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**Beaconsfield Calendar**

**24 Sept - Term 3 Week 10**

***A Huge thank you to Ed and George for giving us some Pea Straw for our School Gardens.***




Kia Ora Everyone,

As we come to the end of another busy term, I would like to thank our children, staff, parents, whānau and wider community for everything you have contributed to Beaconsfield School. It has certainly been a full term, and I think everyone is ready for a well-earned break! I hope the holidays provide an opportunity for our children to slow down, recharge the batteries and enjoy some time away from the routines of school. Whether you are heading away, spending time on the farm, catching up with family and friends, or simply enjoying being at home, have a fantastic and safe holiday.

One reminder as we head into a new term is the importance of keeping communication open between home and school. If your child is experiencing a challenge at school, whether it involves learning, friendships, behaviour or something that has happened during the day, please make their classroom teacher your first point of contact. Children will naturally tell us about an event from their own perspective. That perspective is important and needs to be listened to, but there are often two sides to a story and sometimes other information that children may not have seen or understood. A quick conversation with the teacher can often provide the full picture and allow any concerns to be addressed early. Just as importantly, we encourage our children to talk to their teacher when something isn't right. We can only help with problems when we know about them. Learning to speak up, ask for help and work through challenges is an important part of growing up. When children, parents and teachers communicate openly, we can usually sort out the small things before they become big things.

While the children and staff are taking a break, things certainly won't be quiet around Beaconsfield. The holidays will see a significant amount of work happening around the school as we continue to improve our facilities. Our new library will start to take shape, providing a fantastic new space for reading, learning and bringing our school together. We are also looking forward to getting our staff kitchen repaired after the recent dishwasher flood. Another exciting improvement is the installation of a new heat pump for the school swimming pool. This will make a real difference to how effectively we can use the pool and hopefully extend the opportunities our children have to develop their swimming and water-safety skills. The pool should be up to a very pleasant 25 degrees by the time everyone is back at school! These projects represent a considerable investment in Beaconsfield School and, more importantly, in the opportunities we can provide for our children. It will be exciting to see the progress when everyone returns next term.

Thank you again for your support throughout the term. Enjoy the break, travel safely, spend some quality time together and hopefully find a little time to do absolutely nothing!

We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another great term at Beaconsfield.

**See you around school**

**Hamish.**

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Excellence Respect Initiative Creativity Perserverance

Well done to Alexis, Tessa, Lucas & Sophia (back), and Alby & Lucas (front) for displaying the Beaconsfield School Values of Creativity and Initiative.
Great effort!







Congratulations to Bailey, Toby & Olivia (back) and Hadley, Amara, Angus & Mia (front) for displaying all of the Beaconsfield School Values. Excellent Mahi everyone!

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This week in our school photo album... cricket, more mad scientists, beautiful bulb planting, AMAZING costumes for book-week-dress-up-day and...Clifford!









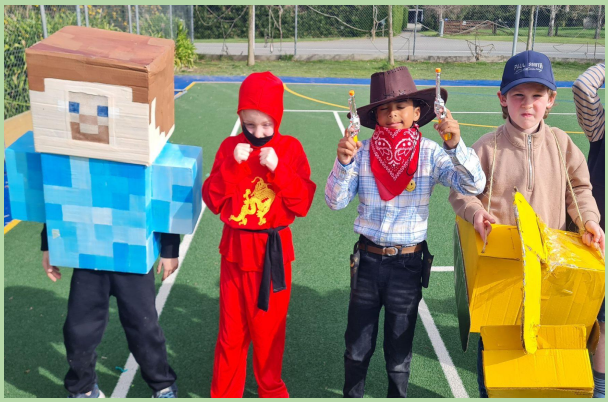




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Book Week Joke from Evelyn's favourite book… "Udderly Ridiculous Jokes"

