

Newsletter

9 April 2021



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Upcoming Events

2021

12 Apr Y7 and Y8 Technology, Catlins
14 Apr Sports Activator at school
15 Apr BOT meeting at 3.00pm, school
16 Apr Assembly at 2.10pm, everyone welcome
16 Apr Reports and Portfolios out
16 Apr Last day of term 1

03 May Start of term 2
03 May Y7 and Y8 Technology, Catlins
4-12 May Three Way Conferences for families
10 May Y7 and Y8 Technology, Catlins
13 May BOT meeting at 3.00pm, school
17 May Y7 and Y8 Technology, Catlins
21 May Gymnastics display at the hall, 2.00pm
24 May Y7 and Y8 Technology, Catlins
25-28 May NZEI Principals Conference

Prime Lamb Competition

Thank you to everyone who supported this event



Our Stars



The following children worked hard on their homework and achieved 100%.

Spelling Stars:

Week 8 – no tests done

Week 9 – Jacquelyn, Clark, Harley, Sarah

Basic Facts Stars:

Week 8 – no tests done

Week 9 – Jacquelyn, Harley, Sarah

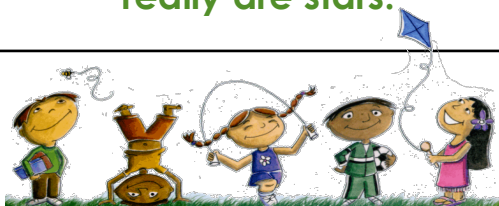
Learning Stars:

These are the children who have worked hard on their own learning during the week.

Week 8 – Jacquelyn, Malakai, Clark, Harley, Liam, Sarah, Elyssa

Week 9 – Jacquelyn, Malakai, Clark, Harley, Liam, Sarah, Elyssa

Fantastic effort and work by you all, great attitude to your learning. You really are stars.



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From small seeds

Our children, who are all different, talented, special, everything they bring to school, their language, culture, and identity, what makes them unique

grow

We are doing to help each child research their full potential, realise their dreams and become the very best person they are meant to be

forest giants

Our children to leave our school, with our values, life long learning skills, and are positive contributors to our community and the world

Our Values

Respect

Kindness

Honesty

Our Learning dispositions are

Thinking critically

Take risks in learning

Set goals

Have resilience

We need everyone's support and help to make this real for the children at our school, we need to be their role models and show them how to be the best they can be.

BOT News:

- Prime Lamb Competition:

Thank you to everyone who came along and or supported this fundraising event for the school, this was a great success for the school with a record number of lambs being donated and a record number of companies sponsoring this event as well. 34 of the 39 lambs have already been sent off to AFFCO NZ with a total of **\$4,867.71** being paid for them. Thank you again for your wonderful support of this event. Please if at all possible support our sponsors, the list is included in the newsletter, during the year. Thank you again.

- Internet:

The internet is finally working correctly and the school can get back to normal with thanks to Yrless now becoming the school provider with the MOE blessing. Having finally realized what works in a town and 90% of the rest of New Zealand doesn't actually work for our school. We would like to apologise for any delays with the administration and management side of the school due to having very slow and weak or no internet at all for most of this term.

- Resources Policy:

This is available on the school notice board for review by the community. Please have any comments or suggestions handed to the school before the May BOT meeting. Thank you.

School News:

- Reporting to parents:

Next Friday, after assembly at 2.10pm, the children will be given their portfolios and written reports for the last six months of school. We will be having three way conferences in the first two weeks of the second term, so please keep an eye out for a school newsletter in the first week to pick the time that suits your family the best. The three way conference involves, the child, the parents, and the teacher. Where work that has been achieved and next steps are discussed.

- End of term:

The term has gone very quickly once again and we have only one more week of school before the April school holidays, which start after Friday 16 April. We wish everyone a great break and an enjoyable time over those two weeks. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 3 May with the Y7 and Y8 children going to Technology at The Catlins Area School.

- Term 2 - gymnastics:

We are starting the next term with gymnastics down at the Tahakopa Hall. We plan to have a gymnastic display for the community at the end of this time. The children will be working on floor skills, the beam and vaults off the box.



Children's Writing



The children have picked their own writing that they wish to share with everyone.

