

Classes of the Week

Kindle 1, Kindle 2, Room 3
with Mrs France, Mrs Dakers, Mrs Chhin



We would love you to come along to our assembly on Friday 9 November.

In Kindle 1, Kindle 2 and Room 3 we like to ... play sport, draw, make things, read books, make beaks and feathers, use i-Pads, use the mini tramp and slide, share things, be a good friend, do maths activities, go to the library, write, draw pictures, use our strengths, eat lunch, play, listen to stories, play with balls, have discovery time.

We also like to sing, dance and dress up. We can't wait to have our turn on the stage at assembly. Don't be a chicken, see you there.

■ GSNS Achievement Awards - Week 4

Congratulations go to the following pupils who will receive a School Achievement Award at our next whole school Assembly in the hall on Friday 9 November, beginning at 2.00pm:

Vicky (K1)	Iggy (K1)	Harry (K2)	Emersyn (R22)
John (R22)	Meila (R3)	Ethan (R3)	Patrick (R4)
Elyanah (R4)	Luke (R5)	Ayden (R5)	Kendyl (R19)
Molly (R19)	Alden (R6)	Safira (R6)	Ryan (R7)
Kaitlyn (R7)	Tristan (R8)	Adrian (R8)	Violet (R12)
Judah (R12)	Tynan (R13)	Noelia (R13)	Sophie (R9)
Amelia (R9)	Anika (R10)	Archie (R10)	Hideaki (R11)
Todd (R11)	Ziggy (R16)	Meghna (R17)	Lillie (R17)
Leo (R18)	EJ (M1A)	Tom (M1A)	Nyxie (M1B)
Bodie (M1B)	Wyatt (M2A)	Telea (M2B)	

Diary Dates @ George Street Normal

Fri 2 Nov	GSNS PTA School Disco
Tue 6 Nov	North Zone Athletics (postponement date 8 Nov)
Fri 9 Nov	Whole School Assembly 2.00pm, School Hall with K1, K2, R3 presenting
Tue 13 Nov	Beginning School information evening 7.30pm, Te Puna Ako - All parents of children who have recently started (or about to start) school are welcome



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■ A team effort

Our second round of school photos was taken today. It was a busy timetable with over 60 sports teams, clubs and cultural groups, as well as our athletics and cross-country representative teams and our junior classes smiling for the camera (photos will be available to view and purchase next week). It was great to see parents standing with these groups in their roles as managers or coaches, and served as a reminder that many people provide our children with a wealth of opportunities. Thanks to the parents and teachers who have:

- helped with getting information to teams as a manager;
- coached a sports team in a lunch hour or after school;
- attended events and helped with transport;
- taken a before school/lunchtime club. This year we have been able to offer choirs, jump jam, French and Spanish, scooter, enviro kids, future problem-solvers, chess, guitar, ukulele, trumpet, keyboard, drums, jazz band, edible gardens, philosophy, programming, construction and science.

Providing these opportunities is truly a team effort and we are already looking ahead to 2019. There are many benefits for parents when they become involved in sports and clubs at school. We offer the fun and satisfaction of helping children develop new skills, the opportunity for sharing an activity with your child and supporting them as they learn with others and, of course, actively supporting your school community!

Please think about joining our team of supporters in 2019. With more help, we can offer more opportunities. If you would like any information about any of the teams or clubs, please ask at the school office or talk with a class teacher.

Kind regards

Rod Galloway (Principal), rod@georgestreet.school.nz

■ Safety reminders

Once again, parents are reminded about the need to be vigilant in getting children to and from school safely. We ask that:

- children are given clear rules to follow regarding pick-up points and the route to and from school.
- parents carefully consider the advice that children who are too young to know how to deal with unwelcome approaches from strangers, are too young to be travelling to and from school without a parent or caregiver.
- by 3.25pm on each school day, all children are either on their way home using the plan made with parents, or in after school care, or in the school office if they need to clarify the plan.

As an additional safety measure, we are now locking the two gates regarded as the back entrances to our school. Please note, the Duke Street gate and the Great King Street gate will be locked during the school day but open for parents to use before and after school. Parents or children arriving during school hours (after 9.00am) should report to the school office.



GSNS Value of the Term — Duty (Mahi a Ngakau)

*Do the right thing without being told; do the right thing even when no-one is looking;
and do the right thing even when you are the only person doing that!*



A Parent's Guide to GSNS #19



At a recent meeting of our Board of Trustees, the following class structure for the start of 2019 was confirmed:

Junior Team	2 Year 0-1 New Entrant Kindle classes
	3 Year 1-2 classes
Middle Team	3 Year 2-3 classes
	3 Year 3-4 classes
Senior Team	5 Year 5-6 classes
Models Team	2 Year 1-3 classes
	2 Year 4-6 classes

Children's placement in these classes will be confirmed on the End of Year Learning Summary that will arrive home on Friday 7 December.

■ Welcome

Welcome to Shaheer, Lamar, Samy and Casper (Kindle 1) who began school for the first time recently. Our current roll is 520.

■ Upcoming Teachers' and Principals' strike

Further strike action will be taken by teachers and principals on **Thursday 15 November**. The Board of Trustees has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff during the strike, and unfortunately decided that we cannot provide the normal teaching services during this time. As a result, George Street Normal School will need to close for the day.

It is important that parents make alternative arrangements for the care of their child/children on the day of the strike.

■ School donations

Thank you to all parents/caregivers who have paid their school donation for 2018. If you haven't already done so and would like to, payments can be made to the school office or directly to our school bank account (BNZ 02 0912 0320963 001). Thank you!

■ Dunedin City Council proposal

After a review of speed limits on roads in Dunedin, the Dunedin City Council has proposed a variable 40km/h speed limit outside George Street Normal School, between the hours of 8.00am-9.30am and 2.00pm-4.00pm on school days only. Outside of these hours, the speed limit will revert to 50km/h. This proposal is recommended as part of a project to make school areas safer. Feedback from the school is being sought as part of the DCC's consultation process. If you would like to provide your own feedback as part of this process, copies of the proposal and submission form can be collected from the school office.

George Street Normal School PTA

DISCO

**Tomorrow
Friday 2 November
School Hall**

Admission \$3.00 payable at the door

Juniors (Y1-3) 6.00pm-7.00pm
Seniors (Y4-6) 7.15pm-8.15pm

GSNS pupils only please
Drinks, food and glow toys for sale
Coffee and cake for parents in the
staffroom