**Q:"Why did the cow go to space?**
**A: She wanted to see the MOOn!"**





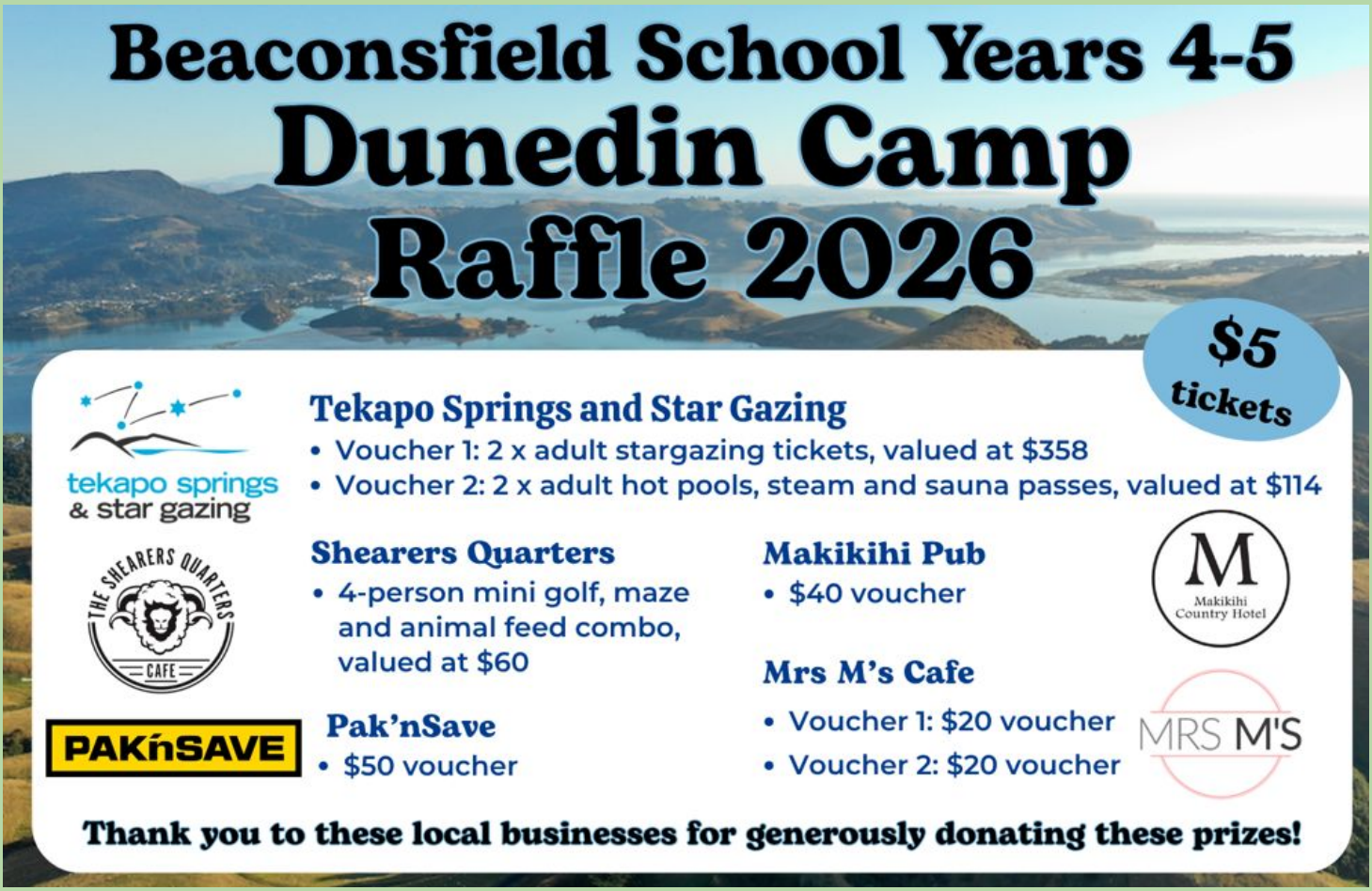







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**Year 4–5 Dunedin Camp Raffle**

A huge thank you to the local businesses who have generously donated prizes for our Year 4–5 Dunedin Camp raffle. Your support means that all money raised will go directly towards reducing camp costs for our students.

Raffle tickets are **$5 each**. To purchase a ticket, please get in touch with a Year 4–5 family.

