

Dear Parents, Friends and Whānau



Ruby Anderson, Melody Sparks and Savia Johnston enjoy each others' company in buddy reading last week.

Haere mai and welcome to the end of what felt like the longest second term ever. The events of the first half of this year will not be forgotten but I want to thank you for your support in ensuring that our children got through a challenging time. They are safe and happy now just as they were then. I realise you all played a crucial part in keeping the country ticking over and as the engine room in our community and

economy. I acknowledge this but also want to salute the teachers and staff who fronted up over lockdown. Along with their other priorities they put your children first and continued to deliver learning at home for a long period of time. The BOT will be recognising this at an afternoon tea for all staff on Friday at 4.00pm.

You should all have received reports on Friday and we expect that you will use these as the basis of some discussion at our upcoming Learning Conferences (Wednesday 1 July).

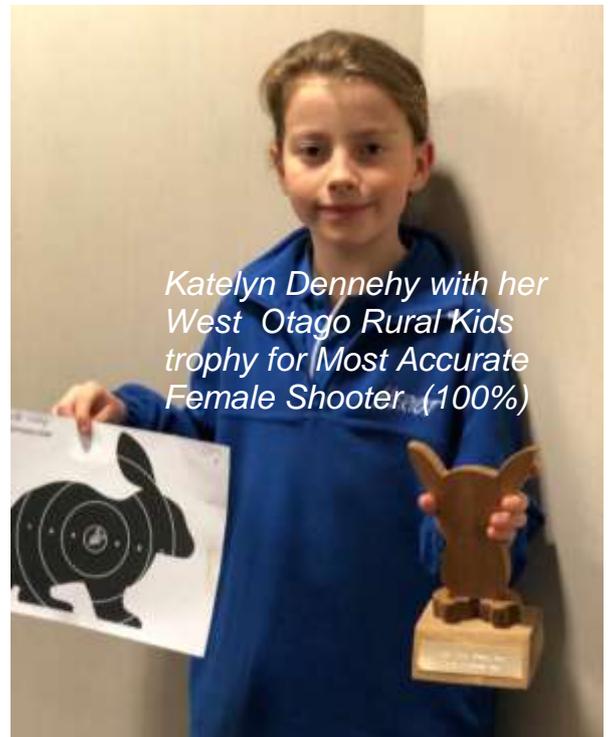
The most important thing for our children over the coming two week holiday is for them to rest. They need a chance to recharge and regroup in much the same way you deserve to.

I hope you have a safe and happy break and we look forward to starting fresh in term three.

He waka eke noa

We're all in this together

Colin McHutchon
Tumuaki/Principal



Katelyn Dennehy with her West Otago Rural Kids trophy for Most Accurate Female Shooter (100%)

Important Information

LEARNING CONFERENCES

These are happening this week on **Wednesday 1 July**. If you would still like to arrange a time then please ring the office to talk to Mrs Cormack.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT REPORTS

We are very interested in receiving any constructive feedback you have about these reports. Were they easy enough to understand? What do you expect to see? What would you like to see?

BOILER

Apologies for the lack of heat on Friday. The boiler had been running fine the night before at our BOT Meeting but early on Friday morning it was completely off. We think we have resolved the issue in the short term.

UNIFORM

I received a lot of interest from you in regards to us having hoodies as an additional part of our school uniform.

I am waiting to get a sample from Southern Workwear so we can check the quality and style before we go ahead.

BUS BEHAVIOUR

There are ongoing incidents of misbehaviour on the Moa Flat bus. Behaviours range from; moving around the bus, yelling, and inappropriate language, to emotional and physical harm.

I have spoken with leaders at BMC and with our children on this bus. There is an ongoing 'culture' on this bus that we do not accept. Without some integrity from our students, and your support, this will continue to be the case **and chaos will rule.**

VESTS

We have acquired some vests from Fonterra. Sorry if you are wondering where all of the little ones are. They only had a couple of sizes available to us. The juniors should have vests from the stocks we had here at school and they are for them to keep. Please ask your classroom teacher if your child does not have one.

WINTER TOURNAMENT

Please return the attached notice so that we can get organised for this event.

EDUCATION REVIEW OFFICE

Our external whole school review (by the Education Review Office) has been postponed until further notice. They are collecting information about schools responses to the Covid-19 lockdown. They will interview Judy Miller (BOT chair) and I via Zoom to gather this information. This information may be available to you later in the year.

THANK YOU TO BALANCE AGRI-NUTRIENTS

Our sincere thank you to Balance Agri-Nutrients who donated us a Prezzy Card. We have purchased a blue tooth speaker to use throughout the school.

CHAMPION WEST OTAGO FEMALE SWIMMER RUBY ANDERSON

Congratulations to Ruby on being the 2020 Champion West Otago swimmer (female) and for achieving at this level.

Her trophy has spent a long lockdown at the engravers so as soon as we reunite Ruby with her trophy, we will share a photo with you.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Please keep an eye out for this as we are sending it to all families again today. If you would prefer a paper copy then please contact school and we'll get one to you. The information you provide for us helps the BOT to set goals and plan for the future.

FAREWELL

Unfortunately we farewell two families this week – **Prue, Archie and Pippa McNaughton** and **Georgia and Ashton Laphorne**.

The McNaughton family are moving to Pukerau and the Laphorne's to Cromwell.

We wish Alastair and Heather, and Brad and Maree, and their children, all the very best for their move.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed 1 Jul	Learning Conferences, (2.00pm-7.30pm)
Fri 3 Jul	ERO Evaluation (Zoom), 10.00am
Fri 3 Jul	BOT/Staff Afternoon Tea, 4.00pm
Fri 3 Jul	Whole School Assembly, 2.30pm
Fri 3 Jul	Last Day T2
Mon 20 Jul	First Day T3
Thu 23 Jul	PTA AGM Meeting, 7.30pm Meeting Room
Fri 24 Jul	Ko Taku Reo Launch
Mon 27 Jul	Waste Free Wanda, Tapanui Community Centre TBC
Fri 31 Jul	Winter Tournament (Tapanui RFC), 9.00-2.00pm
Tue 4 Aug	WO Cross Country
Wed 13 Aug	BOT Meeting, 7.00pm

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Thank you to everyone involved in supporting Ronald McDonald House. We had a wonderful Mufti Day that was well supported by all students. Thank you to the families that were able to donate some non-perishable goods as well. Congratulations and thank you to Maree Laphorne who instigated this drive and supports this cause with motivation.





PTA NEWS

The PTA is intending to sell Croissants again, these are not only a great money earner, they are also really yummy! This is the 3rd year we have done them and they seem to sell really well. Many people are keen to have them in the freezer for calving and lambing. Sorry it's so soon after our last fundraiser, but Covid has stuffed up our planning! An order form will be emailed out later in the week, keep an eye out for it.

The Foodwrap and Beeswax Wraps have arrived. If you placed an order they will be named and in the school meeting room to pick up from 2pm this Wednesday – school interview day. If this doesn't suit please get in touch with Manja, Lynn or Jacinda. Thanks heaps to everyone who supported this, we made \$1572. Cheers to Jacinda for organizing, and Cindy for offering the Beeswax Wraps.

A big thankyou to those who donated baking/produce/cook books or money to the McKenzie Fundraiser last weekend, it sounds like they had a fantastic day and were really well supported. Pub raffles are starting up again in Term 3, the roster Melissa put out at the beginning of the year still applies. Thanks to all the families who do a night on this, it's much appreciated!

PTA AGM – Thursday 23rd July, 7.30pm in the school meeting room, this is the first week back at school. Hope to see lots of you there!

Cheers Manja and Lynn

**SOUTHLAND CRICKET
HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES**
6TH & 7TH JULY
MLT STADIUM, GORE
10AM-3PM
YR 1-YR 8 BOYS & GIRLS
\$30 PER DAY
TO BOOK A PLACE EMAIL JACK
EASTERN@SOUTHLANDCRICKET.CO.NZ

NETBALL
Eastern Southland

Junior Netball Programme

Wednesday afternoons - Term 3 2020 @
the MLT Event Centre.

Please register by following this link:
<https://www.sparty.co.nz/netball/easternsouth/FutureFERNs-1?em=0&ts=0.8667063832734656>

Alternatively you can check us out via
Facebook - Future Ferns Netball Gore

Boys and girls most welcome!