

Tapawera News



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Kiaora Whanau

Tena koutou e hoa ma.

What a week!

Many have been saying things like 'NZ is changed forever' or 'Our innocence is gone'. However I take a different view. I believe that for the sake of our children and their children we need to resist such ideas and hold on to the ideal that New Zealand is a safe and wholesome country for our children to grow up in.

Just as our National Anthem says "God defend our free land. Guard Pacific's triple star From the shafts of strife and war" For me that means we have to stand up and strive for the goodness of our country too; not just rest in some wishful hope.

It will take effort and determination not to be intimidated by evil forces whether external or internal. But it will be worth it.

Colour Your Day: Friday 22nd March

In recognition of our communities in Christchurch that have been so devastated over the past week let's all join the rest of the country and wear something colourful with our school uniform on Friday.

If students wish to contribute to a 'heart shaped' coin trail we will forward any proceeds to 'Our People Our City' - Christchurch Foundation.

Tournament 2019 - 1-5 April Collingwood

The team has been selected and are in training. This becomes a bit challenging as students are also involved in other camps and outdoor experiences at this time of year. Thanks Stephen for your efforts.

PB4L Quote

"As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend." *King Solomon*

Sports Co-ordinator

You may be aware that Carolyn Patterson recently finished up as our Sportsco. Belinda Grice has commenced the role as of this week.

Board Elections Information Evening: 30 April

Our Board is changing to a split election cycle. This means that at this election some nominees will stand for 18 months, whilst others will stand for 3 years. Those interested in serving on our Board should come along to this evening of information.

Monday's Demonstration of Respect

Your children were amazing on Monday. At our Meeting I talked briefly about events prior to taking a minute's silence, singing the National Anthem and Tu Tira Mai and then later raising the flag to half-mast. Throughout this time your children were attentive and respectful. I was amazed to look up whilst arranging the flag to see that they had arranged themselves into a very orderly semi-circle - without any adult direction and then stood respectfully as I raised the flag. They are truly amazing and you all should be very proud of them.



PB4L - Friendship

The good things that our students keep doing just go on and on!

On Friday I introduced a young child to a class and asked if the class would please look after her for a while and without hesitation the whole class raised their hand and called out that they would be glad to look after her. Amazing. A real demonstration of friendship. It gives me real hope for the future.

Term 1 Ends: 12 April

Term 2 Begins: 29 April

Dad Joke

"A study found that many types of head lice have mutated and now have become resistant to over-the-counter treatments. The problem has scientists scratching their heads." - *Conan O'Brien*
(Some say I need a new Dad Joke source.... I'm scratching my head on that one too!)

Kia kaha, manawanui e
Kelvin

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*If you have questions,
concerns or compliments
please let us know—we
value your feedback.*

Term Dates 2019

Term 1 Feb 7 – Apr 12

Term 2 Apr 29 – July 5

Term 3 July 22 – Sep 27

Term 4 Oct 14 – Dec 13





Year 0- 8 News

Key words for 2019 FIRE = Friendship, Integrity, Respect, Effort
Key word for this term is FRIENDSHIP

School Uniform

WOW what a great start to the year, school uniform is looking fantastic. Just a reminder to ensure your children have the correct shoes on (like they did on the first day of term), as inappropriate shoes are creeping in already. Thank you to parents who take the time and label ALL school clothing. It is amazing when there is a name on gear as it just boomerangs back to the child. Easy☺ Please ensure children have their **HATS** on this term. Please note that as long as the t shirts are the light blue you may choose a cheaper option without the logo.

Lost Property

Oh no!!! This has got to stop! Jeanette Booth and Michelle Campbell have sorted, washed and folded 5 loads of lost property. None of it was labelled. You will now find it at the local op shop.

Parent Interviews

A huge thanks to families for joining us last week. It really is a pleasure to catch up and share how wonderful your children are doing. There was such a positive vibe with families and feedback which made the evening very enjoyable.

Kid Power

What a great programme our children were involved in last week. Thanks Maree – we loved it!!!

