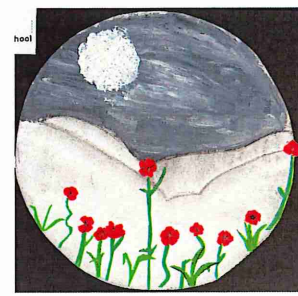


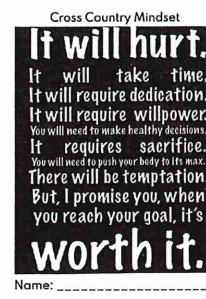
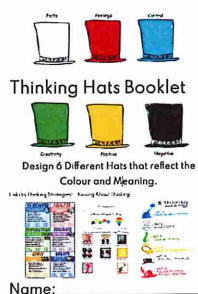
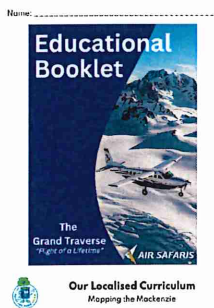


Friday 16th May

Kids Beaving - A&P Show Art

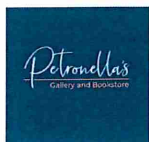


We received some great news on returning to school that our group of kids won the \$50 award for claiming the most prizes for their artwork at the Fairlie Show. The children had a great term, as evidenced by their assembly and we are looking forward to continuing this good work during Term 2. This Term we are focused on continuing with the "Thinking" theme revisiting the De Bono Six Hats and also studying the local geography and glacial formations in line with our Air Safaris Opportunity later in the term. This week we will begin our Digital Citizenship work and this will be captured in Term 3 with the planning of a Parent Evening around Digital Safety and Internet usage. Staff have been busy creating resources for this to happen as part of our Local Curriculum and please ask your child(ren) about these as they have been designed to act as home learning, linking their work from school to home. With Cross Country happening, the children will be writing about experiences and mindset, as well as training when the opportunity arises. Please consider this with regards to fatigue and tiredness in the children, with winter sports and illness needing to be monitored. Thank you to the parents that have offered transport for the day of Friday 30th May in Cannington.



The Southern Alps De Bono Thinking Hats Sprout Reviews Digital Citizenship Mindset

A massive thank you to the many local businesses who support our children's learning and continue to work with us as a school as we endeavour to establish a curriculum that celebrates our Sense of Place and Sense of Self. These resources take time to create, but allow us the opportunity to localise our curriculum,





Home & School Group

As a board, we are excited to establish a Home & School group for Tekapo School. This group will consist of parents and guardians who actively work together to support the school community and enhance the resources, opportunities, and equipment available for our children. The primary focus will be fostering community relations, organising social events, and fundraising to support school programs, such as the upcoming camp and skiing trips.

If you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to Amy Richardson or the school office. We will have a meeting at a time best suited to everyone in the next few weeks. Thanks!

Respond Don't React Writing

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Don't let reactions make you lose your power to respond. If you react the other people, they might get really hostile, so you respond in a nice way. You should learn to respond because you can use it in the best of times. You can use "Responding" when you're in a bad spot. When you respond you get more passion for what you like. If you react you will get bullied for your passion and you won't have anything fun to do. You should stick to your passion and not let others take that away. If you do ever get really bad comments, walk away and ignore them, then tell a parent. When you react the first idea is not always a good idea because it might not be what you need to say. When you are in a bad place it is better to respond or you will get into negative debating.

😊 ✓ RESPOND DON'T REACT ❌ 😡

You see, if you react that just shows you don't care and you think you're better than everyone else around you, but really you're not, however if you respond it shows you care and understand.

For example, you keep getting texts, if you respond you give it a day or two to think about, what it could mean and how to respond, but if you react you just text the first thing that comes to mind. Just envision a perfect world where everyone cared and responded, it looks amazing, so amazing in fact we can make this world if everyone responded and cared.

It's like if someone is making fun of you, they might have something going on at home, give them a break, don't react, hit them with kindness. If they say "You are not good enough" you could say back "You are good enough", or "I would like to be your friend, when you're ready you know where to find me".

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RESPOND DON'T REACT!!!!!!

