

20 Tapanui School Newsletter

Newsletter #15 - 19 September 2025

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ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Makaire Karaitiana - Equity
Johnson Gray - Confident
Oakley Dunlop - Perseverance
Rylie Dissanayake - Respect
Henry Armishaw-Blanc - Perseverance
Ivey Brand - Actively Involved
Sophia Fabian -
Perseverance/Excellence
Grayson Munro - Excellence
Jackson Broome - Actively Involved
Ryleigh Harris - Actively Involved
Sophie Campbell - Perseverance
Zayne Guides - Respect
Nixon Waitokia - Perseverance
Bonnie Eales - Equity
Zack Guides - Connected

Tino Pai Koutou!

Teacher Only Day

A reminder that Term 4 will start with a Teacher Only Day on 6 October.

All children will start Term 4 on Tuesday 7 October.

This TOD is allocated by the Ministry of Education to support the outworking of the new maths curriculum.



SPRING RAFFLE

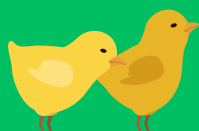
Year 5 and 6 Camp Fundraiser



And the winner of the Y5/6 Spring Raffle is...

Mckenzie Wallace

Thanks to everyone
who supported this fundraiser



A message from Whaea Jane...



*Kia ora koutou,
I have been truly overwhelmed this term by the support from so many in our community to us as a school. It comes in so many ways - Launchpad teachers volunteering each week, people volunteering for the Board, parents donating things they see are needed, parents and community giving up their time to inspire children with a new skill - engineering, woodworking, guitar, drums, crotchet..., teenagers from BMC giving up their time to coach miniball and support our academy projects, parents supporting other children in sport and transporting them to sport in Gore, parents seeing financial need and paying for children (not their own) to get involved in things, PTA working hard to get the playground finished even when their own lives are crazy busy. This is truly an aspect of our mission statement being outworked - 'Together we learn and grow'. It is through the leadership, contribution and heart of a community that our young people will thrive. Please accept this as a heartfelt thank you for your contribution to our school but also for working hard to instil in your own children the values, work ethic and gratitude that will make them great contributors and team players in the communities they find themselves in. There has been a lot of sickness once again this term with a variety of tummy bugs and flu bugs doing the rounds. I'm hopeful that the holidays will provide some much needed rest for everyone so we can have a really positive end to the year.*

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3

TERM 3 - WEEK 1

- 6 Oct - Teacher Only Day
- 7 Oct - First day of Term 3
- Mihi Whakatau
- 10 Oct - Cricket Southland visit

WEEK 2

- 14 Oct - School Photos
- 16 Oct - Working Bee

WEEK 3

- 22-24 Oct - Y5/6 Camp @ Pukerau
- 23 Oct - Teacher Strike Action

WEEK 4

- 27 Oct - Labour Day - NO SCHOOL

WEEK 5

- 5 Nov - BMC (Heather) visiting Y6

WEEK 6

- 13 Nov - International Whānau Hui

We have some exciting things planned for next term including continued engagement with the wetlands project, an international whānau hui, Y5/6 camp, swimming lessons, student led inquiry projects, and the opening of our new playground!! We are also planning a working bee on Thursday 16 October so please get this in your calendar! It would be great to see a few parents at our mihi whakatau on Tuesday 7 October to welcome a new family to our school. Mauri ora - Be well as you rest, work and connect.

Jane

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori



This week we have been celebrating te wiki o te reo Māori (Māori Language Week). It is such a privilege to be part of preserving this language - a precious taonga (treasure) that is unique to Aotearoa, NZ. We decided to give our Kapa haka group another opportunity to share their passion and skill so we took to the streets with our waiata. What a blessing it was to us, but hopefully to others, as we saw lots of smiles, waves, and people stopping to listen. Some of the other classes played kahoots, games and tried to use te reo a little more this week. We thought we'd take this opportunity to share with you the words and translation to our school waiata.

