



Ready, Willing, Able

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9th August 2019

Dear parents and caregivers

As we move towards the school's big project for the term - Aladdin's Trouble, it is wonderful to see so many students stepping up and putting in so much effort into their part of the production. With 65 speaking parts and a choir of 41 it is certainly a major undertaking. The massive number of hours that both Mrs Coulter and Mrs Smith are spending at present really is a tribute to the passion that they have for the production. The creation of props and costumes has now begun which will bring in many other students and teachers which makes the production a truly 'school-wide' event.

I must pass on a massive thankyou to both Malcom Coles and Shannon Goddard who have put in a large effort into the edging of the Sensory Garden. This has now allowed Mrs Benson to co-ordinate the next step of this garden with the movement of some soil and the creation of the Minions and the tyre wall. These all will be ready for planting when the weather becomes warmer. Both Shannon and Malcolm have also now just built a set of steps down to where the children board the buses. This will alleviate any issues when it rains and the path becomes muddy and slippery.

We often have families who take time out over the term for family breaks and this year there seems to be a larger number of families choosing this option. As a school we can not prevent this from happening, but as a family please think carefully when you do take this time. The timing really can affect the way that your child settles back into classroom routines and the amount of work that is missed by them. I fully acknowledge that there are many exceptional educational outcomes and often far wider positive experiences for the break, and these outcomes need to be thought through by each family.

Thanks
Matthew



*Happy &
Healthy
Environmentally
Aware
Aspire
Respectful
Tenacity*

Be ready,
willing and able
to have HEART,
to be proud of
who we are and
what we do -
today and
tomorrow.

COMING UP

Ski/Skate Trip—Monday 12th August
PRODUCTION—Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th September

TERM 3 CALENDAR

12th August	Ski/Skate Day
13th August	BOT Meeting @ 7pm
14th August	Home & School Meeting @ 7pm
24th August	Home & School Casino Evening
25th/26th September	Production
27th September	Loud Shirt Day

“Feelings are just visitors,
let them come and go.”

- Mooji.

SKJ/SKATE DAY—MONDAY 12TH AUGUST

Just a few last minute reminders in regards to Barton's Ski/Skate Day.

If we need to cancel the skiing for the day we will put a Facebook message on the Barton Page at around 6:15am. If you would like to alter your plans and go skating, Tekapo Springs will be able to accommodate us but it will be very busy. If this does happen skiers will need to pay at Tekapo Springs and we will refund the ski payment ASAP.

We are looking forward to a great day on the snow and ice, please ensure that you have spoken with your child regarding the following. We have discussed this at school so please follow-up with your child:

- What clothing they will wear to the field, on the field and home - all named if possible
- Food, snacks and drinks that they have in their bags
- If they are skiing protective eyewear - goggles or sunglasses

We have had a massive take up on offers for transport and with that please ensure that you meet with Mrs. Coupland when you arrive at the ski field. With about 125 children and adults on the snow and most having to get their ski gear please ensure that you leave plenty of time for this to happen - most people are leaving around 7:00am /7:15am for skiing. Lessons are compulsory for all students and ski lessons begin at 10:00 with level 1 skiers/snowboarders being first.

Tekapo Springs does not open until 10:00am Please see Mr. Gollins when you arrive at the Park.

Lastly please enjoy your day and if you have any queries please do not hesitate to ask any of the teachers who are there.



Aoraki Maths Competition

Congratulations to our Year 7 team of Lily, Thomas, Jayda and Dylan and our Year 8 team of Mac, Emily, Neave and Celeste who competed against all other schools in South and Mid Canterbury. Although they didn't get a placing in the competition they certainly did well and answered many very difficult questions and represented Barton with distinction.

BARTON RURAL HOME AND SCHOOL

Our casino evening is fast approaching on the 24th of August!

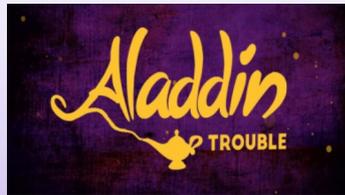
As part of the casino evening we have decided to have some auctions and raffles. If you are in a position to donate any prizes for these events we would be so grateful. Please contact us at homeandschool@bartonrural.school.nz or you can drop items off at the school office. If you are thinking of attending the casino, tickets are available from the office or contact us via email. We appreciate your support!

A big shout out to Cath Cooney for looking after "Helping Hands" Thank you Cath, you do a great job. Helping hands is a initiative where Barton families that are in need of some extra care, can have some meals delivered. This is a way that we as a community can look after people that may have had a baby or perhaps some health issues or maybe the loss of a loved one.

You can help by making meals or baking when required. If you have someone in mind please communicate with the teachers and they will pass that on to Cath.

Thank you very much to all the generous parents that have helped in the past.

PRODUCTION UPDATE



Rehearsals are well under way and our 2019 production is beginning to take shape. Mrs Smith and Mrs Coulter met with Sam Thomas our 'Wardrobe Mistress' last week and she has some impressive initial sketches for costumes. Sam has recently been to the United Kingdom visiting family and she purchased some fabrics there that will be used for our costuming – how lucky are we!

Please if you have any bright coloured satin, even if made into a garment that we could cut up and use, we would be grateful for it. We also need -

- Braid
- Costume jewellery
- Large cushions
- Coat hangers
- Clothing rails

Tickets will be available soon. Performance dates are Wednesday 25th (2 shows) and Thursday 26th September – **mark it in your diaries!**

Room 5 Emotion Poems

Curious

If curious were a colour, it would be green,
As green as the grass on a warm summer's day.

If curious were a taste,
it would be like tangy orange fizzy on your tongue.

If curious were a feeling,
it would be as exciting as when an explorer took his
first step on a new island.

