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Newsletter of the Tapanui School Board of Trustees

12th April 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Your Board met on Tuesday for the second meeting of the year to review the progress of the school for Term 1 and to plan for the remaining school year.

Property

The Innovative Learning Environment (ILE) building project for the Matai Hub is in the Ministry's hands and is still several months away from even starting.

Pomahaka Kāhui Ako (Community of Learning)

Staff and Board members from the cluster of schools and Kidzway had a successful meeting at the end of February. Everyone was brought up to date with the direction and drive of the Kāhui Ako.

In the second week of March the Ministry advised that our Achievement Challenges had been endorsed. We can now proceed with the appointments of the Across School Lead Teacher, the Within School Leads and the Support Principal Roles.

Filipino Exchange

We are looking forward to the arrival of 7 students from the Philippines for a week at the start of May. What a great opportunity for our children to learn about another culture first hand and thank you to the host families for welcoming these boys into their homes.

General

What a busy Term we have had. The students have had some great opportunities for education outside of the classroom - athletics, swimming, playground visit, Rimu Hub Camp to Te Anau etc. Congratulations to those students who have gone on to represent our school at Otago or Southland levels. The recent Swimming Carnival was a great opportunity to see the improvements made by all children at different levels and was a great opportunity to celebrate their growth in ability and confidence.

The Rimu Hub school camp to Te Anau was a highlight for many students, creating so many memories. Well done to all the staff that organised it, you did an awesome job. A special thanks to the parents that gave up their time and provided their vehicles to make the camp the success that it was, these kind of activities could not happen without your help.

Successful Three Way Interviews were held in mid-March with about a 95% attendance.

To the students and families that have joined us in 2018 we hope you are enjoying your time at Tapanui School, we look forward to getting to know you better throughout the year.

The next meeting of the Tapanui School Board of Trustees is to be held on May 22nd at 5.30pm.

Have a safe and happy holiday period and we look forward to seeing you in Term Two.

Kind regards,

Zita Young

Board Chairperson