Tapanui Waiata

Ko Tapuaenuku te mauka
Ko Poumahaka te awa
Ko Kai Tahu te iwi o te rohe nei
Ko Tapanui Kura tō mātou kura

Tirotirohia, tirohia
Tirotirohia, tirohia

Ki te raki (te kūwaha ki ka roto)
Ki te rāwhiti (te ngahere me ka manu iti)
Ki te hauāuru (te awa me te tuna me te rakiraki e)
Ki te toka Aue! (ka rama kanikani i te raki pō)

Anei te rui ataahua
E kiia nei ko te kāika Tapanui

Tapuaenuku is the mountain
Poumahaka is the river
Kai Tahu is the iwi of this area
Tapanui Kura is our school

Look about, observe
Look about, observe

To the north, (the gateway to the lakes)
To the east, (the forest and the little birds)
To the west, (the eels and the ducks)
To the south, wow! (the lights dancing in the night sky)

Here is the beautiful valley
That we call home - Tapanui.



SENIOR ACADEMY



FOCUS ON ANIMATION

The children doing animation have explored a number of different animation ideas. You can see a few examples of their exploration of claymation on Facebook! Thanks to Daniel van Rooyen who came along during the Year 13 Strike action on Monday to help.



FOCUS ON CLAY

One of our students displayed an interest in working with clay and worked hard to create this detailed sculpture.



FOCUS ON FASHION

Some of our senior girls had a go at some sewing skills designing things including a dog blanket, a bag and a top.



FOCUS ON ENGINEERING

Our three budding engineers have worked hard and learnt a lot from members of our community about working with metal. A massive thank you to Maarten Wagenaar who not only tidied his workshop for the young engineers but also planned and co-ordinated learning activities for them along with sourcing some scrap stainless steel given to them by Nigel Longman at The Metal Effect, Cromwell. Huge thanks to Nigel and also to Mark Evans and the team at Heavy Equipment for showing our young engineers how some of the special equipment worked.



Tui 5 learning this week

The Tui 5 class have been learning about mass - using different scales to measure weight, hefting, converting grams to kg and vice versa. Getting into some baking over the holidays could be a great reinforcement of some of this learning!



Skip, our Sports Activator, led each class through some challenging hand/eye co-ordination activities. It really got our brains working and took a LOT of concentration. This would be another great activity for bored children in the holidays - grab a tennis ball or two and get both hands trying to work at the same task, at opposite tasks and passing and catching to and from each hand.



Something to do in the holidays at the local library.
Ring 204 8306 to secure your spot.



Clutha District Council

Libraries

Thursday
25 Sept

Art class with Mrs C*

11 - 12pm : 5-8 year olds

1 - 2pm : 9 years +

A fun and creative art class,
learn new skills and take
home a unique artwork



Friday
26 Sept

Thursday
2 Oct

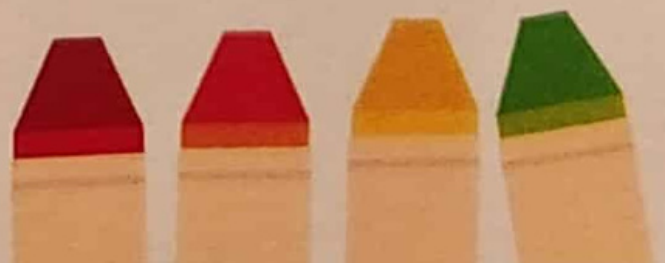
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3 Oct



TERM 4 ICE SKATING

CHECKOUT FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM: @icesportssouthland

KIWISKATE TERM 4

Monday & Saturday

(During school terms. No Kiwiskate on Public Holidays)

Monday: 4pm - 5pm
Saturday: 10am - 11am

The first 15mins is free time to warm up and be ready before their lesson starts.

1 DAY WEEK
TERM 4

\$115

TERM 4

\$200

TERM 4

PLEASE PAY AT THE MULTISPORTS COMPLEX RECEPTION ON WEEK 1.

