## 27 June 2018 Newsletter No 11

Tena Koutou Parents and Friends

What a very successful past couple of weeks we have had since our last newsletter! We sent a team of 38 students to the SC Cross Country hosted at Waihi. All of our students competed very well and with pride. We took out eight top ten places with five of these being in the top three. Winners in the Year 8 Girls Team and Year 8 Individual Girls; Second in the Year 5 Individual Boys; Year 5 Individual Girls and Year 8 Individual Girls events. Outstanding effort!

We had the finals night for Basketball last Monday and I thoroughly enjoyed watching all three of our teams compete. Our Year 7/8 boys won their final with a very good game against Sacred Heart. Matt Gonzales also took out the Most Valuable Player award. Well done to the Boys!

Our Jump Jam Teams were also hugely successful last Wednesday with all four teams making the finals (the only school in South Canterbury to have all of their teams in each of the finals!) We gained a 1st (Yr. 1-4) and two 2nds (Open Boys and Yr. 7-8 Open). Our students are to be commended for their outstanding performance and behaviour on and off the stage. Members of the public have contacted us to congratulate our students on the sportsmanship and support shown towards other schools.

Well done to each every one of our students at all of these events, we are very proud of you all! Full details of students' names are outlined within the newsletter. A big thank you goes to all our wonderful helpers and supporters at each of these events. Your positive, vocal support was much appreciated by staff and students!! Last but by no means least – thank you to our wonderful teachers who coached or helped with these events. The hours you have given up before school, at morning tea, lunchtimes and after

school to practise and train our students is very much appreciated!

We have had very positive feedback from our Open Day and Family Forum. We were very pleased with the turnout which we no doubt can build on for next year. Thank you to all who were able to join us.

Thank you to our school community for enabling the teachers to attend their NZEI meeting last Friday afternoon. We appreciate that the afternoon may have been inconvenient or disruptive to you and your family but your support was greatly valued.

As this is our last newsletter before the holidays. On behalf of the staff I wish you all a relaxing family time and stay safe on the roads if you are travelling.

Our Wellbeing focus for this fortnight is 'Connect – Me Whakawhanaunga.'

Take time in the holidays to connect with loved ones and friends old and new.

Nga mihi nui Collette Sandilands



# Wellbeing Focus: Connect - Me Whakawhanaunga

Feeling close to other people and valued by them is a fundamental human need. Across all ages, relationships and

participation in a social life are critical for mental wellbeing. Strong social relationships are supportive, encouraging, and meaningful, and a wider social network is also important for feelings of connectedness and self-worth.

#### **NEW STUDENTS**



We welcome the following students and their families to Grantlea Downs in the last fortnight: Kassi White, Honor Walkinshaw-Dee, Brodie Penty and Hoani Wallis-Kumeroa Gosling.

#### **MUFTI DAY - HEART KIDS**

Our mufti day held 15 June raised \$263.20 for Heart Kids. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

#### **SC Primary Schools Cross Country 2018**

Congratulations to the thirty-eight children that represented us at Waihi School for the annual Primary Schools Cross Country. The children ran through an extremely muddy course with two water crossings (some water levels were higher than the childrens knees!) and obstacles to climb over. Well done to all the children who put in a fantastic effort and represented our school with pride.

Top placings:

Millie Boyle – Second Year 5 Girls Dakoda Davis – Second Year 5 Boys Niamh Motley – First Year 8 Girls Mia Quirke – Second Year 8 Girls

Niamh Motley, Mia Quirke and Amelia Maynard – First Year 8 Girls Team

Thank you to the parents who came and supported their children as well as to Jaime Sullivan for helping with supervision and bringing out the name labels.



# Year 7/8 Basketball Competition

Well done to our three senior basketball teams on their season this year. A massive congratulations to the Year 8 Cavaliers Boys team who won the A Grade this year, with a convincing score of 62-14 against Sacred Heart. These boys went through the competition unbeaten for

the season. Also well done to Matt Gonzales who was named Boys MVP for the 2018 season. Thank you to Sean Fuller for coaching the Cavaliers for the last three years, Anthony Mulligan and Craig Motley for



coaching the Girls Hawks team and to David Fairhall for managing the Boys Hornets team.

#### Jump Jam 2018

What a successful Jump Jam we have had! All the before

school, morning tea and lunch time practises over the past term paid off. We had four teams competing in the different categories and all teams made their respective



finals. Congratulations to our Year 3-4 "GD Rock Doctors" team who won their section performing the



Witch Doctor. Also congratulations to the boys "GD Revive" and Year 7-8 "GD Swift T's"



who placed second in their categories. The Year 5-6 "GD Sunshiners" were in the top seven of their category.

