

## Edition: No 15, Thursday 27 May 2021

Tēnā koutou and Welcome

This week we have messages from:

- Student Leaders
- Our Principal, Kate Staniford
- Madeleine Hawkesby (Commissioner).

We have messages about:

- Upcoming Events
- TAS Board of Trustees By-Election Results
- Southern Area Schools Tournament
- Payment of Accounts
- Star Students
- Student Activities
- Pink shirt day
- DOC visit
- Rock Climbing Club
- Firewood Raffle
- Hike For Hillary
- Snow Club Sports Sale
- Ice Cream containers needed
- Gumboot day

### Kia Ora everyone

It certainly feels like we are living in Antarctica, so remember to wrap up warm especially when travelling to and from school. We had 30 students travel to Roxburgh last week to compete in the Southern Area Schools tournament. Well done to all the students who were picked for the National Area Schools tournament which is taking place in Dunners this coming holidays! Remember to wear your gumboots tomorrow and bring a gold coin as it is Gumboot Friday, it's a super important cause to support as they provide free counselling for children who are struggling.

On Monday, four Year 13 students got to experience Uni life at the University of Otago Open Day. Big thanks to Mrs and Mr O'Carroll for taking us down, it was certainly worthwhile!

Have a great rest of your week!

Ryan Nelson and Amie MacLennan Student Leaders

### <u>From our Principal</u>

Kia ora e te whanau,

#### \*\*Gumboot Friday is coming up - gold coin donation for 'I am Hope' if you come in gumboots or in your own clothes - thanks to Mackenzie Dunnicliff for organising!\*\*

I'm pleased to announce our new Board of Trustees Members as Sharon Blanchard, Debbie Brough, Nicola Graham, Bevan Newlands, Joy Paterson, Daniel Hunter (Student Representative) and Michele O'Carroll (Staff Representative). Thank you to everyone who put their name forward, and to everyone who cast a vote. Your support is very much appreciated. Our introductory meeting is on the evening of May 26th, followed by training on Friday and Saturday. We'll start our regular cycle of meetings in June. As I am writing this, it is Madeleine Hawkesby's last day as commissioner at Twizel Area School - I'd like to pass on my thanks to her for her support of the school. It will be sad to see her go, but at the same time, reflective of the strength of the school and community in returning to self-governance so quickly. I had the pleasure of joining our Tournament Team in Roxburgh last week - I was struck by

their excellent team work, support of others and their determination to strive for their best performance. Our teams were rewarded with fabulous results, and ultimately with the selection of 12 students for the national tournament. Congratulations to all involved, and thank you to the staff for their support and planning.





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Throughout the week we have enjoyed the company of Constable Froud from NZ Police. She has been working with our Year 1-8 students delivering the 'Keeping Ourselves Safe' programme. Our teachers will continue with the lessons after her departure. Thank you to the parents who attended the information session.



Next week, we look forward to the Kahui Ako Debate Teams competing in Cromwell and the Sheilah Winn competitors departing for the National Competition in Wellington good luck to all!

He waka eke noa, Kate Staniford, Principal

### Upcoming Events

Friday 28 May - Gumboot Friday Uniform-Free Day - Gold Coin Donation please Friday 28 May - Junior assembly 2.30pm Theatre Thursday 3 - 8 June - Sheilah Winn Drama Students in Wellington Friday 4 June - Debating teams competing in Cromwell Monday 7 June - Queen's Birthday weekend - No School Tuesday 8 June - Support Staff Day Thursday 10 June - Friday 11 June - Years 1-13 Student Learning (Three Way) Conferences Friday 11 June - No classes held Tuesday 6, 7, 8 July - School production Friday 9 July - End of Term Two Monday 26 July - Beginning of Term 3

#### **Twizel Area School Board of Trustees By-Election Results Parent Representative votes:** Name Votes Sharon BLANCHARD 98 **Bjorn BOHMERT** 45 Michael BORICK 58 Debbie BROUGH 76 Nicola GRAHAM 64 **Bevan NEWLANDS** 114 Joy PATERSON 63 Melanie SCHAUER 58 Invalid Votes 0

