

# Term 1-Week 1-2025

## Te Anau School Newsletter

*Te Kura o Te Anau*



Term 1 - Week 1 - 2025

### Principal's Pen

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*Kia ora Whānau,*

*Welcome back to 2025, it has been fantastic to have the children back at school and smiling. The great weather has also helped us have an awesome start!*

*With the great weather, our children really need their sun hats at school. Our policy states that children wear a wide-brimmed hat during Terms 1 and 4. If they don't have one, they will be asked to sit under shade trees. We have these for sale at the school office. It is super important that these are named!*

*Naming items can be a bit of a drag, but it really does help. I have seen this firsthand this week as my two daughters who are both at college both lost their hoodies in the first two days of school. We have them back now though!*

*Also, with the sunny weather, sunscreen is super important. We have sunscreen available in all of our classrooms. Children are reminded to put on sunscreen but we don't apply it for them. The best way is if your child applies sunscreen before school with an adult helping, that way you can be sure your child has at least one layer of protection. This way, the layers put on at school are on top of what they already have.*

*I hope you have a great weekend. There is a lot going on around the town; I hope you get time to enjoy some of the activities.*

*Ngā mihi nui,*

*Grant Excell*

*Principal*

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## School News

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*Welcome!*

*We welcomed the following children to our school this week!*

***Bryah Donnelly, Leo Fishburn, Sofia Godek, Calla Grubb, Naomi Hall, Adele Mackintosh, Rui Mackintosh, Ashanti Mountney-Brooks, Lochy Russell, Maggie Russell, Quinn Thomson, Stella Vuruya, Belle Yasar and Terran Yasar.***

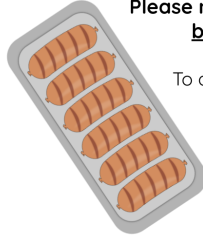
*Happy school days everyone!*

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## Friday Sausages This Week! Only \$2.00

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

**Please note this must be  
before 9am**



To avoid long queues, please give  
exact money.

Please support our Year 6  
Dunedin camp fundraiser!



These were sent home with your child/children this week. Orders are done online and must be in by **Friday 14 February**. If paying cash, please fill in the form clearly and place the exact money in a sealed envelope into the school office mailbox by Friday 14 February.

**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!



## School Vests

These were issued this week and are free.

However, they are school property and must be used daily to and from school. Children are responsible for these vests at all times. They must be cleaned regularly and mended if necessary. These will be collected at the end of the year so please do not name them.

**Have you shifted house?  
Please let us know your new address!**



## **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.

## **Te Anau School's Policies and Procedures**

Our policies and procedures can be viewed at any time through our school website. [www.teanau.school.nz](http://www.teanau.school.nz)<sup>1</sup> Click on 'Policies and Procedures' and enter the following username and password. Username: teanau Password: climbing

This term we are reviewing: Health, Safety, and Welfare Policy, Safety Management System, Risk Management and Healthcare. Click on current review to view and give feedback.

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<sup>1</sup><http://www.teanau.school.nz/>

## Hats

Navy and green bucket-style sun hats are compulsory in Terms 1 and 4 each year. These are available from Poppet Clothing [www.poppetclothing.co.nz](http://www.poppetclothing.co.nz).

Navy hats with the Orbell logo are available from the school office for \$20.00 with cash payment on receipt of the hat. Our school Sizes are 54cm, 58cm and 61cm.



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*A reminder that we do not have Eftpos*

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**SMASH  
PLAY**

**SMASH PLAY CRICKET  
TERM 1 2025  
MONDAYS - TE ANAU**

**YR1/2 BOYS & GIRLS**

**STARTING MON 3<sup>RD</sup> MAR FOR 5 WEEKS**

**4PM START EVERY WEEK  
@ TE ANAU CRICKET CLUB, DUSKY ST**

**\$25 COST PER PLAYER**

**REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!**

The poster features a dark blue background with vibrant cyan and purple geometric shapes (triangles and lines) radiating from the center. The text is in a bold, white, sans-serif font, with some words in a larger, stylized font at the top.



***GIRLS SMASH CRICKET  
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***YR3-YR6 GIRLS***

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## School Term Calendar 2024

You can also access our school calendar through the website [www.teanau.school.nz](https://www.teanau.school.nz)<sup>2</sup>

Click on 'Our School' on the taskbar, then click on 'Calendar'

- **6 February - Waitangi Day - School Closed**
- 10 & 11 February - Parent Teacher Interviews
- **10 February - Room 9 Boating Day**
- 12 February - Room 10 Boating Day
- **19 February - Board Meeting**
- 21 February - Whole School Assembly

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<sup>2</sup><https://www.teanau.school.nz/>

- **13 March - Basin Athletics**
- 14 March - Whole School Assembly
- **19 March - Basin Swimming Sports**
- 22 March - Southland Athletics
- **4 April - Whole School Assembly**
- 7 April - GRIP Leadership Conference
- **11 April - End of Term 1**
- 28 April - Start of Term 2
- **16 December - Last day of School for 2025**



## Community News

# Te Anau Waitangi festival programme

SCAN FOR MORE DETAILS



ART EXHIBITION  
OPENING

7-9 pm  
THUR 30 Jan

*Taonga tuku iho-Treasures of our heritage* multi-media art exhibition opening at The Arts Hub. Runs to 9 Feb. Contact [fiordlandartshub@gmail.com](mailto:fiordlandartshub@gmail.com)

KITE & KĒMU DAY

12-3 pm  
SAT 01 Feb

Fly kites and play traditional māori games (kēmu) with Fiordland Outdoor Playgroup, Te Anau Rugby Grounds. BBQ and refreshments. Gold coin donation.

