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Dear Parents / Caregivers,

### Thank You:



On behalf of our parent stakeholders and the staff, we would like to thank Mr Isaac Wilson and Bridget Story for their commitment and support in their time on our School Board of Trustees. The school is under no illusion that this governance role is so incredibly important as it sets the direction of the school and allows the voice of our parents to be represented at the table. The Board of Trustees has certainly had to navigate tricky times over the recent few years, with the Community Pool completion, building projects, field projects, changes in legislation and of course COVID 19. In amongst this, teaching and learning has always been a priority and the school

environment and resources are testament to the thinking and planning that has gone into "our place". The environment that has been created is a huge reflection of the time and forethought and as a staff, we hope that you both get the chance to stand back and look at a job well done. The Board of Trustees will meet this week for the Board changeover and we will introduce our new parent representatives in our next newsletter. Thank you Isaac and Bridget.

## **Speech Competition:**







The Speech and Poetry competition this year was hugely successful after a late run into the writing of these. As said, thank you for the parental support of these and for the focussed preparation which enabled us to meet timeframes. The Staff would like to sincerely thank Julie McDonald and Anna Roseingrave who were our judges on the day, for their involvement and adjudication. It needs to be said, what seems relatively easy, becomes incredibly difficult when making decisions on behalf of the staff and children. A big thank you to Jane Paton for the judging of the Poetry. The results were:

### **Macaulay Speeches:**

**Godley Poetry** 

1st Munro Kerr

1st = Mackenzie Gendall / Colton Tocker

2nd Ben Murray

3rd = Alex Story / Lincoln Tocker

In keeping with the year that it is, we had a twist in the tail with Munro Kerr unfortunately being unable to compete at the Mackenzie Speech Competition. Ben Murray certainly stepped up to the plate and received 1st place in Albury, which he again delivered in Timaru at the Lions Competition. It is incredibly pleasing observing our kids successes and support of each other, with our four boys, Munro, Ben, Alex and Lincoln supporting each other through the process. A great effort.

## Round Hill - Ski Race Day





A massive thank you to the Roundhill Ski Team for the organisation and "hands on" help for our first Ski Race in a couple of years. An important thank you must also go to Maria Roche, Jane Paton and Angela Marshall for the consistent organisation over the six weeks with the skiing as a

whole. This does take time to get right, and is reliant on our parent's commitment to the programme, which has been brilliant this season. Just a reminder that individual families costs will be sent out after our last session and a reminder that the school does subsidise the lessons over the six weeks to keep these costs to a minimum. The school and Roundhill would like to acknowledge Mila Jeffries for the oversight of her placing on the day. Mila unfortunately was missed when recording times and this has since been rectified. Mila has been recorded as first equal.

Our School Results from the Ski Race Day were as follows with only points of a second determining places.

lst Place	2nd Place		3rd Place
Yr 0/2 Quinn Jeffries	Yr O/2 Aiden Yang	Yr 0/2	Ollie Murphy
Yr 3/4 Mila Jeffries	Yr 5/6 Zeana Tayem	Yr 3/.4	Oscar Murphy
Yr 5/6 Ben Murray			

## Local Curriculum - Our Presentation for our Community



The children did a tremendous job presenting our Sprout Initiative to Binns Property Works last week and recognising the contribution that Sharron Binns and her team have contributed to our school. This Presentation has been included as part of our application to the Lake Tekapo Lions for the funding of our Outdoor Space and the children will get the opportunity to repeat the presentation tomorrow. This has been a valuable exercise to follow up the speeches

with many of the same skills and techniques crossing over to the presentation skills required to get our messaging across. Good luck kids for tomorrow.

## South Canterbury Swimming Championship

Congratulations to Munro Kerr who represented Lake Tekapo School at the South Canterbury Swimming Champs held in Timaru. This event had been postponed a number of times and held at a time when swimming training has been made difficult. Congratulations Munro on these tremendous results.

100m Free	50m Free	100 I.M	50 Back	25m Fly
3rd place	3rd Place	3rd Place	2nd Place	3rd Place

### **Acknowledgements:**

If your children have successes outside of school, it would be wonderful to recognise these and celebrate them in our newsletter.

