

Class of the Week

Room 7

with Ms Hunt



The members of Room 7 are a talented bunch with a lot to be proud about. Our classroom community consists of 32 creative and enthusiastic learners. We are very passionate about sports and the arts. We really enjoy sharing our talents and strengths with others. Most importantly, we love learning! We can't wait to host next week's assembly. See you there!

■ GSNS Achievement Awards - Week 2

Congratulations go to the following pupils who will receive a School Achievement Award at our next whole school Assembly in the hall on Friday 4 August beginning at 2.00pm:

Alexander (K1)	Vivian (K1)	Eliza (K2)	Layla (K2)
Poppy (R3)	Timo (R4)	Samantha (R4)	Genjin (R5)
Patrick (R5)	Thanuja (R6)	Jah-Tayzia (R6)	Charlie (R7)
Thomas (R7)	Solal (R8)	Lucas (R8)	Luka (R13)
Luca (R9)	Amazon (R10)	Seb (R10)	Liliana (R11)
Kezia (R11)	Raabia (R12)	Brody (R12)	Adam (R16)
Ben (R16)	Madison (R17)	Phoenix (R18)	Liam (R18)
Joel (M1A)	James (M1A)	Jasper (M1B)	Toby (M1B)
Charlie (M2A)	Lincoln (M2B)		

Diary Dates @ George Street Normal

Fri 28 Jul	GSNS International Day
Mon 31 Jul	GSNS Cross Country 10.30am-12.10pm, North Ground
	PTA AGM 7.00pm, Staffroom
Tue 1 Aug	English ICAS exam 9.00am
Wed 2 Aug	Year 6 visit to Balmacewen Intermediate
Fri 4 Aug	Year 6 visit to Dunedin North Intermediate
	Whole School Assembly at 2.00pm, School Hall, Room 7 hosting
Mon 7 Aug	Fair meeting 7.30pm, Staffroom
Sat 16 Sep	GSNS Fair



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■ Visitors from Japan at George Street Normal

This week we had the annual visit of children and teachers from our sister school in Gifu, Japan which is now in it's 15th year. Twenty-five students and four teachers from Shotoku Gakuen Elementary School were welcomed at a special assembly on Tuesday where each of the visitors introduced themselves. We were especially pleased to welcome Assistant Principal, Mr Miyabe, who last visited our school in 2007 and since then has been so kind and helpful to the groups of teachers and children from George Street Normal who have visited Japan. At the assembly Mr Miyabe delighted us by singing our respect song in Japanese.

One of the highlights for the children was a visit to host families for tea last night. Thank you to the parents who made this possible. Other activities involving children from both schools included an international quiz, art activities, a trip to the Art Gallery, Botanic Garden and Toitū, class presentations, as well as participating in tomorrow's International Day. For our International Day, all children are invited to dress up in national costume and/or bring an item of cultural interest to share with their class. The children from Gifu leave our school tomorrow having made many new friends and enriched our international understanding and respect.

Thanks to Ms Spencer, Mr Ford, Mrs Stanton and the parents and children in M1A and M2A who have generously hosted our friends from Japan. More information about our Sister School relationship can be found on our website www.georgestreet.school.nz/International/Sister-Schools.

Kind regards
Rod Galloway (Principal)
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■ Welcome

Welcome to Elyanah, Chester, Rongomai, Malachi (Kindle 1), Daniel, Zaydan, Titan (Kindle 2) and Mila (M2B) who began school for the first time recently. We also welcome Alex (R22), Luke (R4), Ayla, Mianzhi, Alice (R5), Nese (R6), Yascha (R12), Gibbston, Sahil (R13), Justine (R17), Roro (M1A) and Zoe (M1B). Our current roll is 487.

George Street Normal School

International Day

Friday 28 July



Dress up in your national costume
Bring a toy from your culture
Share some language from your culture



GSNS Value of the Term — Consideration

Ngakau Maharatanga

Be kind, thoughtful, and consider the interests of others before yourself.



A Parent's Guide to GSNS #12



George Street Normal School Cross Country

Our School Cross Country will be held next week, on **Monday 31 July** (postponement date Thursday 3 August). All races will take place at North Grounds (Alhambra Union rugby grounds, situated between Great King Street and Cumberland Street, North Dunedin).

Children will need to wear warm clothing, layers of which can be taken off before running and put back on after the race. They will also need to bring a named drink bottle, and inhaler if required. Parents and caregivers are welcome to watch the races, however please stand **behind** our children so that everyone can see.

Race times are as follows:

10.30am Year 3 Girls	10.40am Year 3 Boys
10.50am Year 4 Girls	11.00am Year 4 Boys
11.10am Year 1 Girls	11.15am Year 1 Boys
11.20am Year 2 Girls	11.25am Year 2 Boys
11.30am Year 5 Girls	11.40am Year 5 Boys
11.50am Year 6 Girls	12.00pm Year 6 Boys
12.10pm Return to school	

In preparation for the Cross Country, parents can help by:

- encouraging your child to run and exercise regularly
- on the day, giving your child a larger than usual breakfast and something 'extra' in their lunch box
- checking that your child has a named drink bottle
- naming all clothing and making sure layers are easy to put on and take off
- checking that your child has clothing and footwear suitable for running
- supplying a spare pair of shoes to put on in the afternoon.

Seven weeks until our school fair on Saturday 16 September!

Please ...



- Add your name to the list of fair helpers in the school office foyer
- Bring in your items for the stalls (clothing, books, toys, elegant treasure, white elephant items) - put items in the former dental clinic or Learning Hub
- 'Like' our George Street Normal School Fair 2017 Facebook page
- Come to our next Fair meeting on Monday 7 August at 7.30pm.

Fair

2017

16 September

We are asking that **every** family help in some way. If you are not sure how you can help, please contact Anne Robertson (anne@georgestreet.school.nz) or Caroline Orchiston (caroline.orchiston@otago.ac.nz).