MOVIE SCREENINGS

Waitangi Day  
THUR 6 Feb

FREE movie screenings of *Moana 2* (1 pm) & *We Were Dangerous* (8 pm) at Fiordland Cinema. TICKETS @ [teanauwaitangiday.co.nz](http://teanauwaitangiday.co.nz)

FOR TAMARIKI +  
RANGATAHI  
NICCOLO PICCOLO  
NIC LOW

Waitangi Day  
THUR 6 Feb  
&  
FRI 7 Feb

*Niccolo Piccolo ukulele + waiata wānanga* 3:45-4:45 pm 6 + 7 Feb, REGISTER @ [niccolopiccolo.com](http://niccolopiccolo.com)  
*Ngāi Tahu in the Southern Alps with Nic Low* 1:30 pm 7 Feb for years 4+ Fiordland College gymnasium  
*Niccolo Piccolo concert* for yrs 0-3, 1:30 pm, 7 Feb, Te Anau Club.

EXHIBITION OPENING  
& AUTHOR TALK WITH  
NIC LOW

Waitangi Day  
5-7 pm  
THUR 6 Feb

5 pm Opening for *Te Tiriti—Ruapuke, June 1840* exhibition at FNP Visitor Centre.  
6 pm *Ngāi Tahu in the Southern Alps* with *Nic Low* in the AV theatre. TICKETS @ [teanauwaitangiday.co.nz](http://teanauwaitangiday.co.nz)

WAITANGI FESTIVAL  
CONCERT  
LIONS PARK

11 am - 3 pm  
SAT 8 Feb

Live entertainment featuring Ngā Herenga Waka Kapa Haka (Waihōpai), Te Anau School Kapa Haka, music from *Top of the Hour* (Ōtepoti Dunedin), *Niccolo Piccolo* (Pōneke Wellington), plus Hāngi, kai, history and info about Te Tiriti o Waitangi, mahi toi (art), giant sandpit and water slide for the tamariki!

JAM SESSION  
REDCLIFF CAFE

5-7 pm  
SAT 8 Feb

Join our magnificent Waitangi Festival MC, Matua Sonny, and kapa haka performer and teacher, Matua Te Ukaipo Rangihau, for a fun-fuelled jam session and wahi waiata (sing-along) at Te Anau's popular Redcliff Cafe.

LAKE CRUISE AND  
CAVES JOURNEY

8 am  
SUN 9 Feb

Cruise with RealNZ aboard the *Luminosa* with Aurora Caves trip. Live performance by *The Mitchell Twins*. Talk by *Nic Low* at the Cavern. Limited spaces. TICKETS @ [teanauwaitangiday.co.nz](http://teanauwaitangiday.co.nz)

MŌKIHI FLOAT

11 am  
SUN 9 Feb

Mōkihi/raft float for tamariki/children on Little Lake Te Anau.

WAKA AMA

10 am - 3 pm  
SUN 9 Feb

Waka ama experience with *Te Piritahi a Rua Waka Ama* (Waihōpai Invercargill). Opportunities to register a crew for races at 2 pm.



FOR DETAILS + UPDATES VISIT [WWW.TEANAUWAITANGIDAY.CO.NZ](http://WWW.TEANAUWAITANGIDAY.CO.NZ)

**TE ANAU WAITANGI DAY FESTIVAL**

**Niccolo  
Piccolo**

**FREE KIDS UKULELE  
WĀNANGA  
6TH & 7TH FEB**

**PLAY WHAT YOU  
LEARN ON STAGE!  
8TH FEB**



**REGISTRATIONS ESSENTIAL:  
[NICCOLOPICCOLO.COM](http://NICCOLOPICCOLO.COM)**

**MEMBERS,  
WOULD YOUR KIDS AND THEIR FRIENDS  
LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN SIX WEEKS OF  
JUNIOR GOLF (AGES 7+)?  
JOIN US ON THURSDAYS AT 3:30 PM FOR  
FUN GAMES, PRIZES, AND THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY A COUPLE OF  
HOLES EACH WEEK. THE FINAL SESSION  
WILL INCLUDE A BBQ AND MORE PRIZES!  
PLEASE LET US KNOW AT THE OFFICE OR  
EMAIL: TEANAUGOLF@XTRA.CO.NZ.**

# JUNIOR GOLF

We would be grateful for some  
happy helpers as well

**STAY TUNED**



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*My hours of work are Monday - Friday 9am - 5.30pm*

THE 2025 FIORDLAND TRAILS TRUST

# DUCK DERBY!

**3.00PM, SATURDAY 8 FEBRUARY  
UPUKERORA RIVER**



# FIORDLAND TRAILS TRUST DUCK DERBY+AUCTION



## A quacker of a fundraiser!

Join FTT for a Duck Derby on  
**Saturday 8th Feb, 2025, 3pm at the Upukerora Trail Bridge**  
We'll throw hundreds of plastic ducks from the bridge and the  
winning ducks will earn someone some fantastic prizes.  
Purchase a duck ticket from as little as \$10.  
Email [admin@fiordlandtrails.nz](mailto:admin@fiordlandtrails.nz).

AND get your hands on an amazing prize package with our silent  
auction.

To view the auction packages, visit [www.fiordlandtrails.nz](http://www.fiordlandtrails.nz).  
You can place a bid via email ([admin@fiordlandtrails.nz](mailto:admin@fiordlandtrails.nz)) or at the  
FTT Duck Derby event.



All money raised goes into supporting the Fiordland Trails Trust's work to  
build and maintain a fantastic local trail network.  
Visit [www.fiordlandtrails.nz](http://www.fiordlandtrails.nz) for more info.