

20 Tapanui School Newsletter

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END OF YEAR PRIZEGIVING

Prizegiving Awards 2023

Huge congratulations to Sam who is the recipient of the Tapanui School Year 6 Cup 2023.

★ Sam has made a consistent positive contribution to Tapanui School throughout the time he's been here. He has been a friend to everyone, connected positively with people of all ages and worked hard in both academic, sporting and cultural fields. Well done Sam.



Year 6 Overall Leadership

Heidi Stuart
Hannah Stewart



Cultural Leadership

Natalia Halder
Mitchell Stiven

Performing Arts Excellence

Heidi Stuart
Sebastian Griffiths

Kapahaka Leadership

Kahurangi Takotohiwi
Bruce Eales

Sporting Excellence

Hannah Stewart
Sam Hartshorne



Citizenship Awards

Year 1 - Hugo Wagenaar
Year 2 - Tamzin Scott
Year 3 - Tilly McCall
Year 4 - Harper Smith
Year 5 - Mack Stuart
Year 6 - Emma Henton

Effort Awards

Year 1 - Bella Yandug
Year 2 - Luka Halder
Year 3 - Silas Holtham
Year 4 - Kate Hartshorne
Year 5 - Bella Jane
Year 6 - Cailyn Joyce



Achievement Awards

Year 4 - Koby Joyce
Year 5 - Isabel Yandug
Year 6 - Tom Millar



Well done to all the students at Tapanui School (even those who didn't get the awards this year). You have all done things you can be immensely proud of.

We wish our Year 6 students all the best as they embark on the next chapter of their learning journeys next year.

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Monday 18 Dec

As we haven't heard from anyone coming to school on Monday **buses will not be running.**

2024 DATES

Year 6 Leadership Day - Wed 31 Jan

Whole School Start - Thur 1 Feb

Waitangi Day Celebration - Mon 5 Feb

Waitangi Day - School closed -
Tues 6 Feb

Kia ora whānau!

Well, we got through the busy last couple of weeks with some really successful swimming lessons - thank you REAP. It has been a bit muddly but certainly something we would consider doing at the end of the year again.

Thank you for your participation in all the different things the year has presented. It really does feel like we have grown the community of Tapanui School in heart and unity and I hope that you all feel it is a safe place to share, contribute and belong.

It was fabulous to once again see such a great turn out to our end of year Prize Giving. There truly is so much to celebrate - some of which we did through awards today.

As a staff we wish you all a very safe and happy Christmas time and that the new year provides some rest, refreshment and quality time with your children.

We look forward to seeing our Year 6's for 2024 back on the 31 January for an action packed day of fun and challenge as they begin their Year 6 Leadership Journey - Making a Positive Impact! To the rest of the school - we'll see you on Thursday 1 Feb!

Meri Kirihemete - Merry Christmas
Jane

MAYBE CHRISTMAS, HE THOUGHT,
DOESN'T COME FROM A STORE.
MAYBE CHRISTMAS...PERHAPS...
means a LITTLE BIT MORE!

DR. SEUSS

On our mufti day last week when children were asked to come dressed up as what they want to be when they grow up... "I want to be a principal!" Here's a potential future Principal...and what a great one she'd make!



PTA

KEEP SELLING THOSE TICKETS!!!



If you are able to help sell these tickets out in the community and further afield then please pop into the school office and Robyn can allocate you some. Winners are drawn on 23 December so let's get selling!

TAPANUI SCHOOL PRESENTS

PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISER

1200 TICKETS AT \$20 EACH

1ST PRIZE
WORTH **\$7000**
LOCHIEL TRAILER
LOCHIEL ENGINEERING
HOME OF THE LOCHIEL TRAILER

2ND PRIZE
WORTH **\$900**
WATER BLASTER
WEST O' TAGO
on farm servicing

3RD PRIZE
WORTH **\$699**
MOWER
DWAIN'S SERVICE CENTRE
03 2048 400 www.dwains.co.nz

4TH PRIZE: Wheelbarrow with goodies worth \$500 (Ant Wallace Building Limited)
 5TH PRIZE: Firewood worth \$400 (Campbell Dairy Ltd)
 6TH PRIZE: Nursery Voucher worth \$300 (Blue Mountain Nurseries)
WINNERS TO BE DRAWN ON 23 DECEMBER AT CHRISTMAS PARADE

BUY TICKETS NOW!

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT IDEAL PRINT, 4 SQUARE & SCHOOL OFFICE

Thanks to all those who have been selling raffle tickets.

