

Good afternoon Big Rock families/whānau.

Children's Market Day

That was so cool. The children of Room's 2, 2b, 3, 4 and 5 using their artistic talents designed and made a range of products to sell to their peers and staff. The whole set up had a genuine market feel to it. Bunting up, music playing, the excited chatter of the buyers and the sellers. The children were fantastic, even queuing in a polite, patient manner. I know adults who could learn from that. Massive thanks to Teresa Grant, Jude van Aalst, Lisa Lamb, Richard Murray, Mr Clark and Miss Reynolds for creating the vibe and encouraging the creativity. Also Michelle Beck, Rachael Ward and Kara Walters for encouraging the spending!

Lastly, a big thank you to all of the children, a stunning effort with an amazing attitude.





Sports Round Up

Congratulations to Ella Coory who on the weekend took her Pre-Primary Ballet exam, also on the weekend Evie Hollands took her Primary Ballet exam. Well done to you both.



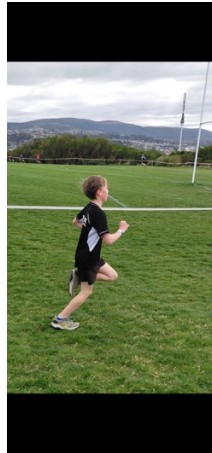
Also over the weekend, and there were some busy children (and parents) Ella Coory, Mieka Coory and Ada McIver performed on stage at their Aerobics Showcase, outstanding stuff.

Also on the weekend Evie Hollands competed in her Spring Perform Gymnastics competition, finishing 6th on the vault and 2nd in the team floor. Brilliant.

I think you can all have a rest now.



Well done to Zach Turner who competed in the Otago Primary Schools Cross Country Championship. Outstanding work Zach.



Bravo to everyone who ran in one of the events connected to the Dunedin Marathon. I would like to give a massive congratulations to Rhys Shayler, Josh de Thierry and Pearl Mansfield who all completed the 5k. That is an amazing effort.



Room 5 Gastro-nauts (Cooking that is out of this world)

My commiserations to former senior students Malaika Paton and Esme Grey. Sadly you are no longer Big Rock's reigning Pie Ministers. The children of Room 5 have made, then blind judged on taste, and appearance.

It is my honourable duty now to advise that the new Pie Minister is Pearl Mansfield (Best total taste and presentation). The winner for best taste overall and the new Deputy Pie Minister is Atiana Reihana. In second place overall (taste and presentation) and the new Penance Minister is Bailly Jenkinson. The voting overall was extremely close, and we had to have a recount.



FUTSAL

If your child is interested in playing futsal next term please let the office know asap. At this stage the numbers are very light. This is for all children who want to play futsal, whether they have before or not. We require every name please.

Big Rock's Got Talent

If your child is a singer, a dancer, musician, a juggler, or even a magician, then Big Rock's Got talent is for them. Of course, it might be a whole different talent that they want to share and we want to celebrate. On Friday 20th November all of the unique and willing talents will be showcased here at school. Please let us know their talent, timeframe of performance and if they have a stage name. The countdown begins...



Assembly and Dress Up Day

On Wednesday 23rd September (Last Wednesday of term) we are having an assembly. This at 2:10 outside the library, parents, pre-schoolers etc are all welcome.

Also on Wednesday 23rd September, we are having a dress up day. We want/need as many children as possible to come dressed as their favourite book character. Are they Harry Potter, or Hairy McLeary, one of the Bad Guys, Cat in the Hat, Mrs Wishy Washy or the BFG. There will be prizes.

Parents are welcome to come along for the grand parade dressed up to join in the celebration of literary giants. I'm thinking of being Jack Reacher!

Little Rock Pre-School



Little Rock Preschool is accepting new enrolments now.



After a large cohort of 5-year-olds heads off to school, we now have spaces available ...especially for our 3- to 5-year-olds.

We offer 30 hours of free ECE from 9 to 3 pm for this age group (3 to 5's), and we have very low hourly rates for younger children as well.

We provide regular Playball, Rugby, Ako Tahi and a unique Beach programme as well. You are welcome to pop in any time to say kia ora. We really appreciate all the local word-of-mouth support as this is how we stay active and vibrant in our community.

Many thanks from all the kaiako at LRPS. 🙏

SAUSAGE SIZZLE TUESDAYS

Every Tuesday, the senior students will be running a sausage sizzle until at least the end of the term. Sausage and bread with complimentary sauce a mere \$2 each. We are also capable of looking after any specific dietary requirements, whether they be cultural, health or personal lifestyle choices. Please let us know. Where necessary they can and will be cooked separately.



ONLY ON TUESDAY AT BIG ROCK

Have a great weekend

David Grant

Principal

Keith from Project Excavation Landscape is responsible for our school looking so smart. If you have any landscaping or excavation projects we highly recommend using his services.

Reminders

Sushi

Sushi is available for lunch every second Wednesday. You can order this by using the Kindo/Ezlunch app.

Term 3 sushi.

Wednesday 22nd July. 5th, 19th August. 2nd, 16th September.

Knowing if your child is well enough to go to school — guidance for parents and caregivers.

If you are not sure if your child is well enough to go to school, the Ministry of Health have a quick guide where you can check your child's symptoms to make an informed decision.

After School Care

Bookings or cancellations for After School Care can be made by texting 021 082 50863 or by emailing asc@bigrock.school.nz.

Office Hours

Monday and Wednesday – 8.45am – 3.15pm

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 8.45am – 12.15pm

Kelly is only in the office between these hours.

Please note that if your call goes to the answer phone, leave us a message. Staff may not be able to answer the phone at that time but will check the machine as soon as they can.

Lunch Orders

These can be made at the shop on a Friday or dropped at the school office before 9.00am.

Lost Property

This is located in the library.

2 Bath St • Brighton • Dunedin 9035

Ph 03 481 1781

email: office@bigrock.school.nz

Absences

Thank you for getting your absences and late notifications in before 8.50am on Skool Loop.

It saves us a lot of time if we don't have to chase these up.

The new Stepped Attendance Response Regulations from the Ministry of Education and what they mean.

An automatic email will be sent from EDGE, as per Ministry requirements, when absences reach 4.5 half days in a term.

Any absence must be recorded in accordance with the Ministry of Education attendance guidelines.

You can find further information about this on the Big Rock Primary School website under policies.