Thank you to all the parents who helped with transporting these children to and from the Theatre Royal. A big



thank you to Mrs Brown, Miss Halkett, Mrs Bray and Mrs White for taking these teams.



# **'Out of this World! Scholastic Book Fair**



A very successful Scholastic Book Fair was held last week. With sales of \$2,658.00 we were able to choose \$797.00 worth of items for the library

**Guitar Tuition available** at Grantlea Downs Thursday afternoons. Taking enrolments now for Term 3. Contact Kathy Macdonald on 6844658 or 02102399795:



### GRANDPARENTS GROUP - Next Friday 6th July

We are having a morning tea for grandparents who are caring for their grandchildren next **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 9.00am** in the staffroom. Join us for a cuppa and a chat.



#### **COMET MAKING IN THE LIBRARY**





#### **FANCY DRESS COMPETITION**





# **Key Dates**

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28 June	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
4 July	Reports go home
5 July	Visiting Performer
6 July	Assembly/Mid Year Awards
Term 3	
23 July	First day of Term 3
25 July	Ski/Skate notices & payment due
3 August	Assembly 2.15pm
9 August	Ski Skate Day

#### **TREEmendous Behaviour Values Draw Winners**

Below are the recipients of the TREEmendous Behaviour Values draw. Children are given a green card when they are observed showing actions in line with our school values



#### Week 7 - Term 2

Winning House: Jellicoe				
Jacob - Room 10				
Amiee - Room 13				
Ava M - Room 2				
Michelle - Room 7				
Aroha - Room 7				

#### Week 8 - Term 2

Winning House: Gould Hunter H - Room 3 Tayla - Room 10 Ola - Room 3 Jess - Room 15 Caiden - Room 5

## **Assembly Awards**

Principals Award – Week 8 Term 2 Boys' 'GD Revive' Jump Jam team

#### Excellent Effort - Week 7 Term 2

Jaydie Taylor-Dinsdale, Charlee Rogers, Hunter Hopkinson, Brylee Taylor, Liam Wright, Addisyn Hallberg, Chloe Holden, Morgan Palmer, Ryan Donehue, Mia Holden, Brooklyn Beckett, Chelsea Nicholls, Ramanyne McCully-Winiata, Tim Kirke, Astle Holden, Max Gibson, Keanu Smith-Allan, Ana Perham

#### Values Focus Award - Week 7 Term 2

Jasmyn Cleland, Topaz Davis, Reid Brazendale, Gabby Milne, Brianna Latu, Latisha Aldridge, Devlin Redrup, Pippa Palmer, Jayda Hull, Bailey Patterson Page, Ella Smith Achievement Award – Seals of Approval – Week 7 Term 2 Amelia Forward, Jax Rolton, Savannah Annear-Mason, Blake Cunningham, Hunter Simms, Jessica Beeby, Montana Davis, Mikayla Willetts, Ardia Fitzgerald, Skye Murray, Tyla Murray

#### Excellent Effort – Week 8 Term 2

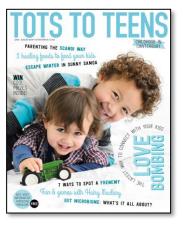
Anaru McCoy, Freya Forward, Heidi Fuller, Lachie Bain, Caiden Hough, Makea Patterson, Jessica Beeby, Miglia Schicker, Faliqh Faris, Tawhai Reihana, Daniel La Grange, Hollie Todd, Ryan Wilkins, Teigan Bailey, Ebony Strudwicke, Abby Rempala, Kawend Kuang, Bryce Barrett, Andrew Blake

#### Values Focus Award - Week 8 Term 2

Mason Fitzgerald, Archie Kotua, Nevaeh Minchington-Wallis, Salafai Paniani, Kate Hoare, Tylah Whakarau, Jack Bennett, Amy Alden, Mikayla Willetts, Amiee Honatana, Brendan Phillips, Madison Wills

Achievement Award – Seals of Approval – Week 6 Term 2 Indie Annear-Mason, Scarlet Hayes, Dominic Esler, Olly Brown-Innes, Phoebe Kiddey, Izzy McGinnis, Mia Holden, Kayden Piggin, Alex Elder, Zannyx Geary, Niamh Motley, Nara Shenton

#### What's in the latest issue of Tots To Teens Magazine.



The latest issue of Tots to Teens is out, and we have a fantastic new phone and computer friendly digital version for parents to view. Be the first to read about the latest way to connect with your kids by "love bombing", go beyond books to ramp up children's reading, feed your kids 5 healing foods that are easy on the

pocket, teach kids how to spot a frenemy, become a gut microbiome expert, and discover 9 playful ways to teach children mindful breathing.

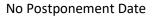
Your free link to the new digital magazine **for schools only** is here <a href="https://readymag.com/TOTSTOTEENS/Canterbury/">https://readymag.com/TOTSTOTEENS/Canterbury/</a>



# Ski/Skate Day

(Years 3 - 8)

# Thursday 9th August (Week 3)





Our ski/skate day is to be held during Week 3, on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> August. Both skiing and skating will be held at Lake Tekapo, with the skiing at Roundhill and the skating at Alpine Springs Ice Skating Rink.

Please read the following information carefully and then fill in all the sections on the forms.

#### **OPTIONS**

- \* Ice Skating for Years 3 8
- \* Skiing for Years 5 8

(Note - Year 4 students will be able to go on the skiing trip **only** if they are accompanied **by a parent who intends supervising them throughout the day.** Older siblings do not qualify)

We require definite bookings including PAYMENT before Wednesday 25th July (Week 1 Term 3), as payments will need to be made to both venues before we go. In previous years people have changed their minds within 24 hours of us going and this has disrupted travel arrangements and caused us last minute problems therefore no late bookings will be considered, the closing date will be Wednesday 25th July. If a medical certificate is supplied a refund will be made for the ski hire and lesson etc. No refund will be given for the bus.

<u>Note</u> – all prices are special prices for school groups. Costs include transport, equipment hire, lessons, lift pass (skiing) and entry (ice skating).

Please ensure that your child has the following clothing to ensure that they are warm throughout the day.

#### Skating (bus leaves at 9am, returns approx. 3pm)

Skiing (bus leaves at 7am, returns approx. 6-6.30pm)

Bike Helmet – this is essential

Jacket

Warm Jersey/Sweatshirt/Polar fleece

Warm trousers (no jeans)

Warm Hat/Beanie

Gloves

Drink Bottle

Plenty of food to last the day



Sunscreen —this is essential

Warm Waterproof Jacket

Waterproof trousers

Warm Jersey /Sweatshirt/Polar fleece

Warm Hat/Beanie

Waterproof Gloves

Sunglasses/goggles these are essential

Plenty of food to last the day

Drink bottle



It is expected that <u>parents skiing</u> will assist any students who need help with boots, skis, guidance, etc... If parents wish to attend but are not willing to help, they will need to organise their own transport and lift pass / ski hire at the normal rate.

Please complete the return slip and return to the school office WITH PAYMENT.

If you have any questions please see Mrs White in Room 15

Spare copies of the Ski/Skate Return Slip are available from the school office

#### SKIING - ROUNDHILL SKI FIELD

### Thursday 9th August All sections of this table must be filled in.

Child – Skiing or snowboarding – Transport, lift pass, lesson, hire \$ 70.00 Adult - Skiing or snowboarding – Transport, lift pass, lesson and hire \$125.00 Adult - Skiing or snowboarding – Transport, lift pass, and hire *(no lesson)* \$100.00

Name	Room No	Year level	Shoe Size	Level (see below) (Please circle)	Skiing or Snowboarding (Please circle)	Please enter cost
				1 2 3 4 5	Skiing Snowboarding	\$
				1 2 3 4 5	Skiing Snowboarding	\$
				1 2 3 4 5	Skiing Snowboarding	\$
					Total	\$
			If paying by Direct Credit please fill in date paid/ /			

Level 1= never skied, Level 2= can stop but not turn, Level 3= can snow plough, Level 4= parallel turns, Level 5= short carving turns

Please note that all these prices are special prices for school groups. **No** discounts will be given for own transport or gear.

#### Please pay before WEDNESDAY 25th July – No late bookings

Parent Help	Name	Phone Number	Are you willing to take a safety vehicle? (Please circle)
			Yes No

# ICE SKATING – ALPINE SPRINGS TEKAPO Thursday 9th August

Child Skating – Transport, entry, hire \$35.00 Adult Skating – Transport, entry, hire \$45.00

Name	Room Number	Year level	Shoe size	Please enter cost
			Total	\$
	If paying by	If paying by Direct Credit please fill in date paid//		

Please note that all these prices are special prices for school groups. No discounts will be given for own transport.

#### Please pay before WEDNESDAY 25th July - No late bookings

Parent Help	Name	Phone Number	Are you willing to take		
			a safety vehicle? (Please circle)		
			Yes	No	

# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**



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