RESPONDING is answering back..... with thinking REACTING is answering back quickly without thinking! RESPONDING is positive, REACTING is negative. 2 different things, 2 different words, 2 different meanings and 2 different actions!!!!. When you react to a person's negative comments or actions in an angry overly emotional or unfriendly way, then you're giving that person your power!!over you! If that person can get something out of you that they can control, then you're no longer in control. If you take a BREATH to relax, then you can RESPOND to the situation in a calm, healthy and honest way. Your POWER will be back in control. You're not allowing anyone to take your power away, or to invoke a reaction from you. But unfortunately there are certain people who want nothing more than to make you look bad by provoking you to react in a hostile or aggressive manner. You can stop this by responding to the situation!!!!.

Mackenzie Schools Cross Country - Friday 30th May - Cannington School

We are now starting training for the upcoming Cross Country at Cannington School. Please ensure that your child/ren bring appropriate footwear each day, as we will be starting training for this.

TRANSPORT: Please complete the following Google link to the transport form for this event: [2025 Cross Country Transport](#) Please hit the SUBMIT button once you have completed all details. **Forms need to be completed by Friday, 23rd May.** If you have issues with the form, please let Jane in the office know.

Reporting to Parents and Whanau

Statement from the Ministry of Education to Support Schools with Reporting to Parents



As part of our focus on lifting student achievement we have introduced new, knowledge-rich and internationally-comparable curriculum this year for Maths in Years 0–8 and English in Years 0–6, and Te Reo Rangatira Years 0-6 and Pāngarau Years 0-8 wāhanga ako.

This means we are currently changing from the old to the new curriculum. We want to acknowledge that schools and kura will only have been using the new curricula from the start of 2025, which includes new teaching and assessment methods and content.

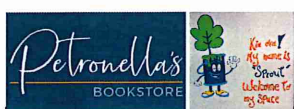
Because of this you could see a change in your child's progress or achievement compared to previous years which may be the result of changes in the curriculum expectations for your child's year level. If you have concerns or questions about your child's achievement, we strongly suggest you talk with your child's teacher or kaiako. They will also have used their own observations, classroom tasks and other tests to report on the progress your child is making.



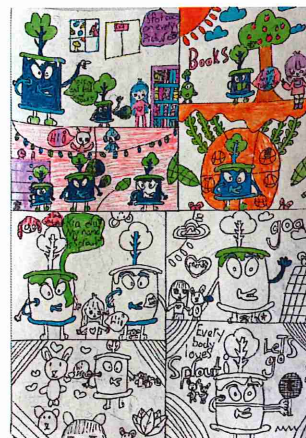
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Over recent months the narrative around education has been unmistakably grim towards the profession. There has been a huge influx of information and change and this has large implications for how we operate and what we deliver in terms of curriculum. Lake Tekapo School staff are working through the Ministry mandated Professional Learning in Structured Literacy and Mathematics, while also unpacking and reviewing both the English and Mathematics Curriculum Statements and Assessment and Reporting requirements. As a small, rural school we remain committed to working in an informed manner in the hope of finding some balance between the rhetoric and the realities of our classrooms. As we have multi-level classrooms we rely heavily on our parent stakeholders to share this responsibility, with the aim of working beside whanau in the achievement and progress of your child(ren).

Sprout Art Competition



Sprout Art Competition



Petronella's have set up a children's Sprout book area up stairs at the local bookshop and have asked the children to create some artwork for display. The children are part way through these artworks and we look forward to the completed pieces and good luck to the children entering for the \$30 voucher.

School Uniform

We are noticing the school uniform is still a little bit hit and miss with some students not having the right items of uniform, school hats, shorts and appropriate footwear. Can we please ensure that your child(ren) are in the correct uniform and have brought the items to school they need for the day or have been requested to bring. Information regarding the school uniform can be found on the school's website. The NZ Uniform shop is located at Washdyke, Timaru and stocks all uniform requirements for Lake Tekapo School.

Attendance

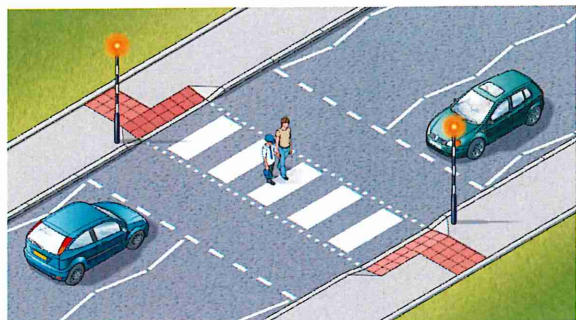
Please let Jane in the office know by text - 027-374 8734, email - office@tekapo.school.nz by 9.15am each day that your child will be absent from school.