If curious were a smell,
it would be the fragrance coming off the pine
trees on a breezy day.

If curious were a sound,
it would be a sound of my brain ticking over
thoughts.

By Lily

Happy

If happy were a colour,
It would be yellow
As yellow as the glistening sun.

If happy were a taste,
It would be just like dairy milk chocolate sliding down
my throat.

If happy were a feeling,
It would feel as squishy as a soft marshmallow.

If happy were a smell,
It would smell as rich as chocolate mud cake.

If happy were a sound,
It would be as quiet as piano music.

By Baxter



Ecstatic

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If ecstatic were a colour,
it would be sunshine yellow.

As yellow as the sun on a summer's day.

If ecstatic was a taste,

It would be a sweet juicy pineapple tickling my taste buds.

If ecstatic was a feeling,

It would be warm fuzzies surrounding me on a new born day.

If ecstatic was a smell,

It would be fresh alpine air drifting along the glistening blue lake.

If ecstatic was a sound,

It would be cheerful kids playing in a fresh mown paddock

By Sienna

Emotion Poem

Happy

If happy were a colour,
It would be yellow.
As yellow as a bright sunny morning making you smile.

If happy were a taste,
It would be a delicious piece of honey toast dissolving on your
tongue.

If happy were a feeling,
It would be like you became the king of the universe.

If happy were a smell,
It would be the perfume of a bright yellow sunflower,
reading you a relaxing bedtime story.

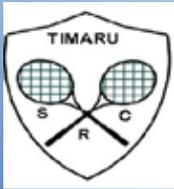
If happy were a sound,
It would be a delightful laughter echoing in the distance.

By Ned



Timaru Rock and Roll Club

The Timaru Rock and Roll section of the Timaru Town and Country club will be having junior lessons at 6.30pm on 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th of September. This is open to all interested students under 18 years old. This is held on a licenced premises, so parental supervision is required. Fees are \$5 per student per lesson. Suitable shoes required ie sneakers/flat shoes. Location is the Town and Country club, Douglas St, Timaru.



Squash Club Junior Coaching - Term 3

The Timaru Squash Club (Brunswick Street) is offering a 'Small Nix' Programme, for Years

3, 4 & 5 students on Mondays during Term 3 from 3.30pm - 4.15pm.

This programme develops squash skills through fun fundamental movements activities and improves speed and agility for primary ages children.




FREE!
Beginners Tennis Coaching Sessions

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BRING A RACQUET

1st - 22nd September
Starting
Sunday 1st September from 9:30am
(45 Minute sessions)

4 weeks of fully subsidised coaching sessions for beginner players.
At the Trust Aoraki Tennis Centre

REGISTER ONLINE NOW!

Session times are dependent on the number of participants.
Pre-registrations are essential!
Please register by Wednesday 28th August
Online registrations only

www.tennisouthcanterbury.co.nz



Casino

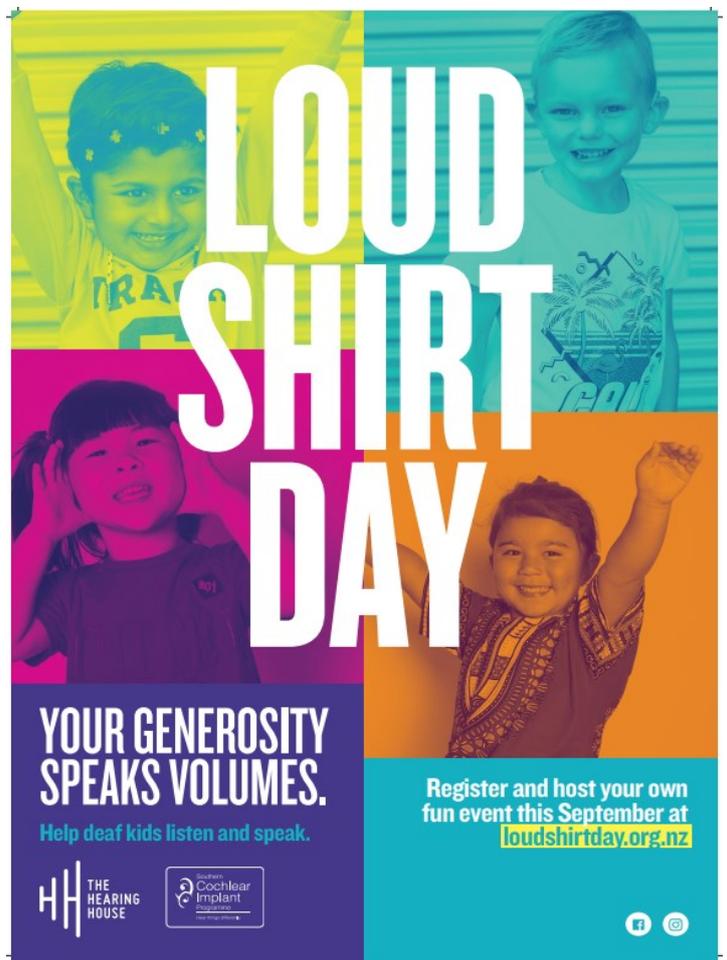
A NIGHT AT THE RACES

Sat 24th August 7pm
BARTON RURAL SCHOOL HALL

Come dressed fancy, or as a jockey or even a horse! prizes for best dressed

**SUPPER PROVIDED
*** BYO ALCOHOL *****

Raffles and auction



LOUD SHIRT DAY

YOUR GENEROSITY SPEAKS VOLUMES.
Help deaf kids listen and speak.

Register and host your own fun event this September at loudshirtday.org.nz

THE HEARING HOUSE
Cochlear Implant