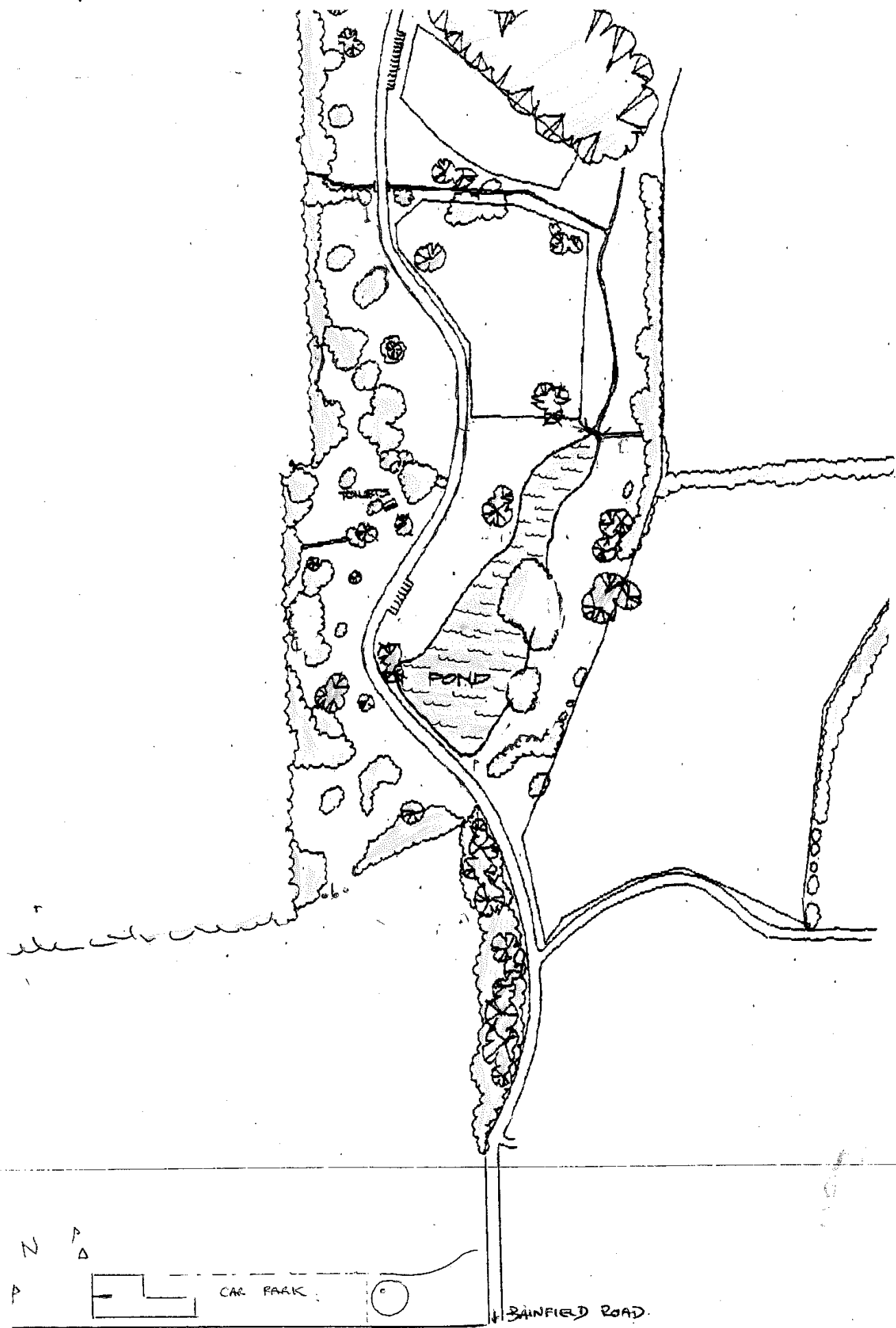
10.00	Morning Tea as per normal
10.30	Back to class - staff to have checked bags in class
10.40	Assemble outside hall
10.50	Start <i>walking middle children with seniors</i>

Children will walk to Donovan Park via – Drury Lane - Gloucester St- Durham St- Bainfield Rd

12.00	8 year old Boys will run around the duck pond <u>twice</u>
12.05	8 year old Girls will run around the duck pond <u>twice</u>
12.15	9 years Boy will run from the back of Rugby grounds and round pond
12.25	9 years Girls will run from the back of Rugby grounds and round pond
12.35	10 years Boy will run around rugby grounds and then around pond
12.45	10 years Girls will run around rugby grounds and then around pond
12.55	11 years Boy will run around rugby grounds and then around pond
1.05	11 years Girls will run around rugby grounds and then around pond
1.25	Last of pupils return to school



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Please let the school know of any changes in addresses, phone numbers, emails or work details. You can either email, phone or send through the 'contact us' form on School Stream.

We have been caught trying to find parents when a child is sick or hurt and phone numbers have changed.

Keep an eye on our calendar on the left hand side of the first page. This is changing all the time and it will give you a heads up with what is coming up, if you need to plan your diaries.

School Stream. Don't forget to check to see if you have the latest version of Schoolstream. If you wish to check, then open up the programme, select the three horizontal bars in the top left corner of Schoolstream and down at the bottom of the screen it should show version 2.1.115 (Android) or 2.1.41 (Apple). If you do not have this latest version then you can either do an update or uninstall and reinstall to get the latest version. To do an update on androids, go to the Play Store and type School Stream in the search bar. The app and the update will show. Select the update and it should download for you. See how you go. If all else fails, uninstall and reinstall.

*Bringing up a family should be an adventure, not an anxious discipline
in which everybody is constantly graded for performance*
Milton R Sapirstein

Lost Property.

Don't forget to keep checking the lost property. The pile is getting quite large. Any items left at the end of term, will be donated to a worthy cause. They go on display every Friday.

We would love to know about any new children coming to
Donovan Primary for 2021.

Please pop into our office to collect an enrolment form.
It would be great to hear from you, as soon as possible.

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Office phone	03 2159664
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Donovan Primary Website	www.donovanprimary.ac.nz
Principal's email	principal@donovanprimary.ac.nz
School Hours	8.50am –12.20pm, 1.00pm-3.00pm
Entry/Departure times	No entry before 8.20am, collected by 3.15pm

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