

## Lake Rotoiti School News

Another two weeks disappeared and we are now racing towards the end of term. With a trip to Waitaria Bay School and a fossil hunt excursion to Murchison planned, the next two weeks will likely go just as quickly. And then it's off to school camp already!

First of all, a huge thank you to Kea Kai, past and present parents, and everyone in the community who helped at the Classic Boat and Power Boat weekends. Kea Kai raised plenty of money to enable all children to go on trips, camp and get skiing lessons. It is amazing to see so many people chip in and help out to make this happen. Thank you!

Last week we took the children to Nelson to see the Royal New Zealand Ballet at the Theater Royal. This was a treat for us, as we don't often go into town. They did a fantastic job with some short performances as well as plenty of information about what it takes to become a professional dancer.



## Coming up

**1st April** - Alpine Lodge Loop  
the Lake Race 2023 -  
[Nelsonevents.co.nz](http://Nelsonevents.co.nz)

**Thursday afternoons sailing** -  
Kerr Bay, east jetty -. Bring  
something for the BBQ.

**Photo credits:** Rotoiti, D.  
Bauer. Whiskey Falls (DOC).  
The eels, D. Bauer, Sabine Hut  
D. Bauer.

**Note:** regular notices about  
fitness related activities are  
listed in a separate box later in  
the newsletter.

This fortnightly newsletter is  
produced by a team of  
volunteer editors to keep our  
community connected. Please  
send your articles and  
happenings to  
[rotoitinews@gmail.com](mailto:rotoitinews@gmail.com). We  
also welcome local pictures  
from photographers of all  
ages! Thanks to Dana Bauer  
for her beautiful pictures this  
time.

Please send items for the next  
newsletter before Friday 31  
March.

## Kea Kai Catering Update

Kea Kai would like to extend a huge thank you out to the community. Although Sunday at the Classic Boats was a wash out, everyone's help over the two weekends allowed us to make a record profit which will go towards paying for school camp for all the children at school, ski lessons and other out and about trips the school arranges.

This would not have been possible if it weren't for the amazing community our school is in. With only 15 students in the school and 11 families we were really short on numbers to run the tent, so we put out a call for help and our call was answered. So thank you to our parents, principal, teacher, past parents and community members for joining us in the tent. Another big thanks goes out to the Rural Women who spent Thursday morning baking bacon & egg pies for us to sell and to Esther McIntosh who gets up early to make sandwiches, filled rolls and club sandwiches which sell like hotcakes. A thank you also goes out to the Alpine Lodge for buying our unused stock at the end of the weekend meaning a lot less wastage and items to return.

Our gratitude extends beyond the community to Mitre10 for donating mouse proof storage boxes to store our equipment, Pomeroy's for donating the coffee and Renwick Meat Market for supplying us with meat at cost.

Not only that but a huge thanks goes out to Ina & Paul, Andrea & Simon and Dominique who not only organised the events, collected groceries and supplies from town but also spent two full days on both weekends in the tent ensuring it ran like a well oiled machine.

So thank you for all your support and we'll see you next year.

Kea Kai



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## Church Notices

### Lake Rotoiti Chapel

Sundays 10.30am

Rotoiti Street, St Arnaud

Services are run by locals and are non-denominational. Everyone welcome.

Contact Ali/Sue 03 5211 110

### Rotoiti Hub

Sundays 10am

Local spirit-led Christian worship, equipping and encounter.

More details and enquiries:

Nigel /Sarah 027 4413776

or Kay 035211261 / 0273072820

### Rotoiti District Community Council

Next meeting 3 May 2023

If you would like to see the minutes of the last meeting (at which was discussed: EV chargers position in village, village weed control, speed restrictions and water safety at Kerr Bay) contact Sally Selwood or John Gully.



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# PLAYGROUP



Playgroup meets Tuesday mornings  
10am - 12pm at the community hall, all  
preschoolers welcome.

Many thanks to St Arnaud  
Rural Woman for your on  
going support

For any inquiries please contact  
Kirsten on 0220445829



# BE GET STAY

# ACTIVE



## Regular activities in and around St Arnaud

**"Circuit Breakers"** exercise group  
Monday, Wednesday, Fridays 10 am,  
Community Hall  
All welcome, gold coin donation  
Gael 027 280 4078

**Fit It Wednesdays** group exercise. Bring water,  
mat. Community Hall, Wednesdays ☺ 6-7pm. Lou  
0210414913

**Seido-Karate**  
Community Hall  
Tuesdays 6pm - kids & beginners  
Thursdays 6 pm – General Class  
Graeme 021 0859 4088. Gold coin donation

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- Articles: plain text submitted in MS Word format, or in the body of an email.
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Contact: [rotoitinews@gmail.com](mailto:rotoitinews@gmail.com)

# GROUP

# FITNESS

# FIT IT

# WEDNESDAYS



Come & connect, have fun, &  
sweat to contemporary beats  
& various styles of exercise.  
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Community Hall | 6-7 p.m. | Gold Coin Koha  
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