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Vision

To work together in a positive, supportive environment, providing excellence in teaching and learning, where all people are respected and skills for life are developed.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

WELCOME

We welcome Alyssa Jordan and Aidan Seyb into Room 10. We wish them happy times at East Taieri.



TERM FOUR DATES

DECEMBER

8 Dec	• Yr 6 Rafting
8 Dec	• Junior Duathlon
9 Dec	• BBQ
15 Dec	• Carol Services
16 Dec	• Last day of term

2012

Term Dates

31 January – 5 April	Term 1
23 April – 29 June	Term 2
16 July – 28 Sept	Term 3
15 October – 18 December	Term 4

PARENT INFORMATION

BOT MEETING – Tonight in the staffroom at 5.30pm

NEW ENROLMENTS

If you know of any new families intending to enrol children at East Taieri next year, who have not yet filled in enrolment forms, please ask them to do so as soon as possible as we have started looking at the composition of classes.

CLASSES FOR 2012

Because our predicted starting roll for 2012 is lower than that of this year we will be starting with 12 classes – 4 in each syndicate. Should you have any issues regarding placement of your child/children, please see me by the end of November.

Our proposed structure for the syndicates is as follows:

SENIOR SYNDICATE

Room1	Yr 5/6	Miss Clague
Room 2	Yr 5/6	Miss Agnew
Room 3	Yr 5/6	Mr Thorn
Room 4	Yr 4/5	Mr Hoffman

MIDDLE SYNDICATE

Room 8	Yr 3/4	Mrs O'Neill
Room 7	Yr 3/4	Mrs Parker
Room 6	Yr 3	Mr Powell
Room 5	Yr 2/3	Miss Holgate

JUNIOR SYNDICATE

Room 12	Yr 2	Miss Brown
Room 11	Yr 1/2	Mrs Lewis-Dickson
Room 10	Yr 0/1	Mrs Boyens
Room 9	Yr 0/1	Mrs Read

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

These are the final accounts for the year. Annette would appreciate them being paid asap so she can complete her end of year accounts. If you have any problems with this payment please see her. For electronic banking our account is 06-0901-0273997-00.

SCHOOL UNIFORM UPDATE

The uniform has now been finalised and approved by the Board of Trustees and will be on display in the office before the end of term with a full price list. Information on this will also be included in a newsletter around the same time. Families can purchase the uniform from the school from the beginning of next year and a range of samples will be available for parents to confirm sizes. The uniform will be optional for 2012, compulsory for students year 5 and below from 2013, and compulsory for all students from 2014.

The uniform is in the East Taieri School colours of jade and navy and consists of a polo top, a choice of skort or culottes for girls, shorts for the boys, a polar fleece, merino jersey, tracksuit pants and jacket. Parents can select their preference from these items. The current sports top can also be worn, and children can wear their own raincoats if preferred. All items have our school logo.

The committee would like to thank parents, staff and the Board for all their suggestions and recommendations. While catering for everyone's wish list was difficult, we have tried to accommodate those of the majority. Consideration was given to not only price and quality but also our climate and how active our children are.

YEAR 6 CAMP

Thanks to Peter Thorn for organising another great Bannockburn camp for our Year 6 students. What a fabulous range of activities the group experienced. I was lucky to join the group for their day at Arrowtown and Queenstown. We are so fortunate to have such great families at East Taieri, the parents looking as though they were enjoying camp as much as the children!

On the 21 November the Year 6 children left for camp at Bannockburn. We visited the Clyde Dam and the most exciting part was watching the flood gates open. Back to Camp for a BBQ tea and settling into camp.

On the Tuesday we went into activity groups where we did archery, climbing wall, tent pitching, high ropes, flying fox and a walk to Stuart Town. The climbing wall was the biggest challenge for everyone. In the afternoon it was into the swimming pool to cool off!

Wednesday - early start to the day 6am!! Clean up and breakfast. Off to Arrowtown to the Museum and then gold mining at the river. We also walked around the Chinese Village in Arrowtown. The afternoon we spend in Queenstown going up the Gondala and lugging. Lots of crashes but no broken bones. Tea was at McDonald's. Back to camp to play "Break In" but had to wait until dark - 11pm!!

Thursday - Day of activities - kayaking, mountain biking, air rifling, raft building,



abseiling and boating. At night we had our concert.

Friday - clean up and pack to go home. Very tired children, teachers and parents.

By: Hamish Brown



OTAGO ATHLETICS CHAMPS

Congratulations to all who competed in last week's Otago Athletics Champs. Special mention must be made of Gracie Va'afusuaga for winning the Otago Under 10yrs long jump and to Mikayla Thorn (pupil from last year) who won the Otago Under 12yrs high jump section.

Participants were: Matt Hanrahan, Tim Chirnside, Amber Cunningham, Cade McRae, Sam Clydesdale, Gracie Va'afusuaga, Grace Brensell, Tommy Wilson and Jack Divers and 2 relay teams - Under 10 boys Cade McRae, Sam Pitchers, Kyran Miller-Bowler, Ben Hackfath and under 10 girls Gracie V, Eve Nicholls, Sarah Johnstone and Erin Dickie. Gracie was 1st in her heat and semi final and 3rd in the final of the 60m sprint. Gracie also **WON** the under 10 girls long jump.



