

9 FEBRUARY 2025

# Strath Taieri School Newsletter

WEEK 2 TERM 1

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## Principal Tamaraki comment

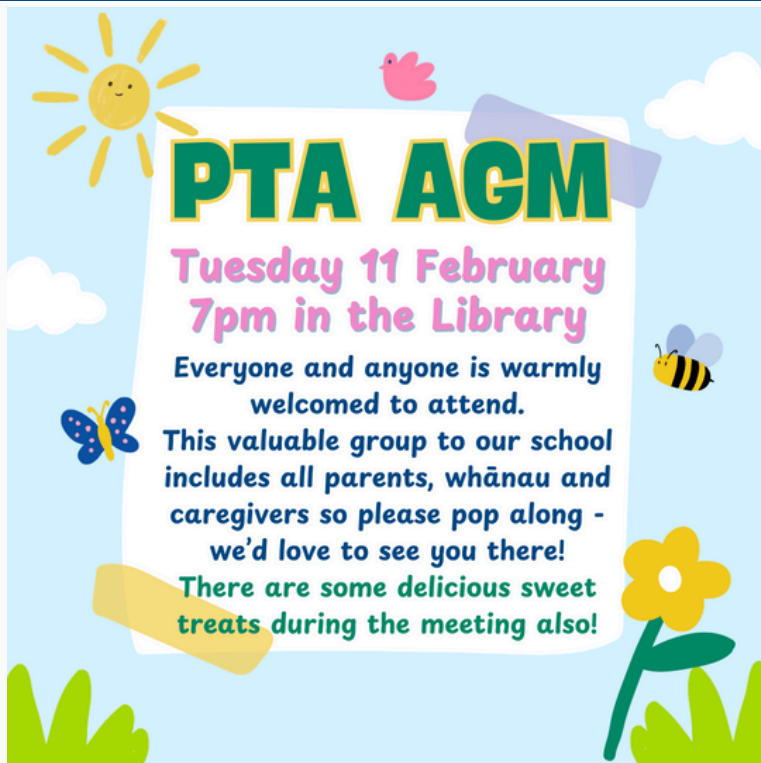
Kia ora parents and whānau,

It was fabulous to see all the kids back last week and lots of smiling faces! We have had a big push on being SunSmart this past week and the kids have been great at slipping on a top, slopping on some sunscreen, and even some R1 kids were seen sliding on some sunglasses! Great work kids!

There are some roadworks happening outside school on Swansea Street on Friday so please be aware that there may be a slight change in where it's safe to drop off/pick up your children on these days.

This week sees the power being cut to school on Thursday so we will work from the Hall from 10.30am onwards.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Lisa Bankshaw 🍷



**PTA ACM**  
**Tuesday 11 February**  
**7pm in the Library**  
Everyone and anyone is warmly welcomed to attend.  
This valuable group to our school includes all parents, whānau and caregivers so please pop along - we'd love to see you there!  
There are some delicious sweet treats during the meeting also!

## Power Outage



Due to a scheduled power cut on Thursday 13 February we will be relocating to work in the Hall from 10.30am on this day. Swimming lessons will still run that morning.



## SWIMMING!

Don't forget to bring togs, towel and goggles to school each day please!



## Stationary costs



Each child will have \$50 added to their families school account for Stationary for the 2025 year. There are still some outstanding balances on school accounts from 2024 which we would appreciate paid ASAP. Please see Lisa if you would like to discuss.



Tech at Taieri College for the Year 7/8s starts this Friday 14. Please meet the Tech bus at 7.45am at school. Hair tied back and covered in shoes please - no Crocs or sandals.

## Puketeraki Marae Stay

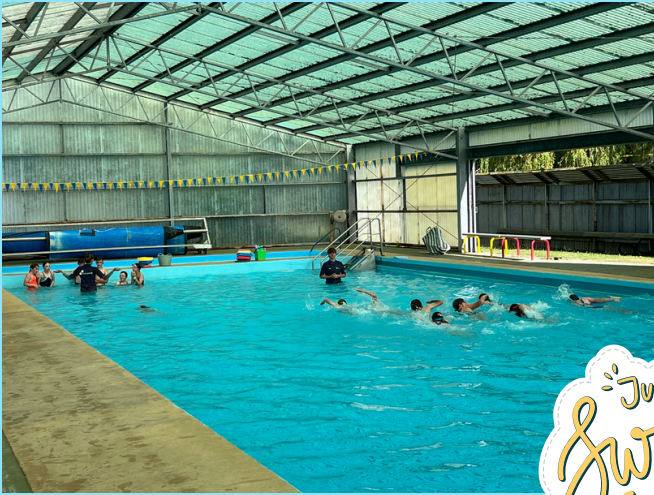
Can all families please fill out the Google Form for our trip to the marae at Karitane, regardless if you are attending or not.