REGISTER: WWW.TINYURL.COM/KIWISKATE



1 DAY WEEK
TERM 4

\$100

TERM 4

\$200

TERM 4

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TEEN KIWISKATE

Saturday Morning

(During school terms. No Kiwiskate on Public Holidays)

Saturday: 11am - 12pm

Teenager specific timeslot to learn to skate. Teens - 12yo and over. They can also join Monday Kiwiskate if wanting to skate twice/week.

1 DAY WEEK
TERM 4

\$100

TERM 4

\$200

TERM 4

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CUBS LEARN TO PLAY ICE HOCKEY

TUESDAY 4.30PM - 5.30PM

4 - 16 YEAR OLDS \$130 9 WEEKS

STARTS: 7TH OCTOBER

PLAYERS WILL LEARN THE BASICS OF SKATING AND STICK HANDLING AND BUILD CONFIDENCE ON THE ICE ALL THE WHILE FEELING SAFE WRAPPED UP IN A FULL SET OF HOCKEY PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT.

ALL SKATES, STICKS, HELMETS AND COACHING INCLUDED.

REGISTER: WWW.TINYURL.COM/JUNIOR-1TP

Gore Multisports Complex off Robertson Street, Gore

www.icesportssouthland.com



ADULT LEARN TO SKATE

Monday: 7pm - 8pm

(During school terms. Not on Public Holidays)

All abilities welcome. Cost includes skates & helmet if required.

Age 16+

Adult Beginners Lesson First ½ hr - Group Lesson Second ½ hr - Time to skate and connect with others.

1 DAY WEEK
TERM 4

\$15

TERM 4

\$18

TERM 4

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More info email: issfigure@gmail.com

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PRESCHOOLER & PARENT

Thursday: 1.00pm - 1.30pm

RUNS FOR THE FIRST 5 WEEKS OF TERM, WITH OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE.

INCLUDES PENGUIN/ SEAL SKATE HIRE FOR PARENT/ PRESCHOOLER, AND COACHING.

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HOME ED. LEARN TO SKATE

Tuesday: 12.30pm - 1.30pm

RUNS FOR 10 WEEKS (BEGINNING 6TH OCTOBER)

INCLUDES ICE ENTRY PENGUIN/SEAL SKATE HIRE, AND COACHING.

THIS SESSION IS SUITABLE FOR ANY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN.

REGISTER: WWW.TINYURL.COM/HOME-ED

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PUBLIC ICE SKATING

EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY

2-4PM

Adult (18 or over) - \$18
Student (Under 18) - \$15
Preschool (Under 5) - \$7.50
Family 4 Pass - \$59
(2 adults & 2 children OR 1 adult & 3 children)

PRICE

REGISTER: WWW.TINYURL.COM/HOCKEY-DAY

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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

CHECKOUT FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM: @icesportssouthland

LEARN TO SKATE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Mon 22nd, Tues 23rd, Wed 24th Sept.

Wed 1st, Thurs 2nd, Fri 3rd Oct.

SKATERS ARE WELCOME TO STAY ON FOR PUBLIC SESSION AFTER THE LESSON AT NO EXTRA COST.

1PM - 2PM

1 DAY

\$18

2 DAY

\$30

3 DAY

\$40



4-16 YEARS

NO SKATING EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

HELMETS COMPULSORY

"A GREAT WAY TO FILL IN YOUR SCHOOL HOLIDAYS"

REGISTER: WWW.TINYURL.COM/LEARN-ISS

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ICE HOCKEY HAVE A GO THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

TUESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

TUESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

TUESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

WEDNESDAY 1ST OCTOBER

12PM - 1PM

REGISTER: WWW.TINYURL.COM/HOCKEY-DAY

AGES 6 YEARS AND UP

ISS HEAD COACH: HAYLEY BEARDSWORTH

COST: \$15 PER PERSON PER SESSION

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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

OPEN 2 - 4pm everyday during the school holidays & weekends



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