- Also include the reason for the absence e.g. sick, doctor's appointment, tangi etc. We are no longer able to accept a lack of reason for the absence and are required to follow-up.
- Unless the absence is for a set period of time that you have notified us of (e.g. funeral for 3 days) please let us know each day that your child will be absent. This is for safety reasons, so we know where your child is and not missing on the way to school. Just a text, email or phone call to say, "Still sick" is fine.

Mackenzie Toy Library Fundraiser



Safety Crossing Aorangi Crescent

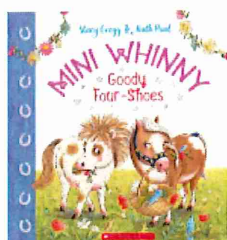
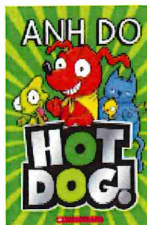
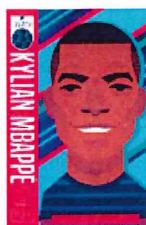
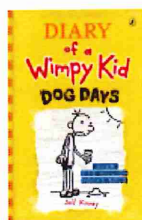
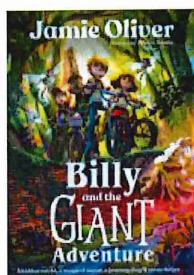
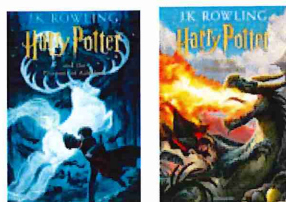


Over the last few newsletters we have mentioned safety to and from School. Staff are being vigilant about the school crossing with noticing an increase in the number of drivers failing to stop at the school pedestrian crossing. We are also noticing that some parents are not using the pedestrian crossing and even calling their children over. Staff are at the crossing at the end of everyday to ensure that safety is our main priority. The School has contacted the District Council regarding the volume and speed past our school, and once we have more information we will pass this on regarding next steps.



WEDNESDAY
12 MARCH 2025

SPROUTBOOK CLUB



Harry Potter & the Prisoner of Azkaban / J.K. Rowling

In Harry's 3rd year of Hogwarts, a prisoner named Sirius Black, escapes the wizard prison of Azkaban, which no one has ever done before. Is Harry in mortal danger? Will he survive? Read the book to find out more. 5/5

Harry Potter & the Goblet of Fire / J.K. Rowling

Reviewed by two club members. When the Triwizard tournament is played at Hogwarts, Harry's name mysteriously comes out of the Goblet of Fire even though there is an age limit. He has to complete three tasks and compete against three other schools. Does he win and survive? 5/5

Billy and the Giant Adventure / Jamie Oliver

I was surprised that Jamie Oliver has a book that he wrote but I love the idea of the book. There is a magical world in Waterfall Woods. I especially like the recipe on the last few pages. Try the recipe, it is totally amazing! 5/5

Fantail, Fantail / Margaret Mahy

Good picture book that talks about farm safety. Shows how dangerous being on a farm can be with the big machines. The author wrote this book because her husband died in a farm accident. 4/5

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Book 4: Dog Days / Jeff Kinney

It is funny and shows his family getting a new pet. Greg wants to stay inside and play video games but his mum wants him to go outside. 5/5

Kyllan Mbappe / Ed Hawkins

Tells you about his life and why he is so good at football. Mbappe is from Paris, in France. He is the captain of the French National Team. He plays forward for La Liga Club, Real Madrid. I find reading hard, but really enjoyed this book 5/5.

Hot Dog / Anh Do

It taught me that you should never give up. It is about friendship. At the start of the book the bird falls onto the dog's friend. For the rest of the book they are trying to find the mum of the bird. I found it funny and a good level for me to read. 5/5

Mini Whinny: Goody Four-Shoes / Stacy Gregg & Ruth Paul

It's a great story if you like horses and a good book if you are learning to read. This book is about friendship and how you might not like them at first but then you get to know them and you become friends. 5/5

Next Book Club Wednesday 21st May 2025 2pm

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Upcoming Dates:

Friday 30th May	MacKenzie Schools Cross Country @ Cannington School
Monday 2nd June	Kings Birthday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 10th June	SCPSSA Cross Country
Friday 20th June	Matariki - SCHOOL CLOSED
Friday 27th June	End of Term 2
Monday 14th July	Start of Term 3