

8th August 2025

Kia ora whānau

We have been incredibly lucky with the weather lately and this has enabled us to fit in regular cross country training. Tuesday was a perfect day to run our cross country and we had many keen young runners running in the competitive event. This was closely followed by a very enjoyable "Colour Fun Run". It was great to see everyone participating with such enthusiasm on such a beautiful afternoon.

School Cross Country Results

The following people have been selected to go to the South Otago Cross Country event on Wednesday 13th August (next Wednesday)

Year 8 : Ajay Brookland, Layton Kenealy and Chloe Bloxham

Year 7: James McLeod, Robbie Lane and Brydon Begg

Year 6 : Amelia O'Boyle

Year 5 : Ryan McLeod, Kaiden Wilson, Fred Sutton and Kyla Sutton

Year 4: McKenzie Brookland and Archie Morrison

Year 3: Jakob Thompson, Jameison Dawson and Pippa McLeod

We will be leaving school about 11:50am. Thankyou to the whānau who are transporting their children.

Year 3-6 Football Tournament

Tuesday 19th August (Balclutha Showgrounds)

Notices were sent home this week with information for this event. Students will be travelling by bus and this is paid for by the Board of Trustees. We will issue sports tops on the Monday before the tournament. A huge thank you to the parents who have put up their hands to assist with managing teams. We now have enough to cover all 6 teams.



Production

Students are well underway with preparation for the upcoming Production. Further details about tickets to come. We will have

Year 8 Tour of SOHS

Today while the senior students are at Technology, the Year 8's will be given a guided tour of the High School since they missed out on the opportunity to attend the Open Night due to camp.

Teacher Only Day Monday 11th August Reminder that this is a long weekend with our teaching staff all attending a Teacher Only Day Ministry of Education Workshop on Monday

Board of Trustees

We had 5 nominations to fill the 5 positions on the Board of Trustees so no election is needed. We have a roll-over of all current Trustees: Brendan Morrison, Kirsty Nicol, Jasmine De Geest, Peter Falconer and Gavin Sutton so it will be business as usual.

BOT Meeting: Tuesday 12th August - School Staffroom

Touch

Erin has sent out notices this week about the upcoming Touch Rugby which begins in Week 9 this term. Please return the form if you wish your child to take part. We will need sufficient managers and coaches for each team so please do not pay any subs until teams are confirmed.

We have daffodils available at the office for a donation given to the Cancer Society, also a raffle with some good prizes.



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	11 MOE TO Day	12 BOT 7pm	13 SO Cross Country	14 Sports Activ.	15 Assembly
6	18	19 Football Tournament Years 3-6	20	21	22 Tech
7	25	26	27	28 Top Team Assembly 2pm	29 NZEI Union Meeting in the afternoon
8 SEPT	1	2 School Photos	3	4 Sports Activ.	5Tech
9	8	9	10 Production 1:00 Matinee 7pm Evening show	11 Production 7pm Evening Show	12 Assembly
10	15 BOT 7pm	16	17	18 PCT Challenge	19 Tech



South Otago Junior Cricket is excited to offer a free, fun cricket programme for tamariki aged 5–12 across the Clutha District this Term 4!

Sessions will focus on games, movement, and enjoyment – with no laps, no lines, and no lectures!

- For Year 1–4 tamariki, activities are based on NZ Cricket's Smash Play resource and tailored to suit age and ability.
- For Year 5–8, the focus will shift slightly to a couple of key skills and more time playing the game of cricket.

Venues & Days (times will be dependent on numbers):

- Clutha Valley / Lawrence Venue to be confirmed and may alternate depending on registrations
- Milton Tuesday afternoons
- Balclutha Wednesday afternoons

The programme will run for 8 weeks from Monday 6 October to the final week of November.

Please contact Mrs Payne if you are interested in your child taking part as she can do the registrations.

Registrations close on the 31st August.



Thank you to the Kaitangata Community Group

for purchasing new mats for the Tui and Kakapo rooms.

Arrived today. What a great surprise.

The children love them.