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Sharon Blanchard Debbie Brough Nicola Graham Bevan Newlands Joy Paterson

## **Student Representative votes:**

Name	Votes
Daniel HUNTER	52
Jack McLELLAN	6
Invalid Votes	2

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Daniel Hunter

## **Declaration of Staff By-Election Results**

At the close of nominations, as there was only one valid nomination received, I hereby declare:

Michele O'Carroll duly elected

Signed Maria McDonald Returning Officer 25 May 2021



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#### From our outgoing Commissioner

Tēnā koutou parents, caregivers and whanau

Tuesday was my last official day as Commissioner at Twizel Area School. As you know a new Board has been elected. It is an impressive line up and I am fully confident in the ability of the new Board to provide excellent governance to the school.

Mrs Staniford and I are working to ensure that the new Board is set up for success. They have school emails and access to a shared drive with all the relevant Board information. I met with the new Board on Wednesday evening along with Grant Ritchie and Gary Williams from the Ministry of Education. Joy Paterson was elected as Presiding Member (Chair) and I completed a handover to the Presiding Member on Thursday. The Board will be attending training on school governance on Friday and Saturday with Cleave Hay.

I will make myself available to the Board for any questions (if need be), however my real aim will be to just get out of the way and let them get on with it.

I would like to thank the staff and school community for your commitment to the school over this period of change. I would also like to thank you for making me feel so welcome. I have enjoyed getting to know you and I have certainly enjoyed the beautiful countryside you live in.

It has been a privilege to serve this community and I wish you all the best in the future. Aim high and seek the treasure.

Ko te pae tawhiti whaia kia tata, ko te pae tata, whakamana kia tina.

Pursue distant horizons so they may be close, and secure near horizons so that they are fastened.

Kind regards Madeleine Hawkesby



#### Southern Area Schools Tournament



Roxburgh Area School hosted students from Twizel, The Catlins, Maniototo, Waiau and Lawrence Area Schools last Wednesday -Friday. A great time was had by all participants. Twizel Area School results were

Basketball Girls	lst
Table Tennis	lst
Indoor Bowls	1st (Twizel 2) 2nd (Twizel 1)
Chess	1st (Twizel 1) 5th (Twizel 2)
Rugby	2nd
Basketball Boys	2nd
Badminton	2nd (Twizel 2)
Quiz	2nd (Twizel 1) 4th (Twizel 2)
Quiz Netball	( ,
	4th (Twizel 2)
Netball	4th (Twizel 2) 3rd=
Netball Touch - Girls	4th (Twizel 2) 3rd= 3rd
Netball Touch - Girls Mixed Football	4th (Twizel 2) 3rd= 3rd 3rd 3rd (Twizel 1)

At the end of a very successful tournament Mrs Staniford received the 'tournament flags' signifying that it is Twizel's turn to be tournament hosts in 2022. Bring it on!!



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**Congratulations** to these students who were selected for the Southern Area Schools Team. They will compete at the National Area Schools Tournament to be held in Dunedin in July.



Rudolph Campomanes Football, Basketball, Volleyball

Jack Adams Rugby, Basketball

Luca Stewart Rugby, Football, Basketball

Ryan Nelson Rugby, Basketball

Kyle Nelson Rugby, Basketball

Holly Skinner Netball A, Basketball

Amie MacLennan Netball B, Basketball

Lily Brophy Netball B

Sienna van Straalen Football, Basketball

Caylen Taylor Rugby

Daniel Hunter Football, Ki-O-Rahi, Volleyball

James McDonald Football, Ki-O-Rahi

Thank you to all parents/ caregivers that have paid the child/ children's accounts. If you have not been emailed one please let us know as we have the wrong email address.



