

# eTAN - Twizel Area News



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Tēnā koutou and Welcome

This week we have messages from:

- Eftpos available at school
- Head students
- Our Principal, Kate Staniford

We have messages about:

- Snow Club Reminder
- TAS Cross Country
- Upcoming Events
- Star Students
- Student Activities
- Pyjamas Day
- Rock Climbing
- Subject Selection - Year 10
- Omarama Cross Country
- Basketball Coaching
- Changes to School Lunches
- Lucky Book Club closes Friday
- School Uniform Skirt Fundraiser



EFTPOS is here and now available at the school office.



Kia Ora Y'all

End of Week 2 is approaching gang!  
Term 3 is all about preparation for those exams and getting all your credits - Seniors!  
We have some students going to a badminton tournament next week for a day, Girls' Basketball won last night and we have netball this weekend!

We also have a First Aid course happening on Saturday for our seniors.

Tune in next week for a new report on the weekly eTAN. Have a good rest of your week!  
Blossom-Kate Garbutt, Deputy Head Student  
:D

*'Never eat ingredients you can't pronounce.  
Except quinoa. You should eat quinoa'*

## TEACHER ONLY DAY REMINDER

**There will be a Teacher Only Day on Friday 13 August.**

*From the Principal*

Kia ora e te whanau!

Last week we had the pleasure of hosting the parents of the prospective new entrant students for the remainder of 2021. Some of them are new to the school, others old hands! The afternoon was structured around three sections, an informal question and answer session, a tour of the entire school and time in the new entrant classroom finding out about the programme of learning. Thank you to Miss Douglas and Mrs Potter for organising the afternoon. As part of our review of the transition to school process, we've created an A-Z guide for new entrant parents, you can [click this link](#) to have a look if you would like to know more. This document will be available on our new school website, once published.

I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome two new permanent staff members to our school - Melissa McLellan is confirmed as the permanent teacher of Room 13, and Alison Blanchard joins our team as Specialist Teacher with Bridget Newlands confirming her last day in the role as August 18th. We're sad to see Bridget go as she offers so much to the school and our learners, however, we do understand that now is the time she would like to concentrate on her family business. I'm sure everyone will join me in warmly welcoming Melissa and Alison to our team.

This week, a number of our staff have been travelling to Roxburgh to engage with professional learning through our Kāhui Ako (Community of Learning).

- On Monday, the within and across school teachers met to discuss their leadership of local curriculum development, our most recent project being the refinement of our enrolment and exit process. You can see our [guiding document here](#). We hope to integrate our new system in coming weeks.
- On Tuesday, Chris Longbottom, Melissa McLellan and Sandy Nelson attended a Culturally Responsive Practice Workshop led by a Core Education representative. They will continue to meet to develop and

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spread their practice throughout the year.

- On Wednesday, Kay and Neil Potter attended the Deputy and Assistant Principal Workshop.

The Kāhui Ako as a group of Area Schools includes Twizel, Roxburgh, Lawrence and Maniototo. We work together on a common goal to integrate our [local curricula](#).

In Term 4, we're hoping to run a two day Outdoor First Aid Course for staff who wish to upskill in readiness for Outdoor Education and Camps. The course will be run by Peak Safety Training. We have a number of places available for adult members of the community if anyone is interested in joining us. The cost will be \$250 per person, plus an additional \$25 if you wish to be accredited with an NZQA accredited qualification at the end of the course. We are yet to confirm dates. If you would like to join us, please let the office know.

Lastly, don't forget we have a Ministry of Education required teacher only day on Friday 13th August. This is part of the NCEA Accord agreement for staff professional learning time.

He waka eke noa.

Kate Staniford, Tumuaki

## SNOW CLUB REMINDER

*A reminder for our Snow Club students and parents (Junior and Senior)...*

Students who are not at school due to illness the day before Snow Club, or for two days earlier that week, are not able to participate in Snow Club that week. This is in accordance with our Health and Safety Plan.

## TAS CROSS COUNTRY

Our TAS Cross Country will be held on Wednesday September 8 at the Twizel River. Classes are beginning to train for this event so please remember to wear footwear that you can run in.

### Upcoming Events

**Thursdays in Term 3** - Junior Snow club  
**Fridays in Term 3** - Senior Snow Club  
**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 (Bring a donation of canned or dried goods for the Foodbank)  
**Wednesday 11 August** - Aoraki Maths (Yrs 7-8)  
**Thursday 12 August** - Aoraki Maths (Yrs 9-10)  
**Thursday 12 August** - Aoraki Badminton Championships (Yrs 9-13 Team)  
**Friday 13 August - Teacher Only Day** - NCEA Accord and Primary Professional Learning  
**Monday - Tuesday 16-17 August** - TAS Science Fair  
**Wednesday 18 August** - Room 9/13 Ice skating  
**Wednesday 25 August** - Room 9 Skiing (Tekapo)  
**Wednesday 25 August** - BOT meeting 5.30pm  
**Monday 30 August** - School Photos  
**Wednesday 8 September** - TAS Cross Country

### Star Students



**Room 7** - Dylan for settling into school life.  
**Room 8** - Abbey for supporting others in Room 8 during the production  
**Room 9** - Nya for self managing in all activities.  
**Room 13** - Harriet for helping others in class.  
**Room 4** - Kaliyah for working hard to make an excellent Olympics poster.  
**Room 5** - Greer for managing herself and her time well.

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## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

### Room 8

This week Rm 8 has been starting to look at geometric shapes as part of our maths this term.



The students looked at the shapes used to make an umbrella and then had to construct one using geometric shapes.



Nic kindly brought in this enormous carrot to share with the class today which links into maths and science. Bailey is comparing his carrot with Nic's in the second photo. The students completed a chart showing the growth cycle of a carrot and then looked up what is the largest carrot grown in the world. It just about measured the whole length of the classroom (**6.245 m**)!.



Measuring out 6.245m using 1 metre rulers.

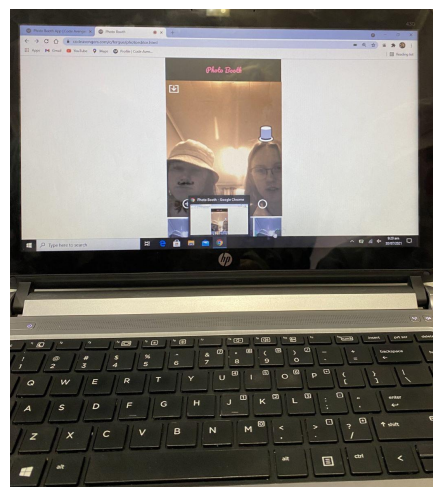
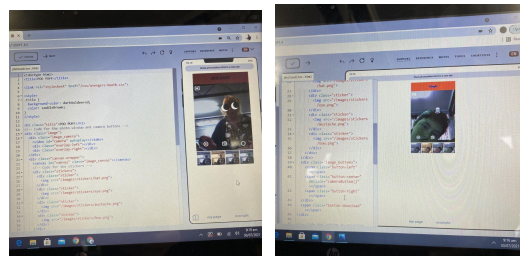
### Room 9

Yesterday the class painted their desks. Some did the colour kowhai or where. I did pango, red, pink and orange. It was fun. I love, love, love painting. And I painted a house with a swing and a ladder and a rock climbing wall. By Aaron



### Digital Technology

M4 students have been learning about creating Apps. They have just started this unit but have already managed to create a Photo Booth app and take pictures.





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## PYJAMAS DAY (or comfy casuals)



## Rock Climbing Club

Friday 3.15pm - 4.45pm in the Sports Hall of the Twizel Events Centre.  
(please note new time)  
Remember to bring your belayer.



## Subject Selection – Year 10 Students

Subject choice for students is an important part of the Term 3 calendar. Parents can support young people in making good choices that will set them up for further study and careers. When the timing is right, talk to your child about possible subjects for next year. The link below is a good resource to start with:

<https://www.careers.govt.nz/articles/conversation-tips-for-subject-choice-time/>

To understand about each NCEA subject click on the link below. It will give you information about NCEA and how it compares to School Certificate and Bursary. The link also has great information about how to choose a subject, a subject matcher to identify areas of interests against possible careers and advice for parents on conversation starters about this topic:

<https://www.careers.govt.nz/ncea-subject-choice/>

We want our Year 10 students to make good choices with subjects next year and will be supporting them with a Careers Unit in their Digital Technology class this term to support their subject selection later in the year. At the front desk there will be some handouts about choosing subjects that can be collected if you do not have access to a printer and wish to start this process.

Any questions, please email me at [mo@twizel.school.nz](mailto:mo@twizel.school.nz)

Regards Michele O'Carroll (Careers)

## Omarama Cross Country

There will be an opportunity for students to compete at the Omarama Cross Country on August 13th despite there being a Ministry of Education allocated Teacher Only Day at TAS. Bridget Newlands has volunteered to organise a school led group subject to parent transport/supervision. If your child in Years 1-8 would like to compete, please make contact with Bridget before Monday 9th August at 9am by emailing [bn@twizel.school.nz](mailto:bn@twizel.school.nz).

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## Girls Got Game Basketball Coaching Session

An opportunity for all school aged girls years 3-13 to join this basketball training session. It's a 1 day event on 19<sup>th</sup> September between 9:30am and 2:30pm.

Girls Got Game is suitable for all skill levels and aims to introduce more young girls to basketball and encourage them to continue being active and enjoy basketball with their friends.

Its free to join but there are limited spaces and pre registration is required so register here if you are interested:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/165867>

Twizel Events Centre  
Sunday 19th September  
Limited to 30 per age group  
Year 3 to Year 6 & Year 7 to Year 13  
Registrations on SCBA website

**GIRLS GOT GAME**  
BASKETBALL FOR GIRLS

**SOUTH CANTERBURY BASKETBALL**

nz.basketball

Registrations: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/156211>

## Change to School Lunches 2021



[HIGHCOUNTRYSALMON.CO.NZ](https://HIGHCOUNTRYSALMON.CO.NZ)

High Country Salmon has a delicious lunch menu which is now being delivered **every school day**. It includes sushi and other options.

You need to order lunch through the High Country Salmon Website and pay online by 9:30am on the day. The orders are then filled and delivered to school for lunchtime.

You can use the link here to order

**Lunch Delivery**

## LUCKY BOOK ORDERS

Reminder closing date is Friday (**tomorrow**) 6th August 2021.



## 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.

