

# eTAN - Twizel Area News



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Tēnā koutou and Welcome

This week we have messages from:

- Head students
- Our Principal, Kate Staniford

We have messages about:

- Upcoming Events
- Student Activities
- National Area Schools Tournament
- Holiday News
- Home and School Fundraiser
- Lucky Book Club
- Aoraki Midwinter Celebration
- Snow Club Form



Kia Ora koutou!

First week back at school, and the last *full* term for our senior students!

Over the holidays, we had 11 senior students travel down to Dunedin to compete in the New Zealand Area Schools Tournament, in sports such as Netball, Football, Rugby, Basketball and Ki O Rahi. Our 11 students were competing as part of the South-of-the-South team, with students from Maniototo, Lawrence etc. A number of students made it into the South Island team, to play against North Island. From that, James McDonald made it into the New Zealand team for football, and Rudolph Campomanes got into the NZ team for basketball.

Big congratulations to them, and to everyone else that went and gave it their all at the tournament!

Good luck for the rest of the term!

Karawhiua!

Daniel Hunter  
Head Student



## From our Principal

Kia ora e te whānau, and welcome to Term 3!

I'd like to pass on my congratulations to the inspirational students representing the South of the South at the National Area Schools Tournament, and my thanks to the staff accompanying them in Dunedin during their 'holiday' time.



Two students have been selected at a National representation level, James McDonald (left) as Goalkeeper in Football, and Rudolph Campomanes in Basketball and Volleyball - so, further, and special congratulations to

them.

During the term break, I was approached by the DHB regarding COVID-19 vaccinations. It is their intention to provide an opt-in vaccination programme on the school site in the near future for all unvaccinated students aged 16 and above, as well as staff. Their intended timeframe is Term 3. At present, the vaccination is not licensed for students under 16 in New Zealand. Further information including dates will be distributed once we know more from the DHB.

This term marks the start of the BoT's regular review cycle for our school policies. The policies up for review this term are: 'Behaviour Management' and 'Concerns and Complaints'. If you'd like to provide feedback on these policies please follow the instructions below:

- Visit the website <https://twizel.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
- Enter the username (twizel) and password (twizelarea).
- Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- Read the policy.

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- Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- Select the reviewer type "Parent".
- Enter your name (optional).
- Submit your ratings and comments.

Also during the term break, a concern has been raised regarding locker security. In response to that concern, the school has purchased a number of combination locks for hire through the main office. If you'd like to hire a combination lock for your child's locker, the hire rate is \$15 which is fully refundable on return of the lock (in good working order) at the end of the school year. This allows us to purchase a new lock if the unit is lost or damaged. We do ask that the school locks are used so that we can manage the combination codes just in case they are forgotten, or the lock needs to be removed in an emergency (as per School Security policy).

On Monday, the staff and board from Twizel Area School along with representative staff members from Mackenzie College and Aoraki Mt. Cook Primary welcomed Kirsty Farrant from PPTA as a guest speaker. She updated us on the [National Educational Learning Priorities \(NELPs\)](#) which were brought into law at the end of last year. She spoke specifically on Objective 1: Learners at the Centre, with a focus on the third descriptor. This descriptor states that we must 'Create a safe and inclusive culture where diversity is valued and all learners/ākonga and staff, including those who identify as LGBTQIA+, are disabled, have learning support needs, are neurodiverse, or from diverse ethnic communities, feel they belong'. Thank you to Kirsty for delivering this informative session, it has certainly allowed us to continue our conversation around our obligations within the NELPs.

He waka eke noa,

Kate Staniford, Tumuaki | Principal



## Upcoming Events

**Snow Club** (attached for next week )  
**Friday 30 July** - Junior Assembly 2:30 pm - MPR room (via door next to carpark)  
**Friday 6 August** - Junior Assembly 2:30pm - MPR room (via door next to carpark)  
**Tuesday 10 August** - Pyjamas Day/Comfy Casuals - M4 Social Action Project (Donations of canned or dry goods for the Food Bank to be brought)  
**Friday 13 August - Teacher Only Day** - NCEA Accord and Primary Professional Learning  
**Wednesday 28 August** - BOT meeting 5.30pm  
**Monday 30 August** - School Photos



## Junior Assembly Reminder

Junior Assembly will return to the MPR (Multipurpose Room) this term - please enter through the door that opens to the carpark. Junior Assemblies are held on Fridays at 2:30pm.

## Room 13



Room 13 students have been reading the brilliant classic story of 'Flat Stanley'. Everyone coloured in Stanley and made sure he could fit under the door!