### Parent Interviews:

Thank you to all the parents that attended the Parent / Teacher Interviews last week and gave feedback about their child(ren)'s progress and written reports. It is always good as a staff to have the time to discuss individual children and to receive feedback about how the kids are tracking and their feelings about school with the lens from home. As a staff we do enjoy the face to face interaction and having the ability to talk through both the positives and negatives associated with individuals learning.

### School Production - "Let All the Children Boogie - A Tribute to David Bowie".

As with each production we have tracked the learning areas that Production covers with regards to the children's learning. We will have this prepared for the performance for your perusal. The children have been going gang-busters and continue to have plenty of ideas and enthusiasm for their roles.



## Production, Speeches and Presentations allow our children to understand the concept of "Empathy".

Being on stage gives children the opportunity to rehearse roles, characters and consider real life situations. Children get to explore characters, and also learn how to express themselves through looking and being a different person on stage.

### Production, Speeches and Presentations builds confidence.

Even the shyest of children benefit from experiencing being on stage. Being able to interact with the group, speak independently, express opinions and ideas, and present themselves up on stage builds confidence that we as adults often shy away from.

## Production, Speeches and Presentations develops communication and presentation skills.

Through learning new songs and scripted lines for a show, the children get to showcase the skills of Literacy. Areas such as vocabulary, expression and body language all work together to assist in creating and making meaning.

## Production, Speeches and Presentations encourages and develops creativity.

By allowing creativity children are able to view problems and opportunities in different ways. Production showcases different perspectives, it allows children to think on their feet and generate new ideas through Participating and Contributing, Relating to Others and Managing Self.

# Production, Speeches and Presentations encourage critical thinking, decision making and problem solving.

Instead of being taught and told what to think and feel, being on stage means children need to trust their instincts and respond at the time. There is nowhere to hide.

#### Production, Speeches and Presentations assists with concentration.

In every session children are encouraged to listen, participate and allow others moments to shine by taking turns. It means children must look and wait for cues by working together towards performance night.

#### Production, Speeches and Presentations encourages teamwork and cooperation.

The children need to work as a team by respecting and supporting different roles while also encouraging each other. Preparation requires cooperation, resilience and teamwork to bring the ideas together.

### Production, Speeches and Presentations allows for physical development.

Children get to know about movement, space and control and learn that by practising over time, skills and mastery become evident.

### Production, Speeches and Presentations nurture positive friendships.

New friendships develop through getting to know other children in different settings. Young children and senior children having the opportunity to work together with a shared goal brings friendships together.

### **Education Review Office:**

I will be meeting my Expert Partner tomorrow to begin the Education Review Process. Mr Shane Morrow will work with us over the next 3 years ensuing that we are working with and aligning to the expectation of new legislation and implementing the new framework. As said in our last newsletter, this is a different approach from the past where the ERO team visited over a 3 day period. We welcome Shane to the Lake Tekapo team and we look forward to working with him.

## Transport Required for Kapa Haka Term 3



The pick up for transport on Monday for Kapa Haka has been wonderful and as has been stated previously, this is allowing us the opportunity to meet with the other schools in our Mackenzie Kahui Ako to share and promote this incredibly valuable initiative across the area. If you are able to assist with transport fortnightly for Kapa Haka, can you please let Jane know in the office. **We will need Transport for this Monday** and if you have offered last term, can you please confirm with Jane before Friday, 3:00pm.

## Dates and Planning for Term 3:

Monday 12th September Kapa Haka

Tuesday 6th September Lake Tekapo Lions Sprout Presentation

Tuesday 6th September ERO Visit

Wednesday 7th September Kahui Ako Meeting at School / Board of Trustees Meeting

Saturday 17th September Race Tekapo - Fundraising

Tuesday 20th / Friday 23rd Maria Full Time Teaching - Simon Professional Development

Monday 26th September South Canterbury Day - **School Closed** 

Wednesday 28th September Dress Rehearsal - 11:30am Community Hall

Thursday 29th September Production - 6:00pm

Friday 30th September Last Day of Term - Mufti Day

Monday 17th October First Day Term 4 - Kapa Haka - Transport Required.