[CLICK HERE](#)





Swimming lessons got underway last week and the Instructors, Meg, Hunter, and Chris were so impressed with our amazing pool facilities, as well as the confidence and skills of our kids in the water. Ka pai everyone!



## Year 5-8 Boys & Girls Multi Sport Days

**CLICK HERE** to sign your kids up to the Sport Otago organised fun days for Years 5-8 students. They are hosting two days - a boys and a girls day each - where representatives from Southern Football, Otago Cricket, Otago Rugby, and Otago Hockey will play some fun modified games and teach the kids some new skills.

Please fill out the form if your child/ren is interested. We will organise transport and more details closer to the time.

### GAME ON SPORTS FESTIVAL

BOYS HAVE A GO DAY

FRIDAY 14 MARCH  
LOGAN PARK  
9:30AM - 2:30PM

Game On! is all about boys getting stuck in, having fun, and giving new sports a go!

Whether you're picking up a football, cricket bat, hockey stick, or rugby ball for the first time or are already a keen player, this festival is designed for everyone.

With music, prizes, and local sporting heroes, Game On! is a chance to learn new skills, make new mates, and enjoy the best parts of sport—teamwork, creativity, and play!

No pressure, just plenty of action and excitement. Are you ready? Game On!

TRY IT. PLAY IT.  
LOVE IT!



### FERN FEVER SPORTS FESTIVAL

GIRLS HAVE A GO DAY

MONDAY 17 MARCH  
LOGAN PARK  
9:30AM - 2:30PM

Fern Fever is all about celebrating girls being active!

This action-packed festival gives Year 5-8 girls the chance to try football, cricket, hockey, and rugby in a fun, supportive, and inclusive environment.

With music, prizes, photo opportunities, and female sporting heroes, Fern Fever is about having a go, building confidence, and embracing the joy of sport!

No experience needed—just bring your energy and get ready to play!

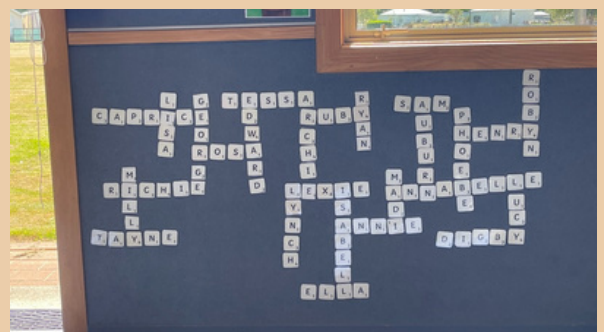
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# Room 5 News

★ And we are back!!!! It has been great to be back at school this week. A week of games, scrabble name puzzle, name art, guess the baby, literacy, history and swimming lessons. The Year 5's joined us on Friday which was very cool to welcome them and show them the ropes of Room 5. Have a great weekend everyone!



# Term 1 Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Term 1 Week 2	10	11 Mrs Becker at a Maths course. Mrs Glass R3. PTA AGM 7pm Swimming lessons 	12 Swimming lessons 	13 POWER OUT-School at Hall! Swimming lessons 	 14 Year 7/8 Tech starts
Term 1 Week 3	17	18 Board Meeting Swimming lessons 	19 Swimming lessons 	20 Swimming lessons 	 21 Life Ed. Bus 
Term 1 Week 4	24 Life Ed. Bus 	25	26	27	 28
Term 1 Week 5	3 MARCH	4	5	6 Puketeraki Marae stay 	7 Puketeraki Marae stay 



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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Term 1 Week 6	10	11 Swimming Sports 	12	13 Assembly: Room 5 2pm	14  Year 5-8 Boys Multi Sport day 
Term 1 Week 7	17  Year 5-8 Girls Multi Sport day 	18	19	20	21 
Term 1 Week 8	24 OTAGO ANNIVERSARY DAY 	25	26	27 TEACHER ONLY DAY MOE Maths course 	28 
Term 1 Week 9	31	1 APRIL	2	3	4  Assembly: RI 2.15pm
Term 1 Week 10	7 Mrs Becker away. Mrs Glass R3 Year 8 GRIP Leadership in Queensdown 	8 Mrs Becker away. Mrs Glass R3	9 Mrs Becker away. Mrs Glass R3 Mrs Bankshaw away	10 Mrs Bankshaw away	11  Mrs Bankshaw away