

Clyde Primary School

Akoranga mo ake ake: Learning for Life



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Term 4 Week 4

Tuesday 28th October 2025



Kia ora koutou

I hope you all had a lovely Labour Day long weekend! Even though Monday felt a little wintery, I trust you still managed to enjoy some quality time together as whānau.

We want to sincerely thank our community for your understanding and support regarding the recent strike day last Thursday. We know how disruptive this can be, and we truly appreciate you arranging alternative care for your children. Principals, teachers, and support staff were taking a stand because we want the very best for our students and are pushing for the classroom support and resources our learners deserve. We really value and appreciate your ongoing support as we all work towards the best outcomes for our tamariki. Ngā mihi nui.

A huge congratulations to our incredible Kapa Haka rōpū for their outstanding performance at Polyfest! You delivered a stunning and powerful performance, and we are so proud of you all. A massive thank you to Sydney Robertson for her expert leadership of this group. We all appreciate the huge amount of mahi that went into preparing the group for Polyfest. It was also fantastic to see the new Senior Kapa Haka uniforms on stage. They really complemented our existing uniforms and looked absolutely fantastic. We appreciated the strong parent support in Queenstown! We also want to recognise those students who were part of the wider Kāhui Ako Kapa Haka rōpū. Their incredibly strong and polished performance is a testament to the time and effort put into preparing for the event.

A huge thank you to the whānau who supported the recent Year 5 Noho Marae trip—I apologise for missing this important inclusion in last week's newsletter! Our Year 5 learners had an amazing



experience at Puketeraki Marae in Karitane. They were able to deepen their understanding of Māori culture and local pūrākau (legends), and participating in waka ama was a particular highlight this year. I want to thank Alistair Banks and all the whānau who accompanied our students. Thank you so much for giving your time to support this important learning opportunity.

Our junior school classes have been busy delving into their inquiry topic, learning all about the extinct giant birds that once lived in New Zealand. They recently enjoyed a visit to the Clyde Museum to view their new exhibition which features some incredible bones which have come down from the Christchurch Museum, including those from the Moa and Haast Eagle. The opportunity to see the bones up close was a great way for them to make connections with what they have been learning about in their classrooms.

This week the Tūi class welcomes two new students, Mia Haymes-Napier and Malakai Rose. Nau mai, haere mai, we hope you have a wonderful time at Clyde School.



We have some exciting things coming up on the calendar!

- School Disco: Get ready for a night of fun at our Halloween Disco in the school hall this Thursday, October 30th! Entry is \$5 and includes chips and a glow stick (please remember to BYO water bottles). The Years 1–4 disco is from 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm and Years 5–8 disco is from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. A big thank you to Megan Ryder and the PTA for organising this event.
- Clyde Classic Race is this Saturday, November 1st. Pre-registration is at The Post Office Cafe this Friday, October 31st, from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm and registration opens at 6:30am on Saturday morning. The event begins with the Half Marathon at 8am, 10km at 8:15am, 5km at 8:30am and the kids race at 10:30 am. Even if you're not running or volunteering, I encourage all whānau to come out and cheer on the participants!
- Dunstan High School Taster Day: On Monday, November 10th, all our Year 8 learners will have a Taster Day at Dunstan High School, where they will explore the school environment and meet the staff.

I hope you and your whānau have a great week!

Ngā mihi

Steph Kitto

**He taonga te mokopuna, kia whāngaia, kia tipu, kia rea.
A child is a treasure, to be nurtured, to grow, to flourish.**

CARE AWARDS: (Connected, Ambitious, Respectful, Engaged)

The following children received CARE awards at assembly last Friday:

Tui:	Baxter White (E) Jack Velenski (A)
Kea:	Hunter Hartman (A), Henry McIntyre (A), Axel Snyman (C)
Pukeko:	Tahlia Clark (E), Freya Hatfield (E), Zaria Annan (E), Nina Chisholm (E), Ari Pirie (E), Kaia Pont (E), George Atkinson (E), Tomas Dutra (E), Jameson Kidd (E), William McEnteer (E), Fletcher Spence (E), Jameson Strain (E), Xavier van Lierop (E), Zani Hammer (E)
Karearea:	Levi Rabbette (E), Madeleine Spence (E)
Kiwi:	Olivia Cooke (R), Martha Anderson (R), Sophie Crane (R), Violet McEnteer (R)
Korimako:	Milagros Dutra (C), Baxter Blakie (C), Maddie Petersen-Young (E), Willow Pont (A), Charlotte Spence (C), Sasha Thomas (A), Zara Wing (C),