### Star Students for Week 3



Room 7 - Isabel - great worker and always willing to help Room 8 - Alice - for being kind and inspiring others Room 9 - Riley - showing manaakitanga to all her school mates, always Room 13 - Miley - for developing her love of writing Room 4 - Gus - for improved work habits



**Room 4** - Gus - for improved work habits **Room 5** - Sophie - managing her time well to get her tasks completed

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

## <u>Room 9</u>



Tamariki construction using magnetic geometrical shapes



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After reading the book about bridges, Room 9 students followed the instructions on the back page to build their own paper bridge. After individually building them we decided to challenge ourselves and join them all together to make one big strong bridge. We researched suspension, trusses and other ways to strengthen the bridge. Tui brought recycled materials from home and we brainstormed designs, drawing them up on a poster. The Golden Gate bridge served as inspiration hence the name The Twizel Golden bridge.

We used maths to measure the length, worked as a team, brainstormed the best way to strengthen it and then tested it with the weight of toy farm animals. A triumphant journey of learning!

## Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day

Last Friday was jam-packed with activities to support our Anti-Bullying PInk Shirt Day.







### <u>DOC visit</u>

M1 are building traps in technology. They enjoyed a visit from DOC staff and scent dogs and learnt about different styles of traps.







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### **ROCK CLIMBING CLUB**



Rock Climbing Club starts in the Events Centre Sports Hall tomorrow (Friday 28th May).

Cost is \$4 per student, with first timers free of charge this week!

#### FIREWOOD RAFFLE

Twizel Area School Raffle

6 Draws of approximately 5 cubic metres of firewood.

\$10.00 per ticket - available at the School Office.

More than 30 cubic metres of pre-split firewood has been kindly donated by **Dean Smith and his wife Tina**.

The excess following the raffle will be distributed to whanau in need of some winter warmth by Kevin, our Caretaker and the Bootcamp team.

Dean would like to encourage others to donate wood from problem tree species to community members or organisations. He challenges you to match or surpass his donation! Hike for Hillary Fundraiser - Saturday 29 May



The Hermitage Hotel's 'Hike 5 for Hillary', is an initiative coinciding with Everest Day to raise funds for The Himalayan Trust. Saturday 29 May marks the day Sir Edmund Hillary and Sherpa Tenzing Norgay successfully completed the first ascent of Mt Everest. The Himalayan Trust launched Everest Day to acknowledge this great achievement, celebrate the connection between New Zealand and Nepal and raise money for communities in the Everest region.

The idea for this fundraiser is that we are asking all participants to donate \$5 in exchange for a bespoke hiking passport with five of the region's great hikes inside: Kea Point, Hooker Valley, Tasman Valley, Red Tarns and Governor's Bush. Participants will receive a stamp in their passport for every hike they finish, with the goal being to complete all five. Participants can win a range of prizes such as accommodation at the Hermitage Hotel, a trip on Glacier Explorers and a Star Gazing tour as well as sweet treats! The Sir Edmund Hillary Centre will have free entry over the weekend for those staying and taking part. It would be a great experience for the kids to spend the day in the national park, learn about the mountains and history. Kids of all ages are welcome - if they complete Kea Point or Governor's Bush they will get a free sweet treat at the café!



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## TWIZEL SNOW CLUB PRESENTS:

WINTER SPORT SALE SUNDAY 30 MAY 2021 11 AM-2 PM

COMMUNITY LOUNGE TWIZEL EVENT CENTRE

BRING YOUR SPORTS EQUIPMENT—ANYTHING WORTH SELLING: FROM SKIS TO RUGBY AND SLEDS TO SHOES.

TAKE-IN 9-10 AM PICK-UP UNSOLD 2-3 PM





## **Empty Ice Cream containers needed!**

Kia ora koutou, Some of you might remember Kare, the kakī /black stilt mascot from last Year "Vote for kakī " campaign. The team at the kakī recovery programme need a lot of empty ice



cream containers and Kare thought you might be able to help? Bring them to school and leave them at the office with Debbie . Ngā mihi nui! Kare and the kakī team.