Kidpower provides a safe and effective learning experience for children to take positive and effective action to avoid or stop abuse and violence. We aim to build rapport with your school, children/tamariki, parents/whanau and community on an on-going basis to make safety and communication a priority. KIDPOWER ensures that students have the opportunity to integrate essential safety skills through realistic practice with:

- Carefully formatted role-plays to teach boundary-setting and awareness skills

For more information see

<http://www.kidpower.org.nz>

School Photo date has changed

Due to sports trips etc our date for School Photos has changed to **Thursday 11th April**

KOS

Constable Susan has been working in our school last week with the KOS programme. Keeping Ourselves Safe is a child protection programme in which children and young people learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others. Ask your children about it☺

New Zealand Police recommends that schools use the learning activities in Keeping Ourselves Safe within a whole-school approach.

In this year 4–8 programme students will learn:

- a range of safe practices that they can use when interacting with others
- what they can do if they have been or are being abused
- what happens when abuse is reported.
- Acts to keep us safe

YMCA

The Nelson YMCA are looking at running holiday programmes here at Tapawera Area School. At this stage, we are looking at numbers to make the programme viable. Please contact Tanya Snackers or Kelly Collins if you are keen or would like more information. See flyer attached. Approximately \$200 per child per week, however subsidies are available.

YMCA Nelson runs full time care every school holiday period (excluding public holidays). These programmes are very popular and are packed with a wide variety of activities, offering children the opportunity to try new things and develop their skill base whilst enjoying their leisure time.

Exciting and varied fun filled days from 8am to 6pm for 5-13 year olds in Five locations around Nelson/Tasman.





Camp – Yr7-8 Overnight

A huge thanks to Julian McGaveston and Julie Campbell for helping at the year 7-8 camp. It was an excellent night to work on our team building skills and getting to know each other. See photos in this newsletter. Also here we have Cheyenne, Nevada and Cassie – The winners of our FIRE challenge



This term is rocking past fast and has a great positive feel. Thanks families- as it's a team approach☺

Tanya Snackers ☺

Dates:

Area School Tournament – at Collingwood – Secondary team – Monday 1st April – Friday 5th April

Yr 7-8 Sailing Trips (3 days– small groups daily) – Wednesday 3rd April – Friday 5th April

School Photos - Thursday 11th April - change of date

Final Assembly for the term – Friday 12th April

School Holidays Saturday 13th April – Sunday 29th April

School starts back on Monday 30th April



Camp 2019

On Thursday 28th of February room 5 year 7&8's went on camp at Tapawera School. We were team building to get to know each other for the year. On Thursday night, we came to school at 5:30 pm. Room 5 made their own dinner. My group had mini pizza and there were heaps of different sorts of food. Then we set up our sleeping area.

Just before dinner we had milos and sweeties. Then we went to bed. I was in the library with Madison. We laughed and giggled until 12:30 and woke up at 5:10. Madison and I laughed and woke heaps of people up. Then at 8:00 we had breakfast then at 9:00 we went to rotations.

After that we played pirates in the hall. Then half of us went swimming and the other half went to do other activities.

By Holly





Start of Year 7-8 Camp

We had some activities and games- then we had our camp concert it was awesome. We had an AMAZING sun rise from Monty! a excellent drumming song from the year 8 music class, dancing, singing and laughing. Then we had a game of Spotlight and Go Home Stay Home Spotlight. It was totally cool.

There was a variety of options for sleeping. I was in the classroom and we were talking! Then Mrs Snackers would walk in and we would all go quiet. Then she would walk out and everyone would start talking again. It stopped when she came to bed at 11pm.

On Friday morning, we had our normal subjects because our teachers had to be elsewhere. Then we had morning tea more fun games and then an awesome pool party with music!!!

I would like to say a huge thank you to parents, teachers and all other people who made our camp possible.

By Katie G



School Photos

A reminder that the date for these has changed.

School photos will now be taken on the 11 April.

FOUND

Jandals - black with white pattern. Can claim from the school office

Also have some near new unnamed, unclaimed school uniform.



