

The Catlins Area School Newsletter 19 October 2018

From the Principal:

Welcome back to Term 4! I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome our new students **Keera Wells** (Year 5, Room 19) and Hayden Wells (Year 3, Room 3), who are relocating from Tokoiti School in Milton, **Yui** (Year 7), **Kaiyo** (Year 5, Room 19) and **Mika Nakajima** (Year 1, Room 2) who are relocating from Clyde Primary School, and to **Brooklyn Landreth** who is joining Room 2 as a new entrant. Welcome to our TCAS family!

Planting Days for the Yellow Eyed Penguin Trust

Year 5-8 Long Point Planting Day on Tuesday 23rd October, Year 9-10 Long Point Planting Day on Wednesday 24th October. Please ensure your child has suitable wet/cold weather gear, gumboots, garden gloves and a shovel if possible. We will be out all day, so students need to bring lunch, (no facility for heating items).

PTC Challenge

On the last day of Term 3, students in Years 6-8 participated in the Police Training Challenge in Balclutha. We entered four teams who all paced well amongst the thirty two participating teams. The Catlins 1 Team placed highest at 6th, just 30 seconds behind the winning team. Catlins 1 completed the challenge in 3 minutes and 31 seconds.



Constable Gordon visited our Year 7-10 students this week, spreading a message of Cyber Safety. She reinforced to students the importance of knowing who you are communicating with online, avoiding sharing images of yourself or personal information, and what to do if you see something on the internet that concerns you.

NetSafe have provided a great guide for parents which supports Constable Gordon's message. It can be found here: www.netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/.

Career Pathway Expo

I have attached a flier for the upcoming Career Pathway Expo in Balclutha, organised by Clutha Development. It will be held at the Cross Recreational Centre on Saturday November 10th. Clutha Development states: "This is a great opportunity for kids, parents and job seekers to come along and connect with local businesses and explore possible career opportunities available in the Clutha District."

Food Bank Mufti - 6th November

As part of our Year 13's Spirit/Leavers Week, students will be invited to participate in a Book Character Mufti Day. Dress up as your character from your favourite book! Instead of a gold coin donation, we will be collecting non-perishable food items to donate to the local food bank ahead of Christmas. Your donations will be gratefully accepted; we will sort and transport them the Balclutha Salvation Army Food Bank. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Hats

A notice was distributed to parents during the holidays as a reminder that in Terms 4 and 1 it is necessary to wear a hat when playing outside at interval and lunchtime. Hats should be plain navy, with a wide brim such as those pictured below. Both styles are available at The Warehouse in Balclutha or through their online uniform service: www.thewarehouse.co.nz/c/schools. Caps or other hats which leave ears exposed are not suitable.



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Kate Staniford
Principal

Upcoming Events:

Monday 22nd October - Labour Day - **No school**

Tuesday 23rd October - Year 5-8 Yellow Eyed Penguin Trust Planting Day

Tuesday 23rd October - BOT Meeting - 6.30pm

Wednesday 24th October - Year 9-10 Yellow Eyed Penguin Trust Planting Day

Thursday 25th October - Otago University Chemistry Outreach and Science for Supper

Tuesday 30th October - 2nd November - Y7/8 Camp

Wednesday 31st October - Mat's Fun Run - Lunchtime - \$2 Donation towards a NZ Youth Charity

Tuesday 6th November - Food Bank Mufti Day

Wednesday 7th November - Prizegiving - 6.30pm

Monday 12th November - Hangi

Tuesday 20th November - PB4L Staff training Day - No school for Y1-10

Friday 23rd November - Pet Day

Wednesday 12th December - Beach Day and Reports Sent Home

Thursday 13th December - Term 4 ends

Year 7 and 8 Camp

Camp equipment check will take place during the day **on Thursday 25th Oct**. This equipment will remain at school until we leave for camp (attached are two fliers):

- 1 Beanie and gloves.
- 2 Sun hat
- 3 Tent
- 4 Waterproof Jacket
- 5 Sleeping bag
- 6 Polyprop long johns and long sleeve top
- 7 Back Pack
- 8 Cooker and Billy/pan

This is necessary in order to arrange the replacement of an unsuitable gear.

Head Lice

Can I please ask families to check their students' hair as we have had a report that adult head lice was found in a middle school student's hair. If found, please treat accordingly.

School Health and Safety

Student emergency marshals from Room 3 to Year 10 were voted for and appointed to assist teachers with the orderly evacuation of their peers in the event of a fire, earthquake or other emergency situation. These students were able to get a feel for the job during an earthquake drill on Thursday morning. Feedback and suggestions from the students will be sort in the days that follow.



From left to right: Lana Magiera, Poppy Staniford, Tim Magiera, Mathew Dreaver, Archie Valli, Jade Gutsell, Ebony Cooper and Nicole Sinclair.

7/8 School Camp to Mavora.

The departure date for the camp is rapidly approaching and camp fees are due to the office.

Parents are reminded that any concerns/questions should be directed to the school office in good time for them to be acted on.

Library News

The Library is closed for repainting and for the annual stock take from next week. **Can students please return ALL library books to the library as soon as possible in order for the stock take to be completed.**

Thank you!

Anabel McPhee

School Librarian

Pet Day 2018

Now's the time to get your pet lambs and other pets, and begin their training. Pet Day 2018 will be held on **Friday 23rd November**... more details closer to the time! This is the day before the A & P show which will mean your animals will be clean and ready to go for the show the next day, and creative creations can also be entered as well for the A & P show. Please note, **NO CALVES** will be allowed at Pet Day this year, due to the eradication and containment process of the disease, Mycoplasma bovis.

We are potentially looking at introducing a pony section, but these would have to be very well-behaved and have a responsible person to help look after them.

Any questions please contact Annie Jackson andrew.anniejackson@gmail.com or 027 4825282

Sport News

Touch

The final grading game was held yesterday in spectacular weather and organisers will be working on the final sections team will be playing in with the full season draw expected early next week.

South Otago Touch trials were held earlier this week and we would like to congratulate **Cooper Cleland** who was selected in the U/12 Boys team and **Hattie Kerr** in the U/14 girls team.

Hockey

In the school holidays **Hattie Kerr** travelled to Auckland to compete at the Under 13 Hockey Collier Trophy. This tournament was contested by 22 representative teams from across New Zealand, and Otago was placed 6th overall which is an outstanding achievement and the highest placing in over 15 years.

The girls had a tough schedule playing seven games over six days with some nail biting games, one going into extra time, then a penalty shootout finishing in the win. Despite the schedule, the girls were able to fit in a little shopping, a swim at local beaches, had guest speakers George Muir and Maddy Doar, visit from the Black Sticks players and on the final night joined up with the Tauranga hockey team who were staying at same motel for a talent show. What an amazing achievement Hattie; TCAS is very proud of your commitment and dedication to the game.



Sports Department

Community News

Tahakopa School

Halloween Disco on **Friday 26th October** from 6.30pm to 9.00pm

At the Tahakopa Hall

Come along and join in the fun and games. \$5.00 per person

The Catlins Area School Home & School
will be holding a **Sausage Sizzle** at the
Owaka Museum Market Day tomorrow
starting at approx. 11.00am
Sausage and bread \$2.00
Thank you for your support!