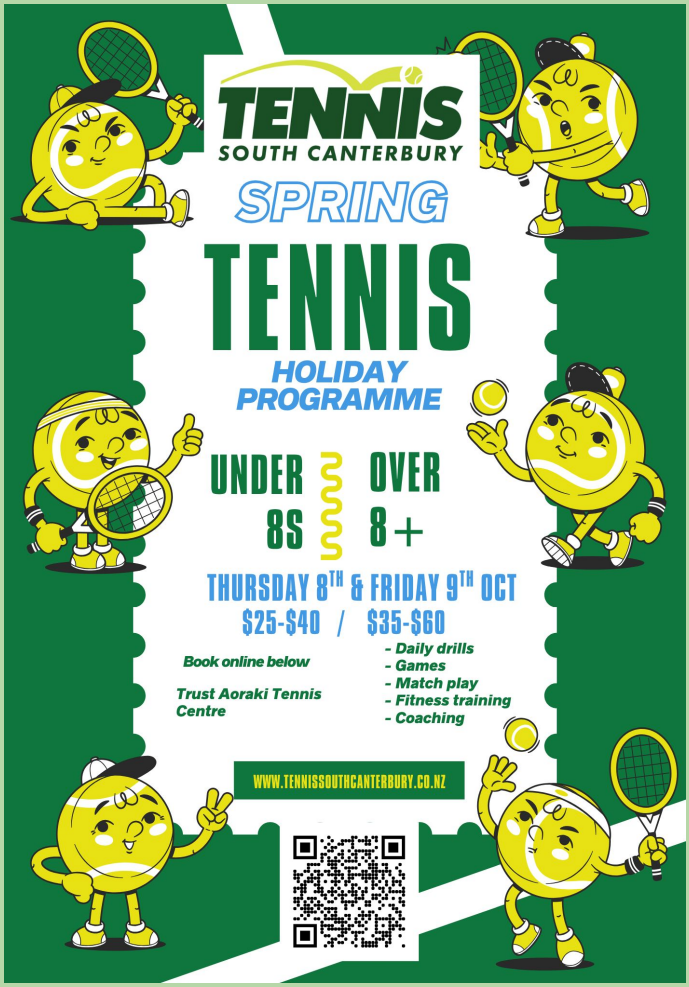
The raffle will be drawn on **Friday, 16 October 2026**.

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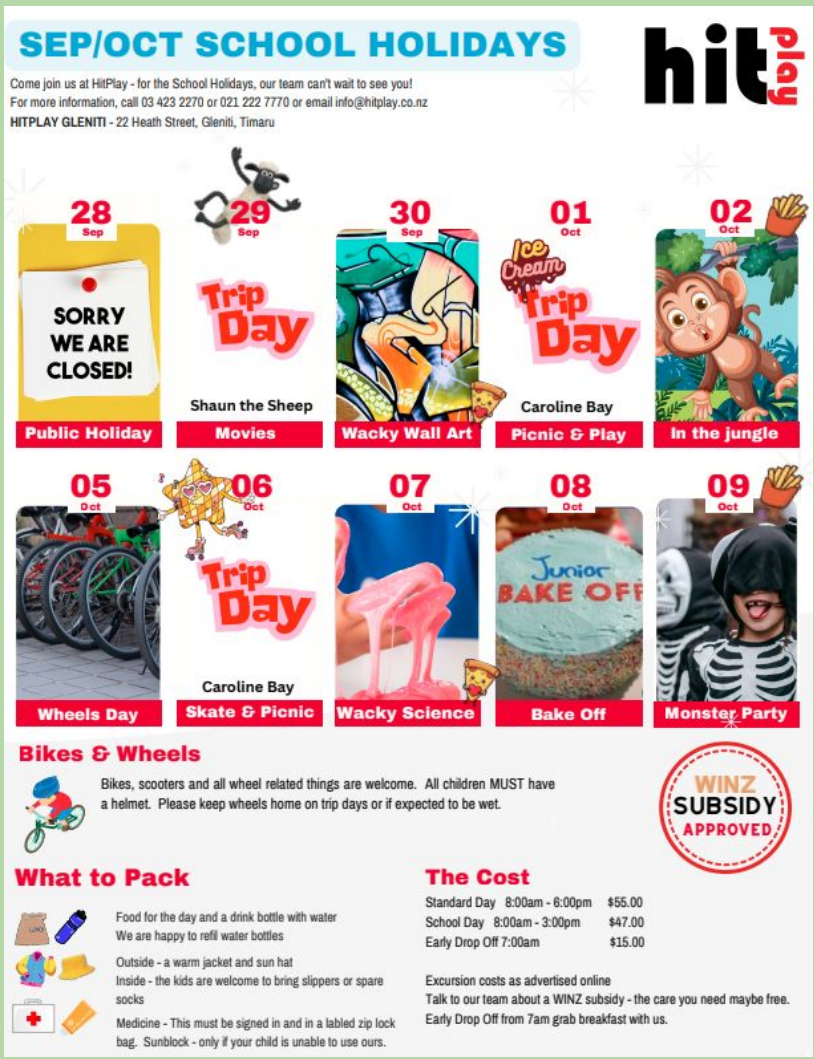



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**Esk Valley Kindergarten**

Discover Esk Valley Kindergarten!



Part of Waimate Kindergartens — where children come first.

Open Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

A warm, nature-filled environment where tamariki learn through play, creativity, and connection.

Our qualified Kaiako nurture curiosity, confidence, and a love of learning every day.

Limited spaces available — enrol now!

Contact us at 021 193 7023 to arrange a visit or find out more.

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