

Appointment Update:

The school is still working through the appointment process for the Junior room. We are lucky to have secured Angela Marshall for this role in the immediate future and this has meant that we are in a good place to secure the best candidate for this important position. The school is very aware of keeping continuity for the children and their best interests. More information will follow once we have confirmed and consulted with our Recruitment agency.

Wellbeing Workshop - Year 5/6 Student Voice - Kahui Ako Feedback

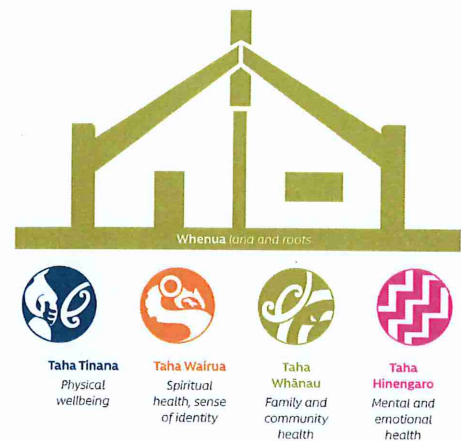


As part of our Te Manahuna Kahui Ako we are wanting to capture how students feel about school and their own wellbeing. This is really interesting work with children across the Mackenzie schools sharing and talking openly about school and how they feel supported. Children have a great gift at summarising their understanding and putting this

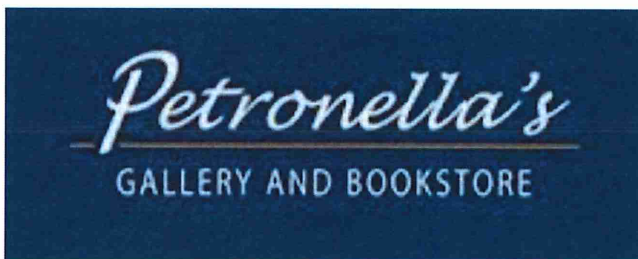
into their own words. We as a group of schools will collate this information and work at making sure we respond in kind.

A sample of Lake Tekapo School's Student Voice:

- "Everyone is a part of it".
- "The people at this school make everything fun, including Maths"
- "We get involved with the community"
- "If you need help, people will help and listen to you"
- "We take the time to calm down"
- "Gives us opportunities and lets us be us"
- "Having teachers that care about our learning"
- "No matter how different you are, you fit in"
- "People encouraging new students"
- "The pretty cool vibe at the school in Tekapo"
- "Cares and treats everyone equally"



Bronwyn, the Bookathon and Petronella's



Thank you to Bronwyn Williams from the Mackenzie College Community Library for calling in and sharing and donating more books to our school library. The kids love the shared reading and the character that you bring.

This term the children have been writing book reviews for Wilma at Petronella's Bookstore. We are endeavouring to make this a regular activity for the children and currently we have Fletcher Berge and Lucy Monk's on display in the store. This fits all nicely with the current Bookathon for the next 3 months and the staff would love parents to encourage and support this reading activity, especially over the winter months. Congratulations to Lucy and Johnny Monk who were the recipients of our Petronella vouchers for June.

Matariki and The Dark Sky Project:



Tutepourangi and Mikey from The Dark Sky Project visited school last Friday to introduce and explain the meaning of the different Whetu of Matariki. The children have followed up this mahi with work of their own where they have created stick stars and made wishes, plate stars and written about the importance of this time. The main theme of Matariki being remembrance, celebrating the present and looking to the future. This years Matariki celebrations and workshops can be found at <https://matarikimackenzie.co.nz/pages/festival-programme-2023>

School Reports

The staff will be writing school reports during the holiday break and these will go out in the first week back. These reports will form the basis of discussion for Parent Interviews later in Term 3.

Last Few Days - A Nice Positive End to Term 2:



It always happens with the end of the term looming, that children feel relaxed, focussed and ironically demonstrating independence. We are absolutely loving having Jasmine and Emma from the Lake Tekapo Kindergarten sharing the joy and the Gymnastics initiative organised through Natasha Boyd has been brilliant. It is great seeing the Kindergarten children on site with Lucile who has been teaching gymnastics for all the ages. We are looking forward to working closely with the Lake Tekapo Kindergarten during Term 3 as we work towards further alignment towards our local kura.

We've had plenty of support and enjoyment over the term and we would like to thank all of those that have contributed to the learning that has happened throughout the term. Thank you to Jane, Maria and Angela throughout the term and to Stewie Inch who is fast becoming our 5th Wheel on staff. Keep keeping us honest.



Stewie and The Lions



The Kids in fine form.



Our Muffin Makers and Jane



Our Apple Crumble Makers



Chris W keeping the beat.



Our Choral Performance

Race Tekapo - Saturday 16th September.



"Join us in Lake Tekapo on the 16th of September for Race Tekapo. There is a 10% discount for Mackenzie District locals who wish to enter. You can contact support@scenicsports.net to request the discount code. If anyone has already entered they can contact us and we will refund them the difference in entry price. We hope you come and join in on the fun this spring!"

Upcoming Dates:

Monday 17th July

First Day Term 3

Tuesday 18th July

Public Health Nurse Visit