# Tapanui School Newsletter

Newsletter #35 - 10 November 2023



Thank you to all those who generously donated money and/or pet food for the SPCA on Wednesday. We raised \$75.10 along with a whole lot of pet food!.









We are super proud of Natalia who was a finalist for the Fred Hollows Humanitarian Award in New Zealand. She was nominated for the way she is always looking out for others and trying to make other people's lives better - both in school and the community.

Congratulations Natalia!



Proud whānau celebrating with Natalia after assembly on Friday.

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## IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4

Week 6: 13 - 17 November

Monday - Sports Activator

Tuesday - Māori Whānau Hui

Thursday - Orientation Day @ BMC

Friday - Firewise visit for juniors

Week 7: 20 - 24 November

Monday - TOD - NO SCHOOL

Thur/Fri - Craft Days

Week 8: 27 - 1 December

Tues - PALs Fun Day in Gore

Wed - Sports Activator

- International Extravaganza!

Thur/Fri - Craft Days

Week 9: 4 - 8 December

Mon - Thur - REAP Swimming lessons

Tues - Board meeting

Week 10: 11 - 15 December

Mon - Thu - REAP Swimming lessons

Friday - End of Year Prize Giving

Monday 18 Dec final tidy up day

## Kia ora Whānau!

Thanks to all those who have already done some thinking and responding to our Strategic Plan consultation. We are already starting to see a few commonalities but it would be great to hear from a few more. You have one more week so please take the opportunity to have your input. It's all about providing the best education we can for your tamariki. We hope to share back the common threads at our International Extravaganza coming up on Wednesday 29 November. More information about this event is in the newsletter so be sure to mark it in the calendar.

What a great final whole school assembly we had on Friday. Our senior children really have prepared for these and willingly stepped into leadership roles well. Thanks Whaea Ellyce for supporting them in this.

Our End of Year Prize Giving will be held in the West Otago Community Centre Theatre on Friday 15 Dec at 1:30pm. All parents and whānau are encouraged to attend as we celebrate the progress, effort and achievement of all our students.

Ngā mihi, Jane



Sophia Fabian - Excellence
Ella Fabian - Actively Involved
Levi Collard - Confident
Sophie Campbell - Excellence
Kaius Duncan - Equity
Annabel Stewart - Respect

Brooklyn Templeton - Perseverance Fearghas Broome - Confidence Leanna Navarro - Actively Involved Madahasi Bogala Arachchillage - Life Long Learner

Caleb Hansen - Perseverance

## Who reached 100mins on Steps Web this week?

Aarav, Annabel, Bella J, Bruce, Cailyn, Clara, David, Emma, Harper B, Heidi, Isabel, Kahu, Kate, Koby, Laykin, Leanna, Leiana, Liam, Mack, Madahasi, Mathew, Maz, Natalia, Novak, Oliver, Owen, Portia, Sam, Sebastian, Siddartha, Thomas, Tilly T, Asha, Bonnie, Brian, Charlie R, Josh, Riley C, Zeb

## Tino pai korua!

# STUDENT MOMENTS

#### **Natalia**

Congratulations to Natalia for completing all of Steps Web!

#### Isabel and Natalia

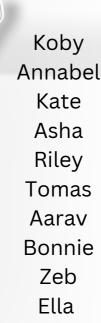
Congratulations to these two girls who participated in the NZ Kiwi Spelling Bee. Natalia got an 'Achieved' - scoring in the top 50% of participants.

Isabel got a 'Merit' - scoring in the top 25%.

It was great to hear their conversation after receiving these awards at assembly... "Let's aim to get 'Distinction' next time!" Reaching high, never settling for the status quo and always believing you can do better. Love it girls.

## 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!



Sophia

Riley
Clara
Bella
Tilly
Mckenzie
Bruce
Cailyn
Sam
Zari
Levi
Ethan

Ivey



1200 TICKETS AT \$20 EACH

1ST PRIZE
WORTH \$7000
LOCHIEL TRAILER
LOCHIEL ENGINEERING







4TH PRIZE: Wheelbarrow with goodies worth \$500 (Ant Wallace)
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

TICKETS ON SALE SOON

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT IDEAL PRINT, 4 SQUARE & SCHOOL OFFICE















Please drop items for the Christmas wheelbarrow to the school office by Thursday 16th November. Any non perishable items are welcome, no alcohol please.

# Thursday 16th November- PTA meeting in the Blue Room at 7.30pm.

**9th Dec -** We've got a bake sale in Gore - donations gratefully received. **6th Dec -** Baking working bee to prepare items for bake sale.

# CRAFT DAYS

### **Tapanui School Craft Days**

- Thur/Fri 23/24 Nov
- Thur/Fri 30 Nov/1 Dec

## Help needed

Do you have any of these things which are needed for Craft activities with Tapanui and Heriot school children during November. Please drop them into Idealprint.

If you would like to be involved, for a day or part of a day, we would love to hear from you. It will run smoothly if we can get 24 helpers each day. Craft days are held over 8 days spread throughout November - 4 days in Heriot and 4 days in Tapanui For more info, contact Gloria 0272 355 165 Thank you

## Things needed

- Jars 1 litre capacity, with lids. Glass or plastic.
- Boxes with detachable lids, like shoe boxes. Need box AND lid. Any size.
- Jigsaw puzzles you no longer want. Can have pieces missing.(Gluing them to balloons)
- Cardboard cylinders (inners of paper towels, toilet rolls etc) Any length or diameter.
- Old sheets that can be cut into long strips.

## MĀORI WHĀNAU HUI

#### THIS TUESDAY 6 - 7:30PM

You might be wondering why we are having a specific hui for Māori whānau. Hopefully the following might help explain.

At Tapanui School we really value the fact that nearly a third of our tamariki identify as Māori. We also understand that even though the Treaty of Waitangi was signed in 1840 to give equity, agency and protection to Māori land, culture, language and governance, this hasn't happened. This has had a huge impact on Māori communities over time. As part of our role in the education system to give effect to te Tiriti we need to ensure that we hear the voices of those who haven't been well served in the education system historically and move forward together in a bicultural partnership to ensure everyone's needs are met.

We are looking forward to our international extravaganza on Wednesday 29 Nov, where we invite our whole school community to come and share in a celebration of unity amongst diversity in our community.

If you have any questions or concerns please make a time to come and talk to me.







We invite you to visit the site at https://tapanui.schooldocs.co.nz.

Our username is "tapanui" and password "together"

Go to the Current Review tab and take part in this

term's review.

If you don't have access or can't mine sta use the online review platform please make contact with Robyn and she can

provide

paper copies. Be involved in this term's review...

All children will need to bring their togs and towel

## every day from next week

We will be going over to the pool most days to prepare and get groups sorted for Week 9-10 REAP swimming lessons. If your child is feeling anxious or nervous about getting in the water please send their togs and let us know and we will support them.

