

# Te Anau School - Te Kura o Te Anau

## Week 8 Term 4

## Thursday 5 December 2019

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## Principal Pen

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau

It's our second last newsletter of the year. There has been a lot happening across the school. Yesterday our Year 5's had a fantastic time at the Tough Kids competition in Invercargill and the Year 4 and below children enjoyed a show by 'Mr Yipidee', the author of books such as Jingle Bells, Rudolph Smells and Nee Naw, the Little Fire Engine. Next week we have our Junior Swimming Sports, the Year 5 and 6 Dine and Dance and our Year 6 trip to Milford Sound.

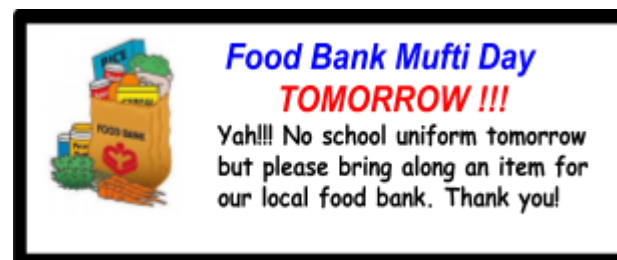
There has been a lot of talk in the media this week about schools getting extra funding for property projects. The reports have said that we will get around \$187,000 which is a very welcome addition with our plans around the school. At the time of writing this, we had received very little extra information other than what has been in the media on how we are allowed to spend the funds. We will let you know how we will be spending the money as soon as we know ourselves. However we end up spending it, it is a very welcome addition indeed.

Tomorrow is our last mufti day of the year. Rather than bringing a gold coin, we are asking that families donate a non-perishable food item that will be given to our local food bank. All items will be given out to local families who could do with a bit more this Christmas.

The end of the year is coming around fast. I hope you enjoy the festive season. Have fun and stay safe!

Nga mihi nui,  
Grant Excell  
Principal

## School News



### Road Safety Reminder

You and your children must use the designated road crossings to get to and from school.

### Looking for A Christmas Gift?

We have lots of 'environmentally' friendly products available to purchase at the office that would be great gifts. Come into the school office and have a look!



### Children Medication/Inhalers

A reminder to please pick up your children's medication, inhalers etc from the office before the end of the term. Thank you.



### School Library - Books to be Returned

Our library closes next week. Please have a good look around your house for any books as these will be charged \$10 each if not returned. Thank you.

### Ice Cream Containers

We are looking for ice cream containers. If you have any to spare, please drop off to the school office. Thank you!

### School Pool

Pool keys are available from the school office at a cost of \$60 cash per family. Note: Please purchase early to get good value from your pool key. Ten dollars will be refunded if the key is returned before 31 March 2020. Please remember to name all items of clothing.

## Junior Swimming Sports

**Year 0/1 Swimming Sports** - Te Anau School Pool - *Wednesday 11th December*

10:30am - 12:30pm

**Year 2/3 Swimming Sports** - Fiordland Community (College) Pool - *Thursday 12th*

*December 9:30am start*

**All children will need:** Swimming togs, cap & goggles (optional), two towels, a large packed lunch, water,

Vest (Year 2-3 children only). Parents are needed for time keeping the year 2/3

Swimming Sports please let teachers know if your available. All children will do at least two events. Parents & whanau are welcome to come and watch, we'd love to show off our amazing swimming to you all!

### 2020 Children's Stationery

Next year's stationery lists will be sent home with your child/ren on Tuesday 17 December. Te Anau Paper Plus will have all your back to school needs covered. Special Prices/Promotion starts 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January. Ways to get your stationery orders filled are:

\*Online at [paperplus.co.nz/backtoschool](http://paperplus.co.nz/backtoschool) and enter Te Anau School. (From January)

\*Drop your list into the staff and they will sort for you

\*Or come and shop at your leisure.

## Friday Sausages - \$2.00!!!!

Please bring your \$2 coin to the school library before 9am.

To avoid queues, please give exact money.

Please support our Year 6 Dunedin camp fundraiser!

## 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) Click on 'Policies and Procedures' and enter the following username and password. Username: teanau Password: climbing

This term we are reviewing **EOTC and Sun Protection**. Click on **current review** to view and give feedback.

## Community News

### Understanding Community Conservation

Please join Dr Jill Heatherington, DOC Volunteer Advisor, to find out more about the process behind doing conservation work in the national park on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 12.15-1.15pm in the Fiordland National Park Visitor Centre. This session is ideal for anyone involved in a community conservation project, wanting to start one or is interested in sponsoring a project. We'll talk about how to get a project started, evolve your current project, the best ways to keep everyone safe while working and how to recruit and manage volunteers. Jill will also be able to answer questions regarding community agreements and safety plans.



*Our Year 6 children on Camp last week standing in front of the Dunedin Railway Station!*

## School Calendar 2019

6 December	Food Bank Mufti Day
10 December	BoT Meeting
11 December	Year 5 & 6 Dine and Dance
11 December	Year 0/1 Swimming Sports - Te Anau School Pool
12 December	Year 2/3 Swimming Sports - Fiordland College Pool
13 December	School Assembly - 2pm Event Centre
13 December	Year 6 Milford Trip with Cruise Milford
17 December	2020 Class Transition Afternoon
19 December	Year 6 Graduation - 11am
19 December	End of Year Barbecue - 12.30pm
3 February 2020	First Day of School for 2020!!!