Marco Robb (A), Chloe Beimond (A), Rylee Brabant (E), Luca Hale (C)

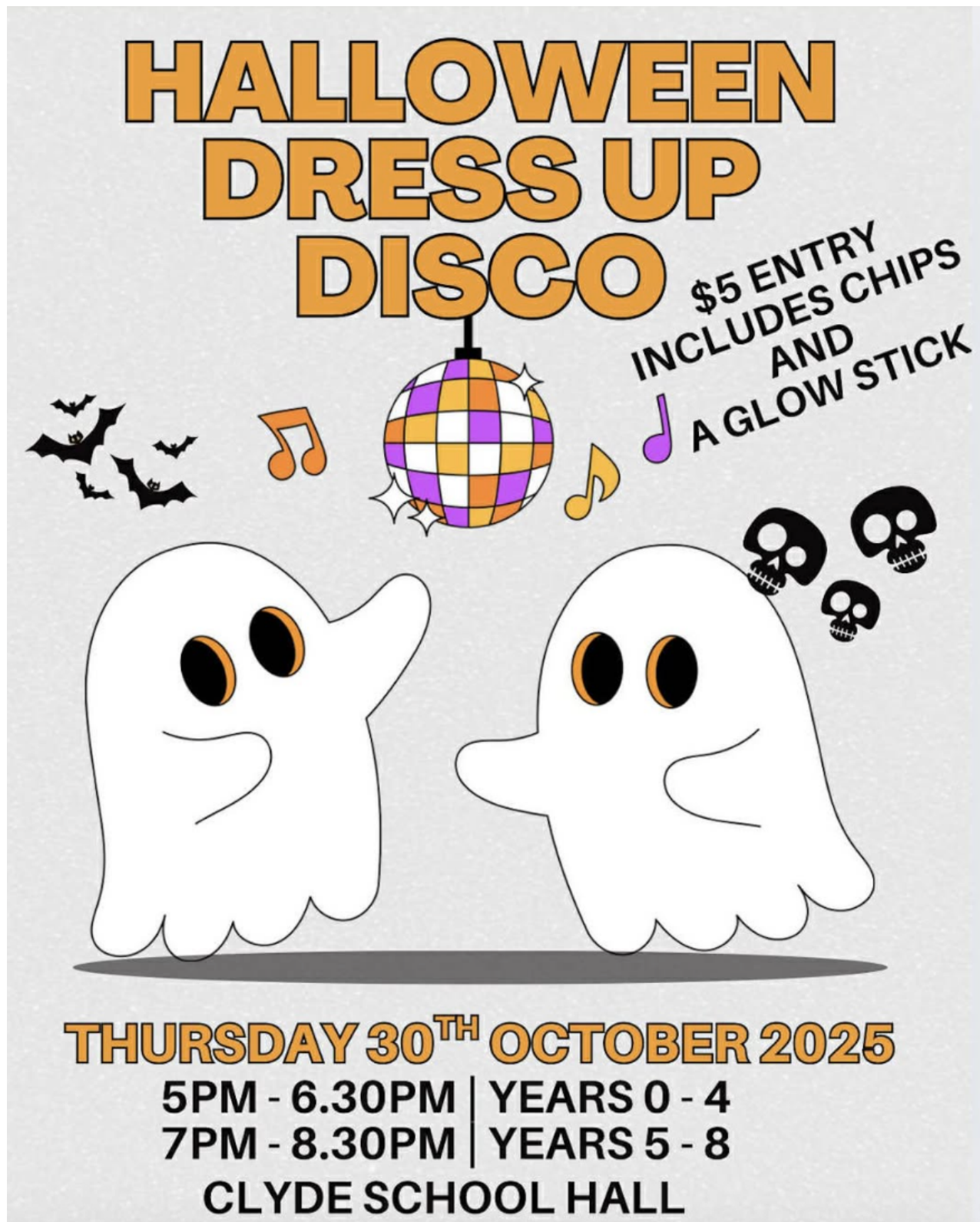
Ruru: Lily Love (C), Lottie Cameron (C) Niley Paulin (C), Maia Randall (C)