A day in the flames

I sit here on my cold, green rustic looking machinery. It's hot outside with the sun glaring down at me, almost like it was watching me. I slowly push my foot down to accelerate feeling dirt beneath the dry grass being pulled up to the surface. The day shoots by. I reach for my water bottle when a drop of frozen water falls onto my hand, the water feels frozen on my tongue as I start to swallow it. Out here I feel at home. I feel happy doing what I love.

Outside there are trees as far as your eyes can see, moulding around the sides of each hill you set your eyes on. The grass is no longer green it's more of a parched brown colour, as it looks eager for even a drop of water on this scorching hot day. Suddenly I feel a sharp object on the bottom of my machine, it then shoots up my leg. Flames start to appear underneath me spreading along the parched grass, I frantically search for the keys so I can shut this all down. I realise what is happening and I feel a rush of concerned thoughts go through my head. What have I done I say to myself as my eyes start to widen, I see flames reflect of the eyes of people around me.

Hours later all I can see is huge gushing flames surrounding where I was once working. I stand here feeling like I was sinking through the ground. I quickly grounded myself. I then look to my left and I see fire engines and fire fighters trying to put out my mistake. They wear uniforms that look almost like armour. I watch them walk towards the steaming fire and the intoxicating smoke. They then merge into the smoke. Not knowing if they will come out I stand here watching and waiting.

The fire continues to grow. Loud deafening fire alarms sound off and people from all over town rush to help while others take out their cell phones to take photographs of this horrific fire. Everyone is in a hectic rush desperate to put out this fire before it spreads along the parched grass even more. All the vehicles are speeding loudly down the road pushing dirt and dust from under their tyres blending into the smoke above them. This fire is no longer spark from a rock, it is now a bushfire like no other in Nelson. Guilt rushes over me as people are evacuated from the comfort of their homes. I think to myself this place I call home is now painted charcoal and here I am hoping the artist finishes his last stroke of his brush on the canvas. I look up, the sun now glares at me once again.

Janette Chetham - Year 11

The Wilderness Canoe Trust is again running two canoe camps during the first week of the Autumn school holidays:

1. a **two day / one night 'My First Canoe Camp'** for 9 and 10 year olds, Sat 13th - Sun 14th April; and
 2. a **three day / two night 'Wilderness Canoe Camp'** for 11-14 year olds, Tues 16th - Thurs 18th April.
- Camp costs are \$120 for the younger camp and \$180 for the older camp (incl GST). These costs have been subsidised using Trust funding. More details about the camps are available on our website - <http://www.canoejourneys.co.nz>.

School Bank Account – Change Bank Provider/Account Number

The school is in the process of changing its bank provider.

This will affect many families who have automatic payments set up into the schools bank account. We are asking that if you make payment to the school via internet that the account details be changed.

The new bank account details for the school are:

ASB

Name of Account: Tapawera Area School Board of Trustees

Account No: 12-3158-0066839-00

This account is open now, so your automatic payments can be transferred to this account when it is convenient to you. Thanks.

The details will also be shown on the bottom of your next school account statement.

Please phone me if you have any queries regarding this.

Susan Ellis

Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on the 14 May, 5.45pm in the school staffroom. A reminder you are all very welcome to come along and observe.

Also as advised in this newsletter, there will be an informal evening hosted by the Board for any of you who maybe considering standing in the upcoming elections. This is an opportunity for a chat and any questions you may have.

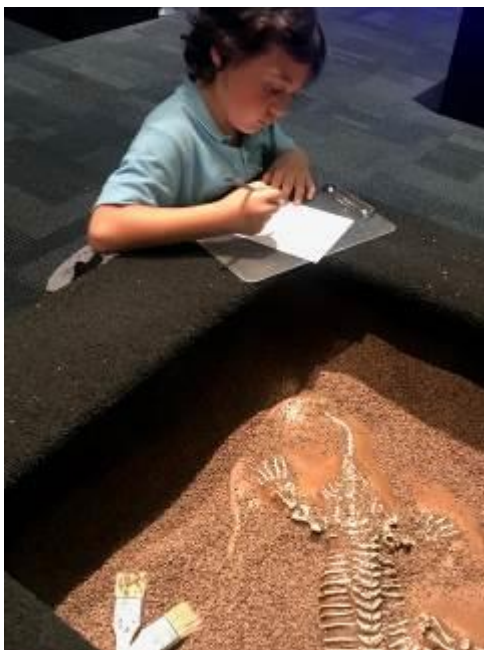
30 April, 7.30pm in the school staffroom



Life Before Dinosaurs - Permian Monsters exhibition

Room 7 visited the Nelson Museum to see the Life Before Dinosaurs Permian Monsters exhibition. The students now have some research projects under way to extend on our learning. A big thanks to all our parents for making this trip possible. When writing we have been practising using a noun, verb and an adjective.

