

IMPORTANT DATES TERM 3 2015	
10/9/15	BOT Meeting
14/9/15	Golf lesson for each class
21/9/15	Golf lesson for each class
25/9/15	End of Term 3 Jump Rope for Heart Skip-a-thon
12 October	Term 4 Commences Tennis coaching
2 November	School Photos 1pm

Even though it was a little overcast and the clear sunny skies of the previous few year's eluded us, it didn't stop everyone from having a brilliant day and loads of fun on the slopes of the Remarkables. I always marvel at the progress the children, some who have never skied before, make after one lesson. Thank you PTA for your generosity and support in making it possible for every child to have the opportunity to choose to participate at the minimal cost of \$10 each.

The end of term 3 is fast approaching and already the teachers are planning not only for term 4 but we are also reviewing the programmes we will be offering to our students in 2016. At our last staff meeting we made some changes to our Leadership Programme for our Year 7&8 students which will be implemented in 2016. We have included an insert in today's newsletter outlining these.

Many of you will have read in a recent newspaper article that we are one of the nine schools in Northern Southland looking at forming a Community of Schools Cluster group. This is a Ministry of Education funded initiative aimed at improving communication between schools and developing smoother pathways across schools for students, as they transition from primary to secondary education. It will improve achievement outcomes for students by setting common educational targets and providing teachers with professional development opportunities through collaboration and a sharing of expertise. There are still a lot of steps to be made in the process of forming a cluster which we will be working toward over the next few months.

Assembly News

'Amazing Children' Lucky Draw Winners

Friday 21 August 2015

Ianthe Macmillan Armstrong – working quietly in Kiwi class.

School Values – Caring for myself and others.

Friday 4 September 2015

Jasper Carter - for having very interactive news about the environment that got the whole class excited.

School Values - caring for the environment.

Class Awards

Friday 21 August 2015

Room Kiwi – Leah Jordan - working really hard presenting her work neatly.

Room Hohoi – Charlie Carran – a great Hobbit invitation.

Room Tui – Nicole Green – great writing about early Maori hunting techniques.

Friday 4 September 2015

Room Kiwi – Dylan Canton – focussing so well on his reading practice. Great expressive reading.

Room Hohoi – Logan Salter – for constructing an awesome waka.

Room Tui – Sam Smeaton – showing an excellent understanding of stem and leaf graphs.

Important Notice

We have updated our photo publication consent form to include the Kids Restore the Kepler Facebook page.

This must be completed for every family a.s.a.p and returned to the school office.

School Uniform

A school uniform order will be placed on **Friday 18 September** and this will be the last order for the year. If you require items for next year please phone the school office for an order form. Some items take a long time to come through from our current supplier hence the reason we are ordering now.

Second hand items

We do have a selection of second hand items if you require more uniform please phone the school office.

Sun hats

Please note that from the start of term 4 your child/ren will need to bring a sun hat to wear during play and lunchtime. The hats that we have at school are for emergencies when your child forgets their's. We do not have enough hats for all the children so if they don't have one they will spend all their time under the sunshade!

PGG Wrightson & Ballance Cash for Communities

Please remember that you can sign up for Cash for Communities and donate to the school at www.cashforcommunities.co.nz

The programme allocates \$1 per tonne of Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser purchased between 1 September and 30 November to our school if you nominate us. Thank you.

COFFEE MORNING

We are a Fiordland Support Group for parents raising other people's children.

For further info <http://fosteringkids.org.nz/>

Tuesday 15th September at 10am

12 Jackson Street, Te Anau

If you want to talk confidentially to others that care, please come along. Contact: Jane 2499511

FIORDLAND SWIMMING CLUB

Registrations will be taken for the Fiordland Swimming Club for the 2015/16 season on Wednesday 16th September at the Events Centre between 3-4.30pm.

The club is open to children aged 6years (by November 1st) and over who are confident in water, they must be able to put their head under water.

Season fees are \$60 per child, (reduced rates for 3 or more children) this does **not** include entry to the pool. Payment is due at registration. Pool entry fee to be advised at registration and paid at this time.

Swimming club night is Wednesday Term one and four.

Due to limited numbers no enrolments will be taken after registration date.

Any queries please contact Leigh Schuck 249 9313or leighschuck@gmail.com

SOUTHERN REAP

Computing Confidence for Beginners (Adults) TE ANAU

Learn "beginner level" skills to increase your confidence using a computer*.

Kirsty will cover: Logging-In and Logging-Out of your computer correctly and safely, utilising the different Internet Browsers, how to Email, managing Photos and connecting External Devices.

* Computers are supplied for the class.

DATE: Saturday 17 OCTOBER

TIME: 9:30am - 3:30pm - please bring your own lunch

COST: \$40

VENUE: Fiordland College

For more information or to enrol please phone Tracey or Lynley at Southern REAP on 0800 111 117 or 03 236 6008

Skiing at the Remarkables & Rockclimbers



Tennis coaching available during Term 4 with professional tennis coach Pete White. Monday and Tuesday after school. For further information and to register interest please contact Tarn Willans 0273654456. Thanks