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Good morning Big Rock families/whānau.

I was at a meeting yesterday with some other principals from Dunedin, we were chatting about some of the things we have been doing at Big Rock, Beach Day, Pet Day and surfing. They were quite amazed at the things that we are able to do in our little slice of paradise. To quote the song 'we don't know how lucky we are.'

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.

Pet Day

What a fantastic day!

The children were beaming all day and very tired by the end of it.

A fantastic effort from the children and their helpers on the homework challenge. There was a variety of sizes and shapes. It was great to see the design process and pictures of them during the different stages of construction.

Once again the baking was amazing. A lot of effort went into all of them.

Check out the photos on our Facebook page.

Thank you to our judges, Lee-ann and Erin from the Green Island Informer. Look out for an article in the next issue.

SPCA Ambassadors

Thank you to Eric and Bucky from the SPCA who came to the Pet Day and met our SPCA Ambassadors.

Just a reminder that we are collecting pet food, old towels and taking gold coin donations for the SPCA.

We have 2 baskets in the office area for these and will be having regular collections for them throughout the year.

Shout Out to Room 5



**You were amazing on Pet Day.
Setting up and running games.
Organising and sorting out children.
Cooking the bbq.
We appreciate you!**

Otago Anniversary

Just a reminder that Monday is Otago Anniversary Day and the school will be closed.

Upcoming Events

PTA Working Bee – 21st March

Greater Green Island Triathlon – 24th March

Board of Trustees Meeting – 25th March @ 3.30pm.

Little Rock Pre-school Fundraiser – Bingo - 25th March @ 6.30pm at the Green Island Rugby Club

Pool Parties – 30th and 31st March

Pool Closed – 1st April

Last day of the term – 2nd April

Working Bee

Thank you to the PTA for organising this.

If you can spare some time this Saturday, 21st March, between 11.00am and 4.00pm, it would be much appreciated.



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Listening Laughing Learning Looking After Others

Some Big Rock students who were 'caught' displaying our school values this week were –

Braxton Parata-Walters – excellent work looking after others on Pet Day.

Bryn Little – sharing his Pet Day prize with another student who hadn't won one.

Ivar Elliot-Tressler – sharing his Pet Day prize with his sister when she hadn't won one.

Aurora Kelly-Matthews – being kind and caring towards others.

Alby McNab – always willing to help out in the classroom.

Sports Roundup

Players of the Day

Big Rock Stingrays



Dion Mooyman

Big Rock Orcas



Addison Jones

Big Rock Dolphins



Mieka Coory

Big Rock Sharks



Korbyn Parata-Walters

Basketball registrations close today.

Room 5 Surfing

Some action shots of the surfers yesterday.

This is part of our Yr 7-8 programme that we are lucky enough to have been running for quite a few years now.

Something for the Yr 6 children to look forward to next year.

This really is learning in paradise.



Reminders

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.

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.

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.



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Sushi

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

Lunch Orders

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

Lost Property

This can be located in the library.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

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Ph 020 432 6657 available between 7.30am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday.