

South Westland Area School



6 October 2011

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Last week Chadd Martin won the Trust Power Youth Community Spirit Award. He received this at a presentation in Hokitika. Chadd received \$250 for himself and has selected the La Fontaine Enhancement Scheme to receive \$250. Well done Chadd we are very proud of you. It is very pleasing to see both Chadd and Reece (ASB Award) being recognised as excellent role models.

Last week Sonja de Koster was the flag bearer for the Italian team at the Rugby World Cup event in Dunedin. Well done Sonja. It was great to see the memorabilia she was given.

Jack Cornish has represented the students on the Board of Trustees for the last year and did an excellent job. Sonja de Koster has been voted in by the students to replace him for the 2011/12 year.

The Arts Festival at Franz Josef was excellent. Our students performed really well and enjoyed working with 'Rhythm Interactive' where all 120 students were given a bongo type drum. Thanks to Mrs Muir for organising this event.

A group of Yr 2-8 students (Joe Glancy, Sheyenne Clarkson, Megan Robertson, Logan, Ryan & Tamara Shaw, Jamie Garland, Chad Maisy, Zara & Jayden Wyatt, Kathy & Martina White and Ebony Russell) attended the cross country at Jacobs River on Tuesday. They all did extremely well with some outstanding results; Our first place winners – Logan, Jayden, Zara, Martina and Kathy. Our second place getters - Ebony, Sheyenne, Megan. Our third place getters - Tamara and Ryan. A big thank you to Theo, Sue, Clyde & Anita White and Zane Wyatt for coming down to support our students. Thanks Ms Burton for taking them to this.

We have a very busy first few weeks of term. Three visitors from the Education Review Office will be at school in the first week. Our annual Pet Day is being held on Thursday 27 October. Classes are getting themselves organised for this. Pets are being prepared and washed. Parents and community are more than welcome to attend for the day.

NCEA exams start on *10 November for Level 2 & 3* and *14 November for Level 1*. The last day for Yr 12/13 will be 9 November and for Year 11 – 11 November.

School starts for Term 4 on **Tuesday 25 October** (Monday is Labour Day). The last day for 2012 is Tuesday 13 December.

We are still missing quite a few senior tracksuits. These need to be in **tomorrow**. Please return your tracksuit to Ms Burton. .

Have a wonderful two weeks with your children and a safe happy holiday.

Angela Sloane
Principal

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