



## Newsletter No 22

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Quite often we are encouraged to deny the competitive element in activities and focus on the co-operative aspect in things that we are doing. This week I had the privilege to accompany four school teams to Gore to participate in the E Pro 8 Challenge where they were able to combine the two.

E Pro 8 is design and building in a problem solving context. Each team of four is given a whole stand of materials - wires, switches, clips, aluminium rods of varying lengths and tools to construct various objects. These objects are based around a theme and the children get to choose which theme they adopt. This year they could choose between Fire Engines, A solar Power system, A Magic Hat or A bed for Uncle. The task developed and the children were assigned points as they moved through the design process.

In the Fire Engine, the task began with building a ladder which was 1.8 metres long and had rungs that had to be less than thirty centimetres apart. This was worth thirty points. For an additional 40 points they had to design and build a trolley to which the ladder could be attached. The ladder had to be self supporting and to be able to be swung from one side of the trolley to the other. The final part of the task necessitated the building of a fire engine to support the trolley. It had to have wheels and indicators to turn right and left. This gave you an additional 50 points.

Two Tapanui Teams went head to head for the title of winning the Gore event. The competitive element was there, but the teams worked cooperatively within themselves to complete tasks, assigning individual assignments and getting on with the job. To the very last minute we were uncertain who would win. Our other two teams worked in an equally collaborative manner.

The two teams who came first and second have qualified for the Southland event to be held on the afternoon of Tuesday 14 August in Invercargill.



Jill Craw, Deputy Principal



# E Pro 8 2018

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<http://www.tapanuischool.nz>

**SCHOOL INTERVIEWS** If you have not already booked your interview, can this please be completed over the weekend.

These interviews are for parents/caregivers, teacher and student on Thursday 9 August 3.30-8.15pm and Friday 10 August 1.30pm - 5pm. (Please note date change due to a teacher union action day taking place after school)

As in previous years you will be able to book your interview on-line by going to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz), putting in the school code, selecting your child's teacher and then booking your time. The booking code is **avnqz**. You may also contact the office and Sonia can make a booking for you.

Matai Hub students please book interviews with the teacher that takes your child for Literacy and Maths. Rimu Hub students please book the interview with the Caregroup Teacher and any other Rimu Hub teacher you may like to see based on the initials following subject comments in the school report sent home.

Although Interviews run in the AFTERNOON of Friday 10 August, the school has to remain open. However, to ensure these run smoothly it would be appreciated if you could make other arrangements for your children from 12.30pm on this day.

For those who are unable to make arrangements for their children, please advise the school office and supervision will be arranged.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB** Issue 5 has been sent home this week. Orders close on Monday 13 August. If paying by cheque, please make out to Tapanui School.

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TOILET PAPER FUNDRAISER

48 rolls (400sheets per roll) for \$45. Individually wrapped, 2ply.  
Order forms have been sent home today. Orders close 20 August, please send order form and money into the school office.

UPCOMING EVENTS



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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Thurs/Fri 9&10 Aug  | Three Way Interviews  |
| Wed 14 Aug          | ICAS Maths            |
| Wed 22 Aug          | SO Cross Country      |
| Fri 24 Aug          | Whole School Assembly |
| Wed/Thur 19&20 Sept | School Production     |
| Wed/Thur 26&27 Sept | Life Education Visit  |
| Thurs 27 Sept       | PTA Disco             |
| Fri28 Sept          | Whole School Assembly |
|                     | Last Day of Term 3    |



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With over \$750,000 having been distributed back to Schools throughout the country this programme is having a direct benefit on many communities.



As a Southfuels customer you can nominate a participating school who will receive 50 cents for every 100 Litres of bulk fuel that you have delivered.



We accrue these funds and when a participating school has reached \$1000 through the programme they can choose to redeem the funds on either a technology or sports equipment package. It is that easy!

### NOMINATING YOUR SCHOOL

When you sign up with Southfuels, just nominate one of the participating schools in your area.

If you are an existing Southfuels client and want to jump on board call your Account Manager or 0800 4 THE KIDS today to nominate a participating school.

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 Web [www.southfuels.co.nz](http://www.southfuels.co.nz)

**FUELS FOR SCHOOLS** thank you to the families that have nominated Tapanui in the Fuel for School programme. \$63.02 has been earned this quarter.

In May the school received \$1000 of equipment through the Fuel for School programme.

If you purchase fuel from Southfuels and would like to nominate Tapanui School, please refer to flyer to the left for further information.

FREE TO A GOOD HOME

3 Fluffy White Bantam hens

Please contact Jill Crow

## SOCCER DRAW SATURDAY 3 AUGUST

This is the final weekend  
 6th and 8th grade are at 9.30  
 10th grade there will be a fun game for all who turn up at 8.50 (start time) on new field at flood bank end of hyde park