Check out these short statements.



Room 7 went to Nelson to see the prehistoric dinosaurs. The Pelycosaur Basin Lizard blinked his eyes at me when I walked past.
By Tyler

At the museum I saw that a dinosaur looked at me. When I was walking past once it roared. When I wasn't looking one moved it's tummy.
By Holly

We went to the dinosaur museum. They were massive and the best one is a Megalodon.
By Leroy

Room 7 went to the Museum in Nelson. Pelycosaurs and Thrapsids roared at me when I walked past the prehistoric dinosaurs.
By Grace T

Colour Your Day

In collaboration with the Christchurch City Council, 24-7YW has planned a response - a way of demonstrating our love and support for all that have been impacted by Friday's events. This Friday, March 22, we are encouraging every school throughout the country, as well as community groups and businesses, to come together for a campaign called **Colour Your Day**. We will wear bright, happy colours, have a minute of silence at 1:40pm and donate towards the Mayoral Fund called, 'Our People, Our City'. By wearing bright, happy colours, we will be showing our support for our Muslim communities and the people of Christchurch.

Tapawera Area School will join in with this event on this Friday 22 April at 1.40pm at the flag pole, students to wear something colourful with school uniform.



Belinda Grice has been appointed Sports co-ordinator



Athletics: The year Tapawera made progress in the throwing events.

The annual Athletics day was a full schedule of field and track events minus the 3000m, 1500m and Triple Jump which had been completed during previous lunchtimes. This year saw the highest level of participation in optional track events for many years. The House competition was fierce and brought out the best in our students, who shouted encouragement for house members and individuals. At the end of the day, Baton House reached the top points for performance, whilst Tadmor earned top participation points.

Tom Haunch (pictured left) who had broken the Triple Jump school u14 record by 1cm with a jump of 10.27m was cheered on as he went for the school Javelin record. His third throw of the day saw him achieve 35.17m beating the old record of 31.45m set by Glen Chisnall in 2005.

Then the u14 girls javelin record was broken by Mariah Goldsworthy (pictured right). After narrowly missing out on the Discus record, she threw the Javelin 24.27m beating the old record of 18.64m set by Temika Bennett in 2004.

Earlier in the day, Grace Mytton (pictured centre) had achieved a new record in the Discus with a throw of 21.76m. This bettered a throw of 21.42m set by Melissa Shaw in 2006. Grace said, "I was really happy when I broke the school record for 14-15 girls discus. Last year I came close to breaking it but didn't quite make it which made it much more exciting when I finally accomplished my goal."

These three athletes also won regional honours at the recent event at Saxtons Field and now will go forward to represent Tapawera Area School at the South Island competition in a couple of weeks. In addition to this, the school managed a number of third placings. Janette Chetham in the U16 girls Javelin, Matu Carleton-Heta in the U15 boys Discus, Asher Beganio in the U14 boys High Jump and Long Jump and Grace Mytton in the U16 girls Shot Put.

Tom Haunch threw just under 38m to win the U14 boys Javelin, falling just short of the regional record. Mariah Goldsworthy who is new to the event, threw the Javelin 29.74m, less than a metre outside the regional record to claim the U14 girls honour, whilst Grace Mytton threw just over 25m in the Discus event, for the first time, to take out the U16 girls title.

Grace Mytton, "Last year I went to regionals for discus and shotput but when I got there I didn't perform to the level I knew I could which really disappointed me. This year I went and I came third in shotput and first in discus, which was really exciting for me because I know that all my hard work has paid off. To qualify for South Island's, you had to place either first or second at Regionals so when I came first in discus that meant I qualified."



"I'm really excited to go to this event because I have never competed at that level before. I think it will be really fun and challenging."

All three of them extended their school records, set the previous week. Mariah did go on to maintain something of the school's tradition when she narrowly managed to win the U14 girls Triple Jump. Tom Haunch said, "I feel great pride in my achievements. To be part of school history was an honour, alongside my sister, Tess Haunch in the Triple Jump record book. Now making my own way in the Javelin, I am excited and nervous to be attending the South Island competition."

This has been the outcome of hard work on their part, with practice after school and competition at Twilight events organised at the Saxton Athletics track either side of the Christmas break. For students at a rural school, this takes commitment and self-belief. We at the school and in the Tapawera community are proud of their efforts.

Kelvin Woodley, Tapawera's Principal, commented that "The team spirit around athletics was exceptional and a reflection of the current school spirit and atmosphere. Special thanks are owed to Stephen Haunch the school PE teacher and coach. Few realise what a treasure we have in Stephen who spends lunchtimes and personal time encouraging, transporting and supporting our athletes."



School Trustee Elections – 7th June 2019

This School Trustee election will be the first time this school has voted into the triennial voting process.

A summary of what you will be deciding on these elections.

There will be five parent positions. 3 will be for a three year term, and 2 will be for an eighteen month term.

When candidates submit their nomination, they will indicate if they are standing for the 3 year term, or the eighteen month term.

When voting papers are issued to eligible voters, the voting paper will clearly indicate the two term options. Voters will be able to vote for up to three candidates in the three year term, and two candidates in the eighteen month term.

To get the triennial voting cycle operating for this school, there will be another election in eighteen months to fill the vacancies of the two successful candidates in the initial eighteen month election, but the length of term will later be for three years.

This all sounds rather complicated, but once the election on 7th June has happened, the election process will become a lot clearer.

The Board are hosting an informal evening for parents/caregivers/ and those who may be deciding they need more information before putting their name forward as a candidate.

This will be held on the 30th April, 7.30pm in the school staffroom. This will be an opportunity where you can talk to current board members with any queries you may have about parent trusteeship.

I can also be contacted at any time with your queries.

Susan Ellis

Returning Officer

Special Olympics Swimming in Blenheim

On Wednesday Simone and Motu hopped into a school van and went to pick up Matt, Tyler and Katharine (Mum). We drove to Blenheim, we had to stop for lots of road works. When the man said go we went into Blenheim to the swimming pool Stadium 2000. We got changed into our togs. Motu said the oath then we got ready for our race. We got some certificates. Matt got a 3rd in 50m for freestyle and 4th for 25m freestyle. So I entered 2 races and Motu got four 1st in 50m freestyle, 25m freestyle, 25m backstroke and relay with garin College. Tyler got two 3rd for 25m kickboard and 15m kickboard and 4th in 25m freestyle. Simone got 2nd in 15m kickboard and 5th in 25m freestyle. It was a good day for swimming it was a good trip on the way back. Thank you Kath for coming and helping out on the day.

By Matt and Motu



Students enjoying corn cobs from the school garden





Room 6 has been busy over the last few weeks...



Creating our own comic book superheroes for our writing. Students have created and come up with their own character traits. They are now working on some fantastic onomatopoeia.



For Science we are having fun researching and doing experiments with elements from the periodic table





Year 10 Social Science

In Social Science, the Year 10 students are working on a unit put out by School Kit Are You There Yet? This is in recognition that this year is 125th Year since Women's Suffrage Movement and women obtained the vote. The objective of this unit is to find out what women have done with their lives during their lifetime.

Students have gone through the process of establishing in pairs producing closed to open-ended questions. Grouping them together and establishing them in chronological order in relation to time. At the same time, they brainstormed a list of local women who in their opinion have contributed a lot to our local community. The students then contacted the person and arranged an interview time. The student's interview as a two-person team. They have found if one student is off school or away they need to step up as the sole interviewer. If working together a non-verbal method of interruption is set up between them so they do not talk over each other. The students also need to be listening to opportunities as to when they can probe further with their line of questioning.

Students have to interview eight women. To date, Michelle Morgan, Sharon Rogers, Jeanette Booth and Barbara Carleton have been interviewed and others are in the pipe line. This week students are away on their age group Camp.

So, this is an evolving unit. The students have yet to come up with the final decision of how they will present the work to School Kit or to their teacher. Their options are open!!



Year 7 found making "subtractive charcoal drawings" lots of fun and very messy.



Some of Room 7s Fabulous Colour Poems

Red is like a volcano erupting
Red birds flying in the shining sky
Red planes flying
The sun is red like fire.
The sun is as red as Rudolph's nose
Laver as red as flames
Sun is as hot as red
Red blood dripping from your knee
Sun to burn your skin, turns red
Red is like a blaze of fire in Rudolph's nose and is as bright as the sun
The sun is like a ball of fire that is always somewhere
Red is an erupting volcano
Aliens in place, flags and red shirts
Red fizzy water
Red leaves
Red paper
Red like the glittering sun
Red like lizards sunbathing in the sun
Red sun
Fire in the sky
Red like a fire flaming in the sky
Red like the sparking rose
The flaming colours from a dress of fire flickers in the dark. It makes a sort of song as it moves around
I like red because apples are red.
Do you like red?

Green trees are for dinosaurs to eat and sleep in

Violet fish swimming in the reef
Violet gold shimmering when you hold it in the sun

Indigo is cool and awesome
Indigo is a copy of the indigo lantern

Violet a very light type of purple
Violet sparkles in the sea
Violet is nice with me and you
Violet is beautiful, it smells in a flower, it flaps in the wind
Violet is like the sunshine at sunset



Artist: Hayden Owen-Wright

WANTED
Newspapers for
the Art Room
Thank you



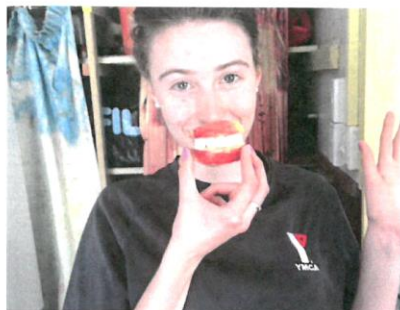
Artist: Abi Hatton



Artist: Kate Mytton

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What We Do

- Children are picked up from school; walking/ bus/taxi/YMCA Shuttle
- Afternoon tea - light, tasty and nourishing snacks
- Homework supervision and support
- Exercise through outdoor games, sports and play
- Free play, with use of art and craft resources

OSCAR After School Programme

At YMCA Nelson we currently offer five fun filled after school programmes for children ages 5-13 years.

Our programmes are located in Central Nelson, Nayland and Brightwater Schools.

All programmes offer a variety of quality experiences for children to take part in including, community excursions, sports, arts and crafts, games.

After School and Holiday Programmes

Programmes

- Minimum of two staff on at all times.
- Staff/Child ratio 1:10.
- During excursions ratio is no more than 1:8 depending on the risk analysis.
- Staff are trained to provide inclusive experiences for all children.
- Children are informed of the boundaries and are expected to stay in them.
- Children are fully supervised unless it is inappropriate (i.e. in the toilet).

School Holiday Programmes

The OSCAR Holiday programmes start on the first weekday of each school holiday period, for two weeks. (except the Christmas period for 4 Weeks) We run three programmes YMCA Hall Victory, Central Nelson and Nayland School.

Registrations for holiday programmes open approximately 4 weeks before the holidays start and the new programme schedule of

Fee Structure

OSCAR After School Care

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Fees Per Day (3-5pm) | \$10.50 |
| Fees Per Day (3-6pm) | \$14.00 |
| Full Week | \$65.00 |

School Holiday Programme

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|---------------------|----------|
| Full Day | \$48.00 |
| Full Week/Full Days | \$200.00 |

Absences

Parents & Caregivers are required to notify the YMCA of any absences, for any reason, as soon as possible. This will eliminate unnecessary concern and time in tracking your child's whereabouts. Parents & Caregivers are responsible for ensuring the YMCA has up to date contact and special care details.



Feeding the ducks and the Queens Garden.

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Year 10 on Camp this week at Kaiteriteri

