# TARRAS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



### Friday 23rd February 2024

## A note from the Principal:

#### Kia ora whānau,

We've had a very lovely fortnight! Tamariki and staff have been working incredibly hard to learn routines and systems, persevering with new learning and they've been trying their personal best - tūmeke team!

A huge thank you to all the whānau who attended Wānaka Challenge and helped out. We appreciate your support - Chrissy spoke of it being a lovely day with the tamariki making us all proud!

I attended a Structured Literacy conference for two days in Queenstown. It looked at the science of reading, the parts of the brain, how each part responds, and what we as educators need to do to teach tamariki how to read. I'll share more of this learning with you over the course of the year. You may have noticed tamariki haven't bought home reading books yet - we have currently been working on securing our sounds whilst I assess tamariki using the new system. Books should be coming home by the end of next week.

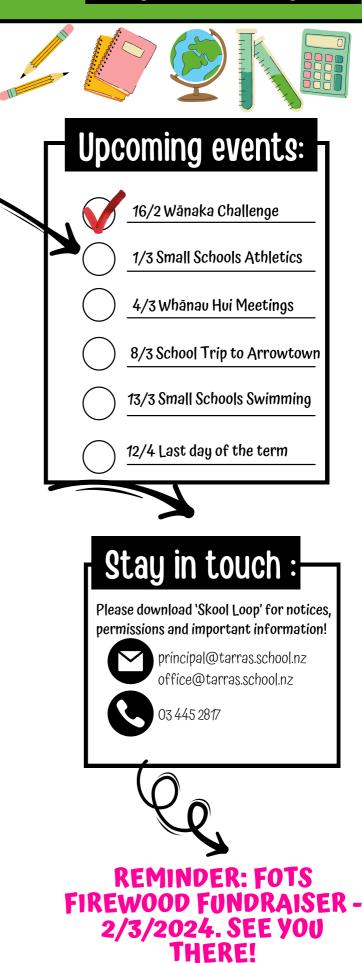
We have a few exciting trips coming up this term with a visit to Arrowtown for our Social Science to explore the History of Gold and the part water had to play. We will also begin our year long inquiry into 'Our Water; the Lindis' where our Science learning will be developed. Keep an eye on Skool Loop for more information - we'd love to have some parent help.

I look forward to meeting with you all for our 'Whānau Aspiration Hui' on the 4th of March!

Just a reminder, School Docs is where you can find all our policies and procedures. **Log In**: tarras **Password**: shrek

Ngā mihi nui, Alice









## FORTNIGHTLY COLLAGE