Welcome to Clyde School: Oscar Nakauyaca

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thurs 30th Oct	School Disco - Yr 1-4 = 5.00 - 6.30pm, Yr 5-8 = 7.00 - 8.30pm
Sat 1st Nov	Clyde Classic Event
Thurs 6th Nov	DZ Triathlon - Cromwell
Fri 7th Nov	Assembly 2.20pm
Mon 10th Nov	Y8 Taster Day - DHS
Mon 10th - Fri 14th Nov	Book Fair Week
Fri 14th Nov	Kahui Ako Maths Competition - Y4-Y6
Fri 21st Nov	Assembly 2.20pm
Mon 1st Dec	Enviroschools Hui - Alexandra Primary School 9.30 - 2.30
Wed 3rd Dec	Spirit of Clyde Award Ceremony and Community thank you 1-3pm
Sat 6th December	PTA Christmas Markets 3pm-6pm
Tues 9th Dec	Pantomime matinee 1pm
Wen 10th Dec	Pantomime 7pm
Thurs 11th Dec	Pantomime 7pm
Mon 15th Dec	Y8 - Special Day Out & Graduation
Tues 16th Dec	Last day Term 4

SCHOOL HAPPENINGS:



Softball Subs:

A reminder that softball subs of \$20 per player are due to be paid either directly into the school account or to the school office.

Golf Tournament Entry Fee:

There was a \$5 entry fee to the recent Y7 / Y8 golf tournament at the Dunstan Golf Club. This fee too can be paid either directly into the school account or to the school office.

JR McKenzie Youth Education Fund:

An application form for assistance for the purchase of school uniforms for **Year 9 students** is available from the school office. The closing date for applications is Friday 5th December. Please collect an application form from Chrissy.

PTA NEWS:



CLYDE *Christmas* MARKETS

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER
3PM – 6PM

VENDOR EMAILS HAVE GONE OUT!!
IF YOU WERE INTERESTED IN HAVING
A STALL AND DIDNT RECEIVE THE
EMAIL PLEASE SEND US A MESSAGE
WITH YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS AND WE
WILL GET IT SENT OUT TO YOU!

PUBLIC NOTICES:



Have a Teen starting Year 9 next year?

From Year 9 onwards, your Teen will see a participating Dental Provider for their dental care in most areas.

This remains FREE until they turn 18 even if they have left school



At your teens last checkup in Year 8, please ask us for a list of participating Dental Providers in your area.
For further information please contact us

0800 672 543

community.oralhealth@southerndhb.govt.nz

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No-sugar Fizzy Drinks

These diet drinks... may be SUGAR-FREE... but they're NOT ACID-FREE!





Did you know?

Sugar-free fizzy drinks still have acids in them. These acids can wear away our tooth enamel. The more often we have acid on our teeth, the higher our risk is for tooth decay. Choose plain water or plain milk for your everyday drinks!

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Athletics Otago:

In collaboration with Athletics New Zealand, is excited to offer a valuable opportunity for coaches, teachers, and volunteers to upskill through our Coaching Athletic Development (CAD) Courses.

Dates: Friday, 31 October | 4:00–6:30pm – *Shot Put & Discus*
Saturday, 1 November | 1:00–5:00pm – *Long Jump, High Jump, Sprints & Hurdles*

Location: Cromwell College Fields, Barry Ave, Cromwell

Register here: <https://regoform.mygameday.app/#/event/registration-form/cadlevel1cromwell/>

This course is ideal for club coaches, volunteers, teachers, and parents who want to build confidence and capability in supporting athletes across a range of events.

What's covered:

- Shot Put, Discus, Sprints, Hurdles, High Jump & Long Jump

No prior experience is required—just a positive attitude and a willingness to learn! Participants will be asked to complete a short online safeguarding course and register as a community coach/volunteer - these can be done in individuals own time.

1. *Safeguarding:* [Learning / Athletics NZ](#)
2. *Community coach signs up:* [Coaching, Officials, Volunteers / Athletics New Zealand](#)



CAD level 1

COACHING COURSE

Date Friday 31st October 4pm - 6.30pm (SP/DT)
Saturday 1st November 1pm to 5pm (HJ/LJ; Sprints/Hurdles)

Venue Cromwell Athletics Club, Cromwell College Fields, Barry Street, Cromwell

ATHLETICS
NEW ZEALAND



A night out, with
Gemma McCaw



Join us for an evening with
**three-time Olympian, former Black Sticks
hockey star, and leading wellness advocate,
Gemma McCaw.**

With a degree in Sport and Exercise Science and a Diploma in Positive Psychology and Wellbeing, Gemma is passionate about helping people achieve their health, fitness and wellbeing goals and reach their potential in all areas of life.

Come along and enjoy the chance to hear Gemma's inspiring journey and insights, about her hockey career and successful business followed by a Q&A session.

FRIDAY 7th November, 5.30pm

WHERE? Peter Lyon Shearing Cookshop
Hillview Road (off Dunstan Road), Alexandra

TICKETS: \$80 per person

Doors open at 5.30pm with complimentary drink and nibbles on arrival, followed by 3 courses of shared platters.

Spaces are limited so get in quick!

Get your tickets online now (scan the code below),
pop into Paper Plus Alexandra, or email
mti.sportsturf@gmail.com



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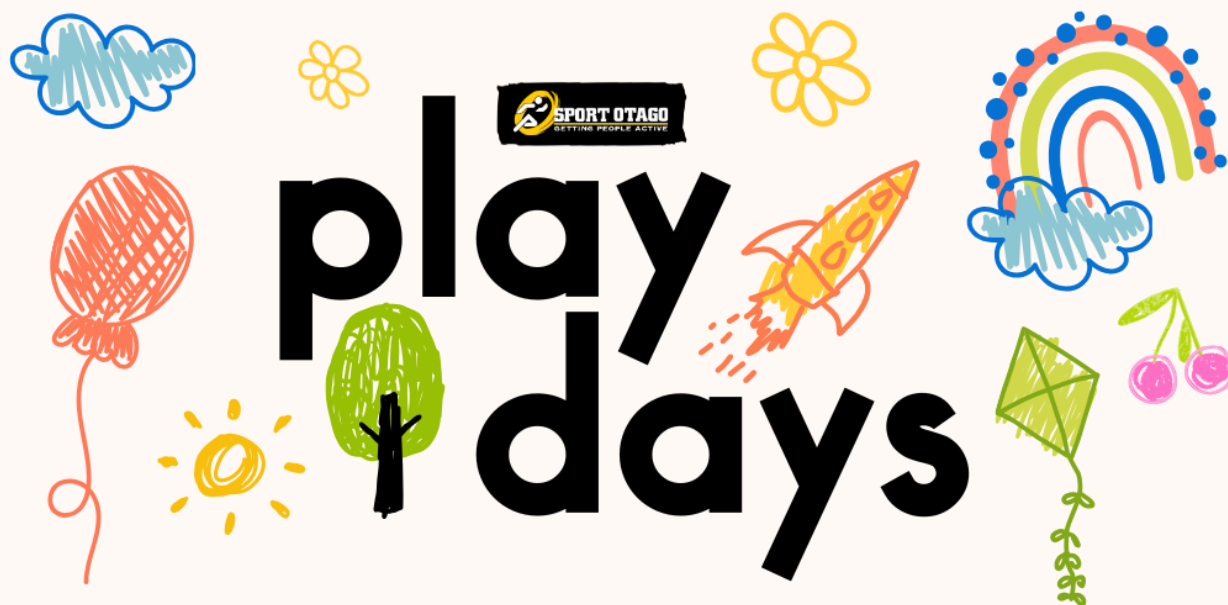


**SCAN NOW
TO PURCHASE
YOUR TICKETS
ONLINE**

Molyneux Turf Incorporated (MTI) is driving the Molyneux Multipurpose Turf Project, a community-driven initiative supported by the Council and partnered with Dunstan High School, which aims to provide an exciting new (and much needed) facility for various sports and community groups in Alexandra.

LET'S BUILD THIS TURF TOGETHER!

All money raised will go directly towards project building costs. Thank you for your support.
www.mtisportsturf.co.nz



ALEXANDRA PIONEER PARK

Friday, Oct 31
3.30-5.30pm

MUSIC • GAMES • STORIES • NATURE • FOOD

Bring the whole whānau to one of our Play Days in Central Otago for some **games, music, food, stories** and **nature activities**. Enjoy the Sport Central Tākaro Play Trailer, inflatables and gagaball, explore the interactive story walk with Central Otago Libraries, and discover the outdoors with Central Otago REAP nature connectors. There will also be a sausage sizzle – and ice cream from Mr. Whippy!



AOTEAROA
PLAYWEEK TĀKARO MAI!
20 – 26 OCTOBER 2025



