



## Lake Tekapo School

Wednesday 30th March

Dear Parents / Caregivers,



There is a lot happening behind the scenes at Lake Tekapo School with good people supporting and ensuring that our children get the best of both their learning environment and opportunity while here at our small school. With the internal school building nearing completion, the focus has turned to making sure that the spaces available to us are being utilised to their full potential. The Lake Tekapo School Board of Trustees are working incredibly hard to plan and implement initiatives that enhance the children's learning and we are so incredibly fortunate to have recently received funding and support through local clubs, providers and businesses. As you will be aware funding and fundraising are vital in making these plans come to fruition and the School would like to thank the Lake Tekapo Lions, Genesis Energy and Foodstuffs for the generous contributions that they have made towards the school sandpit and Sprout environmental area.



### FIVE WAYS TO WELLBEING



TALK & LISTEN,  
BE THERE,  
FEEL CONNECTED



Your time,  
your words,  
your presence



REMEMBER  
THE SIMPLE  
THINGS THAT  
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW  
EXPERIENCES,  
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,  
SURPRISE YOURSELF



DO WHAT YOU CAN,  
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,  
MOVE YOUR BODY

### Project: Lake Tekapo School Outdoor Learning Space

Grants Received:

Genesis Energy	\$5000.00
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Lake Tekapo Lions	\$5000.00
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Foodstuffs	\$8350.00
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Summer Challenge Fundraiser	\$2000.00
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\$20,350.00

The school would like to thank community with Callum McDonald and Walter Speck helping out last weekend at the Summer Challenge and the parent group of Casey, Amanda, Sam, Steve, Matt, Kathryn, and Judith, with Kerryn taking on the organisation and involvement on the day. We are so incredibly lucky with the support that we have and the environment that is being created is only possible with the help and involvement of our stakeholders. Thank you.



### Permanent Teaching Appointment for Godley:

The Lake Tekapo School Board of Trustees would like to announce the appointment of Angela Marshall as the Permanent Scale A Junior Teacher in the Godley room. The calibre of applicants was very high and we are incredibly fortunate to have Angela join us and our small staff. A big thank you to Alison Brierley, from the Lake Tekapo Kindergarten, who helped in the

appointment process in support of the Lake Tekapo Board of Trustees. Angela brings with her an immense amount of experience in junior teaching and with her broader Principalship experience offers this teaching position and the school huge value. We are delighted to have Angela as a permanent member of our staff and all that she brings to our school. For a small school, this process is hugely important and we are looking forward to working with Angela after what has been an incredibly testing last few months.

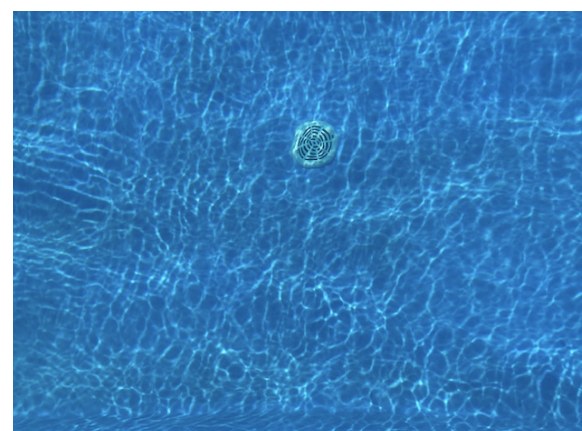
## COVID 19 Update:

Thank you for your response to date concerning Omicron and keeping children at home if they are feeling unwell. This has been appreciated by the staff and school with the Health and Wellbeing for our children, staff and community being a top priority. We received news last night that one staff member has been identified as a household contact and therefore will be self isolating over the next seven days. This is an inevitability, with one of the biggest challenges for us ensuring that we have enough staff on-site at school, especially with the common colds and isolation requirements of household contacts. It is important to note that legally we must have two staff members on-site at all times, regardless of the number of children on site, to remain open.

## Winter Wonderland Initiative:

In keeping with the Localised theme, in our last newsletter we added the flyer regarding the celebration and promotion of our small town. This package has been worked through with the generous support of our local providers, so that would-be families can enjoy the attractions and environment of a small, alpine town. This also means that we will get the opportunity to showcase our small rural school.

If you are able to assist us with this very positive initiative, please feel free to forward the attached flyer to family and friends in the hope of generating interest for our town.



## Swimming Pool Thank you:

The children and staff are so incredibly lucky to have Mr Nigel Frost calling into school each day to ensure that our school pool is tested and cleaned. Thank you massively. We have had an absolute sensational summer with the kids still swimming and making the most of why this asset was upgraded. The “water confidence” is growing with each swim and the feedback from the kids is worth every cent.

## Communication:

The staff are incredibly aware that the last few months have been difficult for everyone with regards to being on site at school and losing the ability to have the morning and afternoon conversation. A lot is achieved through this and we are really looking forward to getting back to the good, old days when this is allowed. If you have messages for the school, could you please use the School Phone number **027 374 8734** rather than staff's personal phones as these sometimes don't get picked up during school or staff are away from site.



## Drink Bottles Please:

We are still noticing that children are using school cups, rather than their own personal drink bottle. Please ensure that your child(ren) have their own, named drink bottle for class and break time.

## LJ Hooker Colouring Competition:

Completed Work and Forms to be handed in by Monday 18th April 2022. Winners will be announced on Wednesday 20th April, 2022.



**Easter**  
Children's Colouring Competition  
**WIN a LJ Hooker Surprise Hamper**  
3 Age Groups 3 Prizes

Contestant Details  
Name  Age

Parent/Guardian Details  
Name  Phone

email Address

**Terms and Conditions**  
This promotion is subject to Terms and Conditions. Information on how to enter this competition forms part of the terms and conditions of entry. Entry into this competition is deemed to be an acceptance of these conditions. To enter, entrants should colour in the reverse side of this entry and complete all details on the form including name of parent/guardian, contact number and email address. Once complete please either post or drop off your completed entry in person to:  
LJ Hooker Lake Tekapo, 16 Rapuwai Lane, Lake Tekapo (PO Box 197, Lake Tekapo, 7945) or hand your completed work of art in to the host where you received your entry form. Completed forms must be handed in before **Monday 18th April 2022**. Winners will be announced on **Wednesday 20th April 2022**.

Please be sure to specify the contestant age as there are 3 prizes, 1 for each age group:  
1) 5 years and under  
2) 6 years – 8 years  
3) 9 years – 12 years

**Happy Easter and Happy Colouring**

**LJ Hooker**  
Lake Tekapo

**MACKENZIE COUNTRY**  
Licensed Real Estate Agents (REAA 2008)

Please hand in to:

- LJ Hooker, Lake Tekapo, 16 Rapuwai Lane, P.O.Box 197, Lake Tekapo 7945

## Upcoming Dates:

- Mufti Day - Friday 1st April - Gold Coin Donation
- Kapa Haka (Senior Children) - Monday 11th April.
- End of Term One - Thursday 14th April - End of Term Assembly (TBC)
- Term Two Begins - Monday 2nd May

