

Te Anau School

Te Kura o Te Anau 2023 Kake ake i te tiketiketanga o te Taumata Climbing Our Way To The Top!! Term 4 Week 2



Principal's Pen

Kia ora Whānau,

Last Friday our Middle Team learners were lucky enough to travel to Manapouri to visit the Alpaca Farm as part of their learning about animals. The children learned about the cost of farming alpacas along with understanding about the types of alpacas and their uses.

The children came away with a lot of new understanding. The teachers were even fascinated, with one saying to me. 'I just didn't want to leave, it was so interesting." We are very lucky to have businesses like the alpaca farm in our community to support our learning in real-life contexts.

On another note, our tamariki were very excited to come back to school to see our completed swing set ready to go on Monday. It has been a very busy spot all week. Thank you so much for all of your support with the fundraising, it was very successful. I will let you know the total raised as soon as all of the money is counted.

Yesterday, you should have received a text and email regarding our school board elections. We currently have two positions up for election. At the close of nominations, we had three people who had been nominated. Thank you to the three of you. We are lucky to have willing members of our community. The three nominations were received from Casey Brown, Shelley Wilson, and Whitney Meagher. Using the email to go to the voting website and the password sent to you via text, you will be able to vote for your preferred candidate. Voting closes on Wednesday, November 15 at 4pm.

Today we held an Earthquake Drill. This was part of our annual emergency response practice but also aligned with the National Shake Out Drill. Our tamariki are very prepared for an earthquake at school. Tonight might be a good time to talk about what your child would do if there was an earthquake at home.

Lastly, have a great long weekend, and go the All Blacks!

Ngā mihi nui, Grant Excell Principal

School News

Friday Sausages This Week! Only \$2.00 !!!!

Please bring your \$2 coin to the Cayford Block kitchen

Please note this must be <u>before 9am</u>

To avoid long queues, please give exact money Please support our Year 6 Dunedin camp fundraiser!

School Photos

for family photos, if required.

Douglas Thorne Photography will be coming to our school on Wednesday 25 October and Thursday 26 October for class and individual photos which will be available for purchase. A notice has gone home this week



Please make sure your child/ren wear the correct school uniform and that their hair is tidy. Thank you.



Gumboot Friday 3rd November

This will be a mufti day with gumboots!

Gold coin donation.

What is gumboot Friday? Gumboot Friday is a chance to show your support by chucking on your gummies and joining the conversation. It's a fun way for Kiwis to get involved, while raising awareness and money to provide FREE counselling for any young person in need. In the past, at Te Anau School, we have used funding from Gumboot Friday to support children who have seen our counsellor, Kathryn Wright.

Dental Bus

The Te Anau Dental Mobile Bus is currently working in Te Anau. Please feel free to ring and make an appointment for your child on 027 284 9937. If at the time you are unable to make the appointment, please let us know so we can see someone else as time is limited.

Infectious Illness	Return to School Minimum Time
Cold, Sore Throat, Flu and Covid symptoms	Until well (this includes Covid)
Vomiting and/or Diarrhoea	48 hours and until well after last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea

School Term Calendar 2023

https://www.teanau.school.nz/calendar

23 October	Labour Day - School Closed
25 October	Board Meeting
25/26 October	School Photos
26 October	PTA Meeting - Te Anau Club 7pm
27 October	Whole School Assembly 9.30am
3 November	Gumboot Friday - Mufti Day - gold coin donation
9 November	Year 5 and Year 6 Tournament - Mossburn
10 November	Pet Day - Rugby Club Grounds
17 November	Whole School Assembly 9.30am
20 November	Junior Swim Safe starts
24 November	Teacher Only Day - School Closed
29 November	Whole School Assembly 9.30am
4 - 8 December	Year 6 Camp - Dunedin
12 December	Year 6 Milford Day Trip
14 December	Last Day of School and Year 6 Graduation
1 February	First Day of 2024
17 December	Last Day of 2024

Scholastic Book Orders

These were sent home with your child/children this week. Orders are done online and must be in by Friday 20 October. If paying cash (no cheques), please fill in the form clearly and place the exact money in a sealed envelope into the school office mailbox by Friday 20 October.

Gifts - If your order is a gift, please order with your name and remember to click the gift tab. We receive free books for our library and classrooms from your orders so thank you in advance!

Our Policies and Procedures

Our policies and procedures can be viewed at any time through our Hero App and our school website. <u>www.teanau.school.nz</u> Click on 'Policies and Procedures' and enter the following username and password. Username: **teanau** Password: **climbing**

School Sun Hats - For Term 4

Bucket style sun hats are compulsory this term. Plain navy and green hats are available from Poppet Clothing. Navy hats with the Orbell logo are available from the school office for \$15.00 with cash payment on receipt of the hat. Please note that we have no Eftpos. <u>Head sizes</u> are 54cm, 58cm and 61cm.



School Hours!

9am – 3pm (children must not be at school before 8.30am)

10.40am – 11.00am – Interval 12.15pm – 1.10pm – Lunch Office Hours - 8.30am to 4pm

If your children are going to be absent, late or picking up early, the **school office** must be advised **before 9am.** You can do this by Hero App, or phone (leave a message.) *Going on holiday or away 5 days or more? This must be in* writing, please send an email to the school office with the dates away. Many thanks.

School Pool



Our pool will be open for school swimming lessons on 30 October. Please remember to name **all** items. Pool keys will be available on 30 October from the school office for \$50 cash only.

Community Items



Welcome to the 53rd Issue of the Fiordland Families Network newsletter for October 2023 that was out last week.....better late than never right? We have fantastic article on the teenage experience this month. You can read download a copy here, or check it out on our Facebook page.

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Contact Details & Bank Account Information (No Eftpos)

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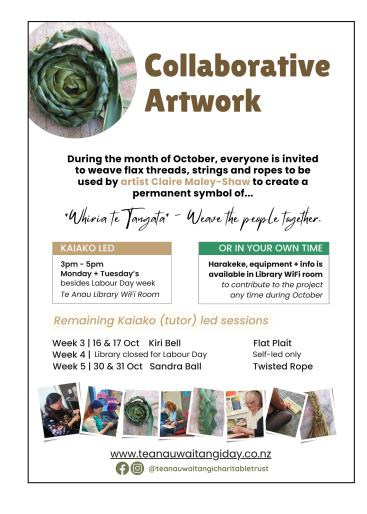
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