These need to be all sold before the 23 December as it's going to be drawn at the Tapanui Santa Parade.

Please return sold ticket stubs and any unsold books to the school office by the end of Tuesday 19th or contact Joy 027 2934 127

Well done to all those who contributed to a successful Cake Stall at the Market last weekend. The PTA made approximately \$1000! This was an amazing effort!



#tapanui



\$30 EACH

LOVE

LOCAL



PUT THE **UNITY** IN COMMUNITY WITH A TAPANUI T-SHIRT



In support of Tapanui School PTA
\$5 of every shirt sold
will go towards the School Playground.

Regular fit, Crew neck, Mid weight
180 GSM, 100% combed cotton, Sizes: XS - 2XL

Orders collected from Tapanui School

ORDER NOW

Adri: 022 4372132
www.saltculture.co.nz/tapanui



JAR OF AWESOME

Spot the children who have been noticed going above and beyond this week. Tino pai - What a great start to the term!



YOUR CHILD
CAN USE
STEPS WEB
OVER THE
HOLIDAYS



swimming this week

This week the focus was on survival swimming in waves, seaweed, in a group and with a life jacket on and fully dressed! Hopefully your child is feeling more confident and ready for a summer around water! Thanks REAP for providing the tutors.



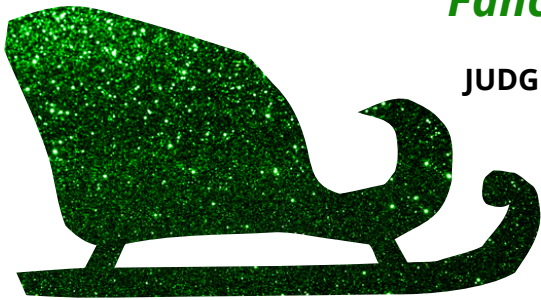


TAPANUI's 70th CHRISTMAS EVE PARADE!

Tapanui's 70th Christmas eve parade is to be held on Saturday 23rd December at 7pm.

Merry go round and sausage sizzle available.

Fancy Dress Competition



JUDGING STARTS PROMPTLY AT 6.30

Categories

- 0 to Under 2
- 2 to under 4
- 4 to Under 6
- 6 to 8 years
- 8 and over

(Boys and girls separate categories)

Groups

Pairs

Decorated bikes/ trikes/ prams and scooters



FANCY DRESS IS FREE TO ENTER.

DOORS WILL BE OPEN AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE FROM 6PM
(The big grey building, entrance opposite the Tapanui primary school)

After judging the children get to walk in the parade to the grass area in front of the stage and wait for the presentations

We look forward to seeing you all there!



Check out this amazing creation led by Mack Stuart and Mrs Vicky Crawford.

It represents the Tapanui Tree of Learning and Growth. You will notice the Tapanui School logo up the side. The sparkly paua makes it look stunning - to reflect how we shine when we develop some amazing skills and attributes.



Literacy

This term we have continued on our journey to develop our structured literacy programme. All teachers were involved in across schools writing moderation at Waikaka, where we evaluated a sample of writing from each student, and put them onto a continuum. This also involved discussions about our programmes and identifying areas of need for our students. Our iDeaL lessons have been going well and students are actively engaged and showing progress in recent assessments. We are looking forward to continued to develop this further next year.

TAPANUI TERM 4

Math

Mad Math Minute is still a hit in the classroom with students eager to move up levels and progress through the stages. We have a new system of using folders instead of putting them into books and this has worked well with efficiency and students can see the progress. The four practices through the week help to show the progress that they have made and are encouraging to the students. We have been bringing maths into the curriculum throughout the day helping the students to make connections throughout the day. maths moments throughout



Community

Community has been the school wide focus this term and it has been great to see the knowledge from the students as we discussed the Tapanui community along with their own personal communities. Our two junior classes also were involved in the Firewise - fire safety programme which also involved a visit from our very own Tapanui volunteer firefighters! 'Get down, get low, get out FAST!' Our International extravaganza was a great way to finish our community inquiry. It was great to meet parents and see them and their children dressed up and proudly representing their cultures.

Other News:

Craft week was a highlight as they got to be hands on and explore crafts that they may not have had a chance to do. They learnt many new skills and it was great to see the mix of age groups and the seniors taking on the leadership roles. We look forward to seeing the students develop in confidence and skills with REAP swimming over the coming weeks.