Lake Rotoiti Community News

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It has been an interesting time.

The entire Junior class, plus teacher, were off with Covid-19 almost simultaneously two weeks ago. This gave the Senior students the opportunity to discuss statistics: If 100% of a class is away and almost 50% of the school, is this serious? The seniors decided that this was a pretty dramatic statistic that ordinarily would hit the news. When you think about the raw numbers of 6 students across two classes – not so much. They have learnt to look at statistics with a critical eye. We hope that our local outbreak is over.

We have also had the opportunity to continue to work with the Outdoor Education Centre, taking the remaining students to abseiling. It's always great to challenge our personal boundaries.



Day month 2022

Monday & Wednesday Circuit Training &
Exercise Group @ 10 am
Community Hall - phone
Gael 0272805078

Tuesday - Play Group @ Community Hall 10 - 12 pm phone Kirsten 022 044 5829

Thursday - Pilates @ Community Hall 5 pm contact Lisa 021 202 4034

Tuesday & Thursday Seido-Karate @
Community Hall 6 -7 pm,
Contact Graeme 0210 859
4088 for more information

Sunday - Lake Rotoiti Chapel @ 10.30 am, Everyone welcome.

Thursday & Sunday -Rotoiti Hub @ 3 pm Phone Nigel and Sarah 0274 413 776 or Jane 0273 328 096

NEW: 23 April Loop the Lake -

https://www.nelsonevents.c o.nz/loopthelake or Abbe West 021 281 4560

NEW: 25 April ANZAC
Service @ Lake Rotoiti
Community Hall - details
to be advised.

Last week all of the children had a go at ballet. Occasionally it looked like aeroplane practice, but it was a lot of fun.

Miriam, Dominique and I took the opportunity to play an April Fool's Day prank. We'd like to think that we upstaged 2021 a bit. The Junior children were initially excited about making and decorating Brownies until they found that they were in fact making and decorating brown E's. The Seniors arrived at school to find that their Chrome book screens were all turned sideways. We capped it off by working with the Fire Brigade to set off a smoke generator under the school building. This prompted a practice fire callout. In reality it gave us the opportunity to have a serious evacuation under fairly realistic circumstances – something we had planned for last year but were unable to implement. I'd like to thank Wattie and the fire staff who were able to turn out for this drill.



Next week we are doing some Easter themed woodwork at school with Mitre 10. We are also preparing a display for ANZAC day as well as finishing off our science studies.

Our camp to Hanmer is drawing rapidly closer and the children are very excited about this too.

The Board continues to try to get the building work finished, but we are up against a significant funding shortfall. Hopefully some progress will occur in the next two months.

It is wonderful to report that we have progress on changing rooms and a small toilet block for the pool. Ken Robinson was approached and kindly agreed to provide plans for this project. Rotary have undertaken to fund and build off site as well and transport them to us. A huge thank you to Murray Leaning for his support with this. Once we have the appropriate consents, we will lay foundations and dig to create a sewer connection. It is possible that we will be calling for some help with this project very shortly. We hope to have this finished before winter arrives.

A reminder that the pool will be closed for the season from Friday 8 April. If you have a pool fob please return it to the school as soon as you are able.

Term 1 finishes on Thursday 14 April. We return on Monday 2 May.

Nga mihi, Mike.



Bookcase for sale \$20

1820mmH x 880W x 310D

Compressed fibre board with dark wood laminate, some scratches on base

Buyer to pick up. Tophouse Road.

Call Ewan 027-877-5034



Free!

Calf food buckets with lids, ideal storage as they're stackable- contact Jan 021 2155631 or 5311999"

Trips and Transfers Nelson Lakes and Beyond requires extra driver(s) on a Casual basis.

If you can say YES to the following then I would love to hear from you.

- Hold a P endorsement on your class 1 license.
- Are fully vaccinated.
- Enjoy driving and have a clean driving record.
- Love meeting people and having a chat.
- Embody Manaakitanga (hospitality) as a way of life.
- Have a flexible and outgoing personality.
- You live in the community or nearby.
- Want to earn some extra income on a casual basis or maybe something more permanent.

If the P endorsement is holding you back..let's talk anyway.

Phone Jennifer 03-5394896 evenings or email kiaora@tripsandtransfers.co.nz.

Gardener /handyperson needed.

Due to circumstances I am looking for help around the garden and outside of the house. In particular cleaning gutters, trimming back bushes and tidying up for winter. I can supply all the tools. Property located in the Howard Valley...

Please phone 03-5394896 or if no answer 022-6154915.

Gardener needed.

Autumn has arrived 🍂



I am looking for a strong, keen, hard-worker who has some gardening knowledge (even if it's not much $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$) to work to put my garden to bed for the winter.

To start with it would be 10 hours paid work with perhaps more to follow!

Please call me if you're interested!

Anna 021 0690067





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Sundays 10.30am. Lake Rotoiti Chapel, Rotoiti St, St. Arnaud.

Everyone welcome, services are nondenominational and run by locals. Contact Ali/Sue 035211110/ 0212660771

Thursdays and Sundays 3pm. Rotoiti Hub.

Holy Spirit led worship, encounter, revelation and ministry. Contact Nigel/



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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

Pilates

Community Hall on Thursdays at 5pm. Contact Lisa 021 202 4034

Seido-Karate

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

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