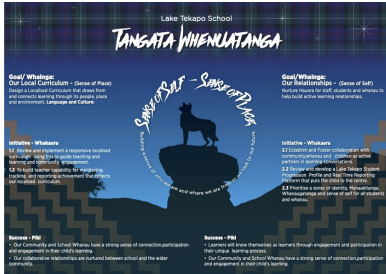




Tuesday 18th October

## School Charter 2022



As part of the School's annual plan, one of our ongoing initiatives has been the development of using a digital platform to report the children's learning in "real time". The staff have been undertaking Professional Development in localising the curriculum, with part of this ensuring that the classroom practice is being reflected in the many

opportunities that exist for our children. During the holidays you will have noticed these posts, highlighting the Speeches, Sprout, Skiing and Production as incredibly valuable assessment opportunities for our individual children. As a staff we have made a commitment to this and we are hoping that this practice becomes the "norm" when reporting the learning that is happening here at Lake Tekapo School. As you read, watch a video or look at a snapshot, please be aware that these will now be annotated with the criteria we as teachers are looking for when thinking about curriculum objectives, key competency development and 5 Ways to Wellbeing touchstones observed when learning. If you have any feedback, please feel free to discuss these with staff.

## Bull Tahrs Ice Hockey - Congratulations.



Last week Alex, Khuno, Lincoln, Elijah, Baxter and the Bull Tahr Under 12 Team went through to Christchurch for the New Zealand Under 12 Ice Hockey Nationals. Over the whole weekend we played against 18 teams in a round robin where we drew 3, lost 3, but won the rest. We were really happy and congratulated ourselves that we only lost 1-0 to the Auckland Lanterns who went on to win the whole tournament. Everyone was telling us that we needed to also watch out for the Auckland Bats which the final score ended up being 3-3. There were 6 different pools, from A- F and we were put into pool B. We found it strange that only pool A teams only had Auckland teams and in the end the Lanterns won the final 1-0 against the Auckland Captains. We ended up winning pool B which meant we came 5th overall, but also that we were the best Under 12 team south of Auckland. By

Lincoln, Khuno and Alex.

## South Island Cross Country Champs - Our Own Rocketman.



In the last week of school I went to Nelson for my South Island Cross Country Championships. I was picked for the South Canterbury team from the Cross Country at Waihi. It is the big day and running is here. Standing on the boggy mud, waiting for the starter to say "Go", he tells me to take my marks. I run as fast as I can, through the muddy ditch and up slippery hill because of the heavy rain in Nelson the few days before. One lap is down, ..... One more to go. I try and run even harder, but I tripped down the hill. I kept going as I passed 2 kids. Coming to the finish line I sprinted as hard as I can. I did it.... YES .....Finally.... I achieved my goal. I felt proud of myself and ended up coming about 17th out of the whole of the South Island. There were kids from all over the South Island and I hope to get to the champs again next year.

By Alex

## Kapa Haka - Monday 31st October Monday 14th, 28th November, Monday 12th December

Unfortunately the children missed Monday's Kapa Haka session with transport proving very difficult to organise. The value of this programme was reinforced however with a number of students inquiring as to why we were not going and voicing their unhappiness as to why staff were not taking their vehicles. This initiative is run through Arowhenua Marae and engages our children authentically with facilitators who offer professional development, not only to the children, but with the staff attending. As has been mentioned in previous newsletters, this initiative requires 3 cars for our senior children to be able to participate and while a staff vehicle is available on the Monday, we are hugely aware that we would like to alternate staff so that our teaching here at school can continue uninterrupted. If you are able to assist with transport on Monday 14th, 28th November and Monday 12th December, we would be hugely appreciative. As part of the review of this programme, the model currently being used will change to ensure travel is equitable across all the schools in the Mackenzie. We are completely acknowledging of the busy nature and cost of living expenses and we would like to thank the parents that have supported Kapa Haka Transport in the past.

## NZ Uniforms



New Zealand Uniforms has moved to Timaru and our new contact is Gemma Le Brun who is now the account manager for the lower half of the South Island. If you require more uniforms please contact [www.nzuniforms.com](http://www.nzuniforms.com) or visit them at 151a Hilton Highway, Washdyke.

**Sunhats:** With Term 4 we require the children to be wearing sunhats. Can you please ensure your child(ren) have a clean named washed brimmed hat for the summer ahead. Please no caps.

## Swimming Season

The opening of the school pool is underway with Nigel Frost kindly putting his hand up to get the pool operational and to maintain this over the season. The clean and levels will take some time and as the opening date becomes known we will let you know as soon as possible.



With the summer season approaching it's time to think about swimming lessons again.

Penny has limited spaces available for swimming lessons on Wednesday afternoons at Tekapo Springs. If parents are interested, please contact me 021 023 22741 or by email [penny@tekapowellness.com](mailto:penny@tekapowellness.com) For those with older kids wanting longer lengths, Fairlie Swimming are offering lessons on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon's in Fairlie starting in November. For those Level 5 or above, the swimming club in Fairlie also offers swim sessions and coaching.

## Top Teams - Transport Required - Thursday 3rd November - Fairlie



Top Team is coming to South Canterbury!! This year we have been fortunate enough to push it back a wee bit so that dates fall more into November in the hopes that the weather may be a little bit warmer!!

Top Team is a series of fun interactive, team building and problem solving activities designed to get your students working together all while being active and having fun! Top Team is a great tool to support your curriculum when looking at leadership and cooperation. (Yr 3-8)

If you have not seen it in action before, here is a video to give you some insight into the fun filled day! <https://vimeo.com/168591882>



Our school has been working with SchoolDocs for our policies and procedures. The school works on a subscription basis with SchoolDocs to maintain, update, and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies, which have been well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our charter, and procedures for behaviour

management, reporting to parents, etc. SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. We invite you to visit the site at <https://tekapo.schooldocs.co.nz> (note that there's no "www."). Our username is "tekapo" and password "aorangi".

## Dates and Planning for Term 4:

Monday 24th October	Labour Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
Friday 28th October	Te Aitarakahi Student Day.
Monday 31st October	Kapa Haka
Tuesday 1st November	School Photographs
Thursday 3rd November	Top Teams - Transport Required.
Tuesday 8th November	Education Review Office Visit.
Friday 11th November	South Canterbury Anniversary - SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 14th November	Kapa Haka
Tuesday 22nd November	Mackenzie Athletics Day
Monday 28th November	Kapa Haka - Postponement Athletics / Leave (Simon & Maria)
Monday 12th December	Kapa Haka
Thursday 15th December	Last Day of Term



# Transport - Macaulay Room

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Kapa Haka

I can assist with Transport to and from Fairlie for Kapa Haka on the following dates: Please tick the dates you are available to help and the number of passengers.

Number of Kids

☐ Monday 31st October \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Monday 14th November \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Monday 28th November \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Monday 12th December, \_\_\_\_\_

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