Car Ride

We are traveling down south in the car. Mum, Jax, Beau and Scott are in the car.

Jax

The Baboon

When I was walking in the bush I met a baboon and I gave it a banana. The baboon squished it. Then I gave it a bunch of bananas and it squished them to.

Beau

JED

OH yay I love it. I have a new dog. I got him from Clinton, it is a boy and its name is Jed. When I go to cross country I could take him back to visit his old owners. He is brown, black, tan and white. He is the best dog in the world for me.

Jacquelyn

CONIFERS



The conifers bark has been loosened
They also have tiny green cones on some of them
Some of them smell like sheep have been rubbing their wool on the bark.
Some of the conifers can heal from all those branches that have been snapped off.

Some conifer trunks can have some really old brown cocoons on their bark. They have really old and rattly bark on some of the evergreen conifers . The conifers that we have, have a very, very, very nice texture. The tree's bark has been roughened. Some conifers have leaves like needles. Some trees have bugs in them.

Malakia

The Isuzu Rodeo



The Rodeo is a truck that Dad bought in 2017. He used it for about a year and then his back started to play up so he sold it to Zack, my brother he is Dad's oldest kid. Zack thrashed that truck and now we gave him a trailer and he gave us back the truck. The frost plug came out so we fixed it. The truck was dented and worn down but we have slowly fixed it and now it has a warrant and rego.

But now we have taken the motor and gearbox out because the gearbox blew up. We have a parts truck that we took the gearbox out of and we are putting it back in. I want to do heaps of things for the rodeo but dad won't let me. We are now getting the truck ready to go to Te anau to pick up a mower and a wood laver. We will take the truck so everyone can come.

Liam

Conifer Trees

Conifer are evergreens. Evergreens are trees that don't lose all of their leaves in one season. Cones can have their own patterns. I say cones are cool. There are male and female cones. The male cone gets the pollen for the female. Leaves can have different shapes suitable for their climate. Leaves are like needles or shaped like fish scales on conifers. All of the the evergreen leaves are similar in shape. Some species of conifers are the oldest living things on the earth (3000-4000 years old).



Clark

Fresh Meat

In the weekend Dave and Daeshaan went into the bush camp in the Longwoods to get a stag. They went on Thursday then when they came back on Sunday with 3 bags of meat because Dad shot the stag but the stag was only a 6 pointer. It had a big body so we got a lot of meat out of the stag. Daeshaan got to have a shot at a stag as well but he missed. I think that was the last hunt for them for this year.

Harley

TREES

Trees have tall thick and chunky trunks. Some have droopy leaves and some of them stick high in the sky like they're trying to fly.

Trees have vibrant green leaves till it gets to Autumn then they go brown and fall everywhere .

Lots of Conifers are evergreens so they never lose their leaves .

They are hard and sturdy with faded green moss all over the tree.

Some have wrinkly bark and some have bark that peels like paper.



Elyssa

TREES

Tall, chunky, wrinkly trees. Some have bark peeling off them like they have been badly sunburnt.

Lot's of hiding spaces for little creatures.

Swaying from side to side in the strong winds.

The slightest breeze the leaves fall of them in the autumn days. Smells like fresh air.

Furry moss growing all over.

Some are tall and skinny.

Some are short and plump. The roots holding it in place.

Trees are awesome.



Sarah

Other

Our Hut



Next Service on Sunday 11 April, at 9.15am
Then on Sunday 25 April at 9.15am

Everyone welcome

Kia ora

Please collect bread tags - keeping them out of landfill and funding wheelchairs for those in need.

If you are already collecting like thousands of other kiwis, thank you so much! If this is news to you, please read on...

Bread Tags for Wheelchairs has been established in South Africa for the past 14 years, with the NZ arm launching in February this year. The organisation is 100% run by volunteers, and further information can be found via the links at the end of this email.

Nga mihi

Kelly Vollenhoven - Bread tags for wheelchairs NZ volunteer

Website (including a brief utube clip): <https://breadtagsforwheelchairs.co.za>

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/nzbreadtags/?modal=admin_todo_tour

School is currently still collecting these and to date we have: 1449 grams so far

Have a great break over the coming holidays

Stay safe and well

Relax and enjoy family and friends