All the competitors did their absolute best and tried extremely hard against some very tough competition. They represented our school very well and should all be proud of their efforts. It was a privilege and a pleasure to be able to go in with the children and look after the team for the day. :-)

Jolene

VALUES STARS

- Cory Campbell & Toby McLeod – for helping Mrs King collect samples from the school stream for testing by the ORC



COLOUR DIAMANTE POEMS – By: Room 13

Red
fiery shiny
bleeding burning sizzling
dynamite berry lava boxing
racing crashing hurting
bright ruby
Red

By: Max Stowell

Blue
Sky bright
swimming sparkling swirling
juicy sad cold sea
swishing eye catching warming
light beautiful
Blue

By: Philippa King

Red
Hot bright
bleeding boxing crackling
apple lips lava fire
burning sizzling fighting
dark angry
Red

By: Olivia Ellis

Red
lava light
bubbling burning bleeding
tiger volcano fire octopus
warming shining warming
pinky orangey
Red

By: Oscar Jensen

SCHOOL NEWS

HOME & SCHOOL NEWS

GRAND TOTAL for the Country Fair - \$20,700.00. Amazing effort. A BIG THANK YOU to all who supported this.

JUNIOR ATHLETICS DAY

Unfortunately due to wet grounds and erratic weather condition we had to cancel the Athletics Day last Thursday. We are have a Junior Duathlon on Thursday December 8 for 5,6 & 7 year olds. More details to follow.

FLURO VESTS

These are available from the office. If you walk, ride, scooter or are a bus pupil, this is compulsory for you to have.

A BIG THANK YOU TO FULTON HOGAN for their donation that enabled us to purchase these vest and to NZ Safety for printing the logo.

BOOK CLUB ORDERS

These went out last week. Orders **close on Thursday 1 December.**

LIBRARY NEWS

Could all Library Books and Home Readers please be returned to school. Good time to check under beds and on book shelves. There will be a sale of withdrawn books this Thursday at lunchtime. 50c per book – 5 books for \$2.00 and other books \$1.00 each.

SMART LUNCHES

There will be NO HOT LUNCHES on a Wednesday. These will not start until the 2nd term next year.

WANTED - FOR THE SANTA FLOAT

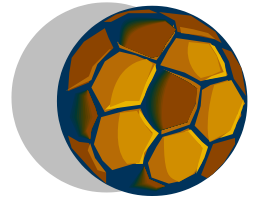
If you would like your children to be on the Santa Float this year please ring Debbie Smythe 489 0918 or 0272799179. The theme this year is Cowboys & Indians.



SPORTS RESULTS

FLIPPA BALL

- ET TORU Won 10-1. Player of the Day: Jacob Philp
ET RUA Won 8-3. Awesome teamwork and passing. Players of the Day: Lucy Cotter for fantastic shooting & Jared Preston for fantastic defence.
ET TAHI Won 3-2 on Saturday. Player of the Day: Tyler Summers
Lost 6-2 on Sunday. Player of the Day: Anna Thomas
There will be a new draw out for Sunday 4 December to accommodate the Santa Parade.



COMMUNITY NEWS



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19,20,21,22,23 DECEMBER FOR ALL 12YRS AND UNDER.

AT OTAGO BOYS HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM AND TENNIS COURTS
AND MOANA POOL.

9.30 TO 2.30 EACH DAY

BRING YOUR TOGS & BADMINTON RACKET AND LUNCH
RACKETS PROVIDED IF YOU DON'T HAVE ONE.

WHEN YOU REGISTER.

\$35.00 A DAY. YOU CAN DO ONE OR ALL FIVE DAYS.

TOTAL COST \$175.00

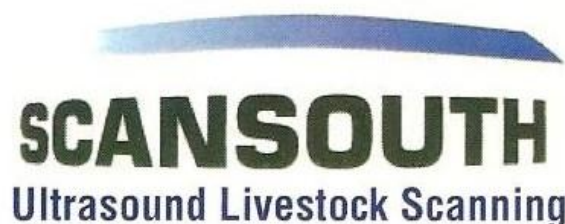
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NUMBERS WILL BE LIMITED.



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WEETBIX TRYathlon

Entering the TRYathlon

There are two ways to enter

1. In a School Group
2. Individually

School Group Entry

School Group entry is an easy way for school or class groups to enter the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon. To qualify as a group you must register at least 4 children in any one event.

You will need to register school details in the schools & groups section at

<http://tryathlon.weetbix.co.nz/who-can-enter/schools-groups.aspx> You can start registering your students whenever you like. You will only need to pay 2 weeks prior to the event.

SCHOOLS GROUP PACKAGE

If you register 15 or more children in your School Group*, Sanitarium will;

Courier race packs to your school for free, plus your school will receive a complimentary group photo and go in the event day draw to win \$500 worth of sporting goods.

The qualifying schools who do not get drawn to win sporting goods will all have a chance to win a fantastic playground from Platinum Play or five free entries to the 2013 Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon Series.

* To be eligible for the Special Offer you must register your group of 15 children 2 weeks prior to the event date.

Personal Entry

If you are unsure about whether you will enter a school group it is a good idea to get the students to register at home as they can always link to the school account later on to receive school group benefits.

- Kids can enter by going online at www.weetbix.co.nz,
- Or by calling our Customer Services Team on **09 531 5080**.



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