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## National Area Schools Tournament

Twizel students selected to represent the 'South of the South' at the National Area Schools Tournament in Dunedin.



L-R - James, Amie, Ryan, Louie, Kyle, Lily, Zach  
Front - Rudolph

Absent - Caylen, Sienna

The team was also joined by former students Luca Stewart and Jack Adams.

Students selected for the South Island Team were;

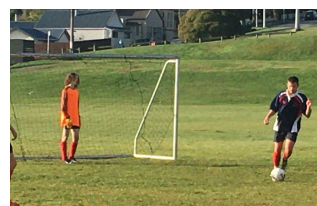
Boys Basketball- Rudolph and Kyle

Volleyball- Rudolph and James

Football- Zach and James

Rugby- Luca,

and from there James (Football) and Rudolph (Basketball and Volleyball) gained their National honours.



## Tournament in Action ...



Our students also attended an Otago Nuggets Basketball Match while in Dunedin, and caught up with former student Jack Andrew.





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## HOLIDAY NEWS

### South Island Secondary Schools Junior Netball Tournament

Four of our Year 9 Netballers - Kiara, Isabella, Alizay and Maddy - joined the Opihi College (Temuka) team to compete at the Junior SISS Netball Tournament in Christchurch.



The students played some 'full on' games of netball with Opihi finishing 23rd out of 31 teams in the Combined (Yrs 9-10) grade. The girls also attended a 'Canterbury Tactix' game while they were in Christchurch - picking up some valuable tips.

### Dance Days 2021

A group of students from Lakes Ballet, Twizel attended the annual week long 'Dance Days' held in Christchurch.



The students work on their syllabus knowledge for their forthcoming exams and learn a new dance which is performed at the end of the week. Special congratulations to Paige Firman (R5), who won the Grade Four Jazz trophy for Excellence.

### Network Waitaki Basketball Tournament

During the middle weekend of the holidays a team of Year 6-8 aspiring basketballers competed in the Network Waitaki Basketball Tournament in Oamaru.



Experienced coaches Bevan Newlands and Les Andrew accompanied the team and all players improved their basketball skills immensely (not to mention their vacuuming skills!).

### Home and School Fundraiser TAS Middle and Senior Uniform Skirts - \$35

Our Home and School Committee are able to offer brand new TAS uniform skirts in a variety of sizes, for the low-cost price of \$35. The skirts are available at the School Office.



### LUCKY BOOK ORDERS

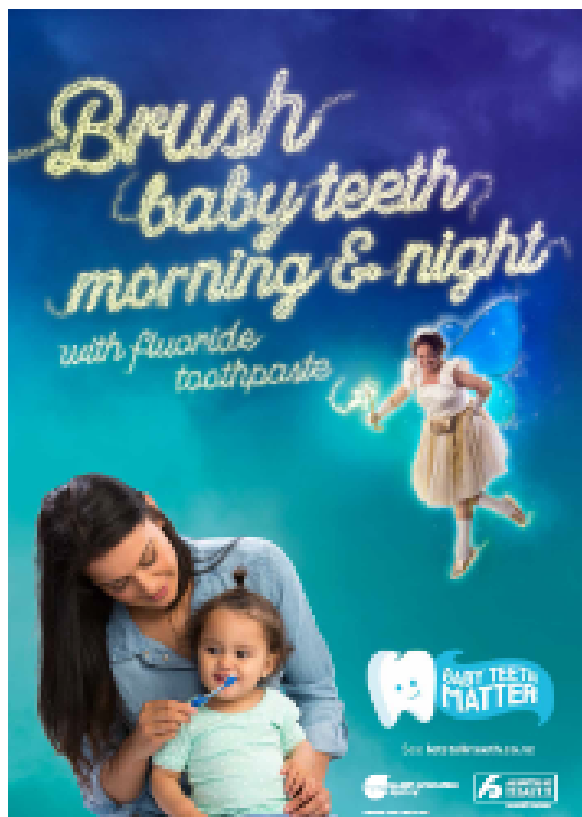
Reminder closing date on Friday 6th August 2021 .



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The Hermitage presents

## *Aoraki/Mount Cook mid winter celebration*

Come & join us for an afternoon of fun filled activities for all the family.

**Sunday August 1, 12 noon - 4pm**

*Christmas themed buffet lunch, festive movies in the theatre, games & activities for your little ones & lots more.*

**Plus come and visit Santa Claus!**

Adult: \$49 & Child \$19.50

Please note child is aged 5-12 years, children under 5 eat for free with full paying adult.

Book reservations@hermitage.co.nz or call 0800